



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Third Sunday of Easter

18th April 2021, Year B, Psalter Week 3

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First Reading: Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 3:13-15.17-19

You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 4:2.4.7.9

R/. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

Second Reading: Reading from the first letter of St John. 1 Jn 2:1-5

He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

Gospel: Gospel according to Luke Lk 24:35-48

Do you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

Anniversary List

Please pray for Mona Hillen recently deceased and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Josie Cassidy, Harry Reid, Sarah Doyle, John and Mary McKay, Rev Ciaran Woods, Ross McMahon, Mary Lucinda Brennan, Sheila Wright, Bill Lowry, George Crisp, Brian Keating, and Tony Kennedy

May they rest in peace

Bulletin Notices

Bulletin Notices must be with the Parish Office by **12 noon on Thursday** to be included in the weekend bulletin. Thank you.

Sign up to our
Electronic
Mailing List
[Click HERE](#)

Parish Livestream / Webcam Link – To view our Masses

Online please click here to redirect to YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCECKga_N93kdxngxRJMuvUw



The Liturgy

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am & 12 noon

Weekday Mass

Monday: 7:00 pm

Tuesday: 9.30 am

Wednesday: 9.30 am

Thursday: 9.30 am

Friday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 12 noon

Confession

Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm

Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Baptisms

1 months' notice required

Please contact the Parish Office

Marriages

6 months' notice required.

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Restrictions and Guidelines for attending Mass in St Brigid's

- **Face Coverings** are mandatory when entering and exiting the church and should be worn throughout services.
- **The seating capacity of the Church is 200;**
- Observe social distancing and use the sanitizer at the Church Entrance;
- The Church doors are closed at one minute before Mass – the Church cannot be entered once Mass begins;
- Take a seat and remain there until the end of Mass; children must remain with their parents, and in the seat, at all times;
- Do not sit beside anyone who is not a member of your household;
- For those who wish to receive Holy Communion, remain in your seat and Holy Communion will be brought to you; Holy Communion is to be received in the hand;
- When leaving the Church follow the instructions and leave according to the indicated "One-way" system;
- Anyone with cold-like symptoms must not enter the Church;
- Those with underlying health issues are advised to remain at home;
- Toilet facilities are not available;
- Holidaymakers returning from other countries should not attend mass for two weeks.
- **From Monday 12th April** – Funerals and Weddings can increase to the current capacity of the Church (200 persons)

CHURCH NOTICE

With careful management and in accordance with Covid-19 regulations and guidance the maximum number of persons allowed in the Church at any one time has been increased to:

200

Singles or Couples

- **Please use the seats in the TWO CENTRE BAYS of the Church, or the occasional seating in the Church.**

Families (max of 6)

- **Please use the SIDE BAYS – left and right.**

Once capacity has been reached others coming to the Church will be welcomed but advised to remain outside.

PLEASE CO-OPERATE WITH THE STEWARDS

In Conversation with Sr Nathalie Becquart

Sr Nathalie Becquart will join **the Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB** live from Rome next **Wednesday, 21 April at 7pm**. Sr Natalie was appointed as undersecretary to the Synod of Bishops by Pope Francis earlier this year, becoming the first woman to hold this position in Church history. This online event is organised and facilitated by **Blest, Chaplaincy's new group for women students**. Everyone is welcome to join the student-led conversation. [Zoom ID: 89575216842](#) [Passcode: Synod21](#)

Parish Offertory Envelopes

Parish Offertory Envelopes are being prepared for distribution. If you are a new resident in St Brigid's, or have not been receiving a box and wish to, please contact the Parish Office, alternatively you can set up a Standing Order for contributions instead of using envelopes. A Standing Order form can be requested from the parish office.

Thank you to all those you have already opted to set up a Standing Order this year!

If you have moved house within the last year, please make sure you have advised the office to update your details even if you are not receiving offertory envelopes. Thank you.

