



Parish of St. Bernadette

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Mass Times Sunday

10a.m. with the Adult Choir.
12p.m. Children's Liturgy for P2 - P5.

Weekdays

9.30a.m. except on Tuesday.

Tuesday

7.30p.m. (with Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help)

Saturday

6.00p.m. Vigil Mass with the Folk Choir every second Week.

Holy Days of Obligation

10a.m.
Other Mass times may vary and will be published in the Parish Bulletin and on the church notice boards, and Parish website.

Confessions Saturday

6.45p.m. after the Vigil Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday from **9a.m.** to **7.15p.m.**

Baptisms

On the first Sunday of each month. By appointment only four weeks in advance.

Notices for the Parish Bulletin should be sent by **e-mail only** to: info@stbernadettesparish.org

First Reading (Isaiah 6:1-8) In the presence of God's glory, Isaiah feels sinful, unclean. But once he has experienced forgiveness, Isaiah is ready and willing to be God's messenger, willing to accept his calling as a prophet.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 15:1-11) Paul urges the Corinthians to be steadfast in believing the gospel he has preached to them. There will always be temptations to turn to right or to left, but we are called to perseverance in the truth.

Gospel (Luke 5:1-11) At the heart of this Gospel reading are St. Peter's wonderful words. He is tired and despondent, yet he says to the Lord: 'If you say so....' ©Intercom



Reflection

Sharing and educating in faith is bringing Christ to life. The teachers and chaplains, priests, religious, Parish personnel, all educators in faith are in partnership with the Lord Jesus. All sincere faith knowledge leads to love of God and each other. Conversion is being in love with God and his creation, with each and with everyone. We want to be in a state of love. Only the one who can love can know God, for God is love. That's the challenge to all of us in passing on the faith as best we can to another generation. We pass on our faith in love. It's not just a catechism but the conviction, belief and joy that Christ is alive. To us Christ would say there will always be fish to be caught and people to be served, the generous gift of God. To us he says there is always love, also the generous gift of God, **Lord, help me to find you in all things, and then we can do all for your greater glory.** © Donal Neary S.J.



Confirmation

Bishop Noel Treanor, will preside at the Sacrament of Confirmation for the P7 boys & girls of **St. Bernard's P.S.** and **Loughview Integrated P.S.** on **Monday** at **4p.m.** Please remember the children in your prayers on the occasion of this important milestone in their young faith lives.



Pray for Vocations

Please make a personal commitment to pray each day, for vocations to the priesthood, especially for those young men currently preparing for the priesthood, and for those already ministering as priests in our Diocese. Remember also in your prayers those priests who are ill or in any difficulty.

Our Faithful Departed



Anniversaries

Peter, Leo, & Mary McQuillan, Patrick T. Ryan, Sarah Reavey, Hilary Leyden, Danny McKay, Nell Gilmore, James McGarrigle.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

Names for inclusion in the weekly Anniversary List of the Dead should be submitted at least one week in advance to: info@stbernadettesparish.org

Calendar of Feasts



On Monday, we celebrate the feast of **Our Lady of Lourdes**. It is also the **World Day of Prayer for the Sick** when people around the world take the time to pray for the sick and for those who work very hard to alleviate the sufferings of the sick. The theme this year is: **"You received without payment; give without payment"** (Mt 10:8). Pope Francis said: **"Caring for the sick requires professionalism, tenderness, straightforward and simple gestures freely given, like a caress that makes others feel loved"**. Lets us remember all those who are sick and suffering today. Pray also especially for those who strive daily to care for them. On Monday, there will be a candlelight **Rosary Procession to the Grotto**, at **St. Mary's Church**, Chapel Lane at **8p.m.**, to pray for the sick. The procession starts at the same time as the torchlight procession to the Grotto in Lourdes. Procession candles available from 7.45pm.

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues on **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **9a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** New volunteers are needed to attend throughout the day so that someone is always present before the Blessed Sacrament. Why not drop in for a few minutes of quiet reflection, away from the rush of daily life, say a silent prayer for your own personal intentions or for those who need you to pray for them, or just sit and rest in the very presence of the **Lord?**

Lord, you gave me the night to rest in sleep. In my waking hours may I not forget your goodness to me. Guide me to share your blessings with others.



Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,342**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

Have you recently moved into St. Bernadette's Parish? You can assist the Parish considerably by taking **Offertory Envelopes** and if you pay tax, the Parish will receive a payment from the Inland Revenue at **no extra cost** to yourself if you sign a **Gift Aid Form**. Just call into the Sacristy after Mass and leave your name and contact details. Please give us your support.



