



# 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 8a.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](mailto:info@stbernadettesparish.org)

**First Reading (Wisdom 6:12-16)** The ancient writer tells us how bright a gift wisdom is and how God wishes to impart it. We are reminded that those who love readily come to see wisdom. Desiring wisdom is the first step for those who are searching and opens the door to make it known.

**Second Reading (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)** The early Christian community have a certain hope. The death and resurrection of Jesus is the insight into the promise of everlasting life. What they came to believe in is what we still have as our hope today.

**Gospel Reading (Matthew 25:1-13)** Jesus tells a story to urge us to be wise. The wisdom we need is to be always ready. We do not know the day, or the hour. Let every day find us dressed for action and with oil lamps that have oil to spare. © Intercom

## † A Prayer for November

Grant, O Lord, that my own heart may be touched, as yours is, at the passing of all souls into eternal life. In great confidence, I pray for all my friends and loved ones who are no longer here on this journey of faith. When I am sad at the death of those who were close to me, may my sadness be firmly supported by my faith that life is merely changed not ended, that those I love are still with me though unseen. May You, Lord Jesus Christ, welcome me and all those for whom I pray, into eternal life at the moment pleasing to you. Amen.

## †† Habemus Choir

**Habemus**, a Dublin based chamber choir, are excited to return to St. Bernadette's next weekend. We will perform at all of the Masses, enriching the liturgy. We will also perform a short 35 minute recital immediately after the Saturday Vigil Mass with our own arrangements of popular Irish music such as Fields of Athenry and Parting Glass. The choir welcome all participation with the music over the weekend. CDs will be available after the Masses and the recital for those interested at discounted prices of £10.



## Eucharistic Adoration

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place each **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **8a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** New adorers are needed to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is always attended throughout the day. Drop in for a few minutes of quiet reflection, away from the strain of daily life, and just say a simple prayer?

## Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the repose of the soul of relatives of Parishioners: **Gerard Wilson R.I.P.** whose funeral took place in the Good Shepherd Church on Wednesday, and for **Joan Keating R.I.P.**, formerly of Knockbreda Park, whose funeral took place in Ballycastle on Thursday.

## Anniversaries

Mary Jane McAuley, William Harper, Pat King, John Riordan, Catherine Bradley, Mary Flynn, Peter & Norah Melly, Maureen McMahon, Mary Sweeney, Francis Kerr, Bridget Magee, Margaret Collins, Anne Marie Mossey, Mary Teresa Smith, James Magoran, Ena Rainey.

Michael Bradley, James Duffy, Elizabeth Butler, Maurice Burns, Sarah Maxwell, Anthony Kelly, Sarah McCartan, Gerard O'Kane, Pat Murtagh, Margaret Clements, Mary V. Kearney, William Shepherd, John Riordan.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

The **Annual Mass for our Deceased Parishioners and Friends of the Parish** will be celebrated on **Tuesday 14th. November at 7.30p.m.** This is an occasion for everyone to pray for their own deceased relatives and friends, as well as for those Parishioners who prayed with us over the years in the celebration of the liturgy in St. Bernadette's.

Parishioners who have died since last November will be especially remembered. Members of their families will place a lighted candle at the memorial in the sanctuary in remembrance of them.

The **Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group** will host refreshments after Mass. The Group offers listening and support to anyone who has been Bereaved in the Parish. If you would like to speak to Group members, please Tel. **077 3377 3758**.

**November Pious Lists of the Deceased** are available in the Lourdes Chapel Porch. Please put completed lists into the wall box beside Our Lady's Shrine.



## Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,863**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

**Team 6** will help with the collection this week.



## Retirement Association

**Thursday 16th. November** - Weekly Walk at 10.15a.m.

**Wednesday 29th. November** - Monthly Lunch in the **Parador** at 1p.m. To book, please contact **Geraldine** Tel. 078459 33371



**Bredagh Does Strictly 2** on **Saturday 2nd. December** in the **Whitla Hall** at Q.U.B. 30 volunteers from the Club & local community are currently in rehearsals to present a great evening of fun & entertainment. Get your tickets now Tel. 075521 64004



## Living Youth

Are you 17-25? Why not join us on our **Pilgrimage to Taize & Paris** from **29th. July to 8th. August 2018**. £799 - includes flights, transfers, accommodation, half board, t-shirts and half zip. Lots of fundraising ideas and opportunities available. £100 deposit required. The closing date is **Thursday 16th. November** for your completed application form and deposit. For more info email: [info@livingyouthni.org](mailto:info@livingyouthni.org)

**Oasis Day of Prayer & Reflection for Married Couples** in **St. Mary's-On-The Hill Pastoral Centre, 165 Antrim Road**, on **Saturday 25th. November** from **10a.m.-3p.m.** Reflect on your marriage in a relaxed