Syria Lenten Appeal

Our **Lenten Appeal** has raised the extraordinary sum of **£32,000**, which will go a long way to support the work of **Fr Fouad Nakhla SJ and the Jesuit Refugee Service** with young people in Syria. Thank you sincerely to all who contributed prizes, bought raffle tickets and made donations. You have been incredibly generous. Congratulations to our prizewinners:

Patrick Waters *Macbook*

Denise Lynch *Apple Watch*

Pauline McCann *Fortnum & Mason Grosvenor Hamper*

Nuala O'Loan *Fortnum & Mason Wine Hamper*

Marion Gunn *Luxury Cosmetics Hamper*

Jacqueline McCarthy *Limited Edition Colin Davidson Print*

Jeanette Diamond *Wine Hamper*

Colette McCormick *£100 M&S Voucher*

Ronan McCarry *Designer Sunglasses*

Maurice Fitzgerald *M&S Wine Hamper*

QUB Catholic Chaplaincy Reopens

The Catholic Chaplaincy at QUB reopens after Easter break this **Sunday, 18 April for Mass at 8pm. Mass will be open to the public** and livestreamed from qubcatholic.org/live for those unable to attend in person. Chaplaincy's facilities will be available to students and staff from **Monday 19 April**. Our usual opening hours and liturgy schedule resume from then.

Mass times during semester:

Sunday: 8.00 pm (with Choir)
Monday: 8.15 am
Tuesday: 5.15 pm
Wednesday: 8.15 am
Thursday: 5.15 pm
Friday: 8.15 am

For more information visit qubcatholic.org Note also our Food Bar, Mosaic Cafe, continues to operate a weekday takeaway service. Pop by for some great coffee, hot food and baked treats.

Parish Collections January - April

Weekly Collections

10th January: £3102.49
 17th January: £1409.00
 24th January: £4014.00
 31st January: £1462.40
 7th February: £4717.99
 14th February: £1369.00
 21st February: £3898.00
 28th February: £1592.40
 7th March: £4919.99
 14th March: £3841.00
 21st March: £1264.00
 28th March: £7303.40
 4th April: £6100.99

Monthly Collections

February 2021: £2503.00
 March 2021: £3807.00
 April 2021: £5088.00

Diocesan Collections

Living Youth (January): £1308.50
 Sick & Retired Priests (Feb): £1849.50
 Needy Parishes (March): £2603.50

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Welcome to St Brigid's Children's Liturgy Corner!



My name is _____

I'M ALIVE!

Jesus' friends are very happy to see him! Follow the happy faces from top to bottom!

Jesus shows his disciples he really has risen from the dead! The disciples think that they are seeing a ghost, but Jesus says they can touch him and asks them for something to eat. The disciples give him a piece of fish. Jesus says that everything that has happened to him was written about in the scriptures.

Jesus' message
 Start with **P** and use every other letter to find Jesus' hidden message.

ICHTHUS

An acronym is when the first letter in every line spells a word. **ICHTHUS** is the Greek word for fish. It is made up from **five** titles for Jesus.

Find Jesus' titles:
**JESUS CHRIST SON
 GOD LORD SAVIOUR**

S	A	V	I	O	U	R
O	C	R	X	G	L	D
N	J	S	L	E	J	S
E	V	G	O	N	E	K
L	C	H	R	I	S	T
W	N	E	D	C	U	O
G	O	D	R	L	S	V

Make an acronym of your name on the back of this sheet.



Now start at the end with **I** and go backwards to find something else Jesus says.

A Christian fish

The **ICHTHUS** was a secret Christian code. If someone completed a half drawn fish, it showed they were a Christian. Finish this fish and fill it with a drawing of you sharing Jesus' love and peace this week.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for choosing me to be your friend. Help me to share your love and peace with everyone I meet. Amen.

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You can also find the A4 Printable Worksheets on our Parish Website (select Parish Groups & click [Children's Liturgy](#)) and our [Facebook Page](#). Please enjoy and have lots of fun completing these with your children each week!

Answers: "Peace be with you" and "I am sending you".