Retirement Association

Wednesday 13th. February - Monthly Coffee Morning in the Lounge in the Parish Centre at 10.15a.m.

Meet other members & make new friends!

Thursday 14th. February - Weekly Walk. Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

Friday 15th. February - Ten Pin Bowling at the Ice Bowl, Dundonald from 10.30 - 11.30a.m. £2 per game.

Wednesday 20th. February - N.I. Opera & the Lyric Theatre present "Sweeney Todd, The Demon Barber of Fleet Street" at 7.45p.m. Tickets £10. To book a ticket, please contact Anne Tel. 9064 3031.

Wednesday 27th. February - Monthly Lunch in the Fairy Tree, Ormeau Club at 1p.m. For bookings, please contact Geraldine Tel. 9070 1207 or Mary Tel. 9070 1112 no later than 19th. February.

Tuesday 19th. - Thursday 21st. March - Our annual trip to Malahide. Cost €187 p.p.s bed & breakfast basis for two nights (including dinner on Tuesday). Single room occupancy €262. For Bookings, please contact Geraldine Tel. 078459 33371.

Wednesday 27th. March - "The Sound of Music" with St. Agnes Choral Society in the Grand Opera House at 7.30p.m. Limited tickets: £31 each. Contact Anne Tel. 9064 3031 as soon as possible. Early booking is essential.



Parish Centre News

For information & bookings: Tel. 9040 1169 or call in and speak to Paul on weekdays from 9a.m. to 1p.m.

Monday

10.15a.m. Drop in for tea/coffee & a chat after Mass.

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.

7.30p.m. - 8.30p.m. Pilates Class.

8p.m. Indoor Bowling Club.

8.30p.m. - 9.30p.m. Pilates Class.

Tuesday

7p.m. - 8p.m. Zumba Class.

Wednesday

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.

8p.m. - 9.15p.m. Yoga Class.

8p.m. Taekwondo.

Friday

9.30a.m. - 10.30a.m. Pilates Class.

7p.m. Youth Club. Registered members only!

Saturday

10a.m. Taekwondo.

1.30p.m. Junior Badminton.

Rosetta 2-4 After School Club

From Monday - Friday for P1 - P7 children from 2p.m. - 4p.m. Contact Sinead Tel. 07816 779910.

Ministers of the Eucharist



February - Group 4.

Team Leader - Anne Sharvin.

Ministers of the Word



Sunday 17th. February.

Group 8.

500 Club



Congratulations to the lucky winners in the Weekly Draw. **Week 21: Celine Bradley & Brenda Crilly.**

Each receives £50

We offer a confidential, non-judgemental service to vulnerable individuals and families who are in great need. We can provide direct financial assistance and essential items such as food, fuel, and household items. Do you need our help? Tel. 9035 1561

Latest News



Vocations



Why not take time to explore and reflect on becoming a priest. Join us at the **Vocations Weekend in Drumalis Retreat Centre, Larne from Friday 15th. to Sunday 17th. February.** "Ask Jesus what he wants from you and be brave!" (Pope Francis). If you wish to attend or would like further information please contact: **Fr. Kevin** Tel: 9061 4567; Email: vocations@downandconnor.org

Women's Group



The ladies of St. Bernadette's are invited to a **Visitors' Night in St. John's Presbyterian Church Hall** on Knockbreda Road on **Monday 11th. February** at 7.30p.m. The guest speaker will be **Deane Houston MBE**, former CEO of the Blind Centre. If you would like to attend, please contact **Marie** Tel. 9079 2226 for catering purposes.

Diocesan Pilgrimages



The **Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** will take place from **July 9th. - 16th.** Prices per person sharing:

5 nights - July 10th. - 15th. £650.

7 nights - July 9th. - 16th. £725.

Youth Team July 7th. - 16th. £590 (age 16 - 25).

Full board for sick & infirm pilgrims with medical & nursing care in Accueil Notre Dame: **5 nights - July 10th. - 15th. £550.** All flights from Belfast International. Further information for sick and infirm pilgrims from the **Pilgrimage Office** Tel. 9077 0162 or contact us by email to: dcpilgrimage@gmail.com. A limited number of application forms are available from the Sacristy.

NURSES! We need volunteers to join our nursing team to care for our pilgrims who will stay at the Accueil Notre Dame from 10th.-15th. July. Registered nurses active on the NMC live register & newly registered nurses are welcome. For more information, please send your contact details to: lourdes@downandconnor.org

What's On!



February 10th. Bingo in Holy Rosary Community Centre at 6.45p.m. Organised by members of Rosario YFC & Bredagh GAC. Proceeds will go to the Community Centre Building Fund. Light refreshments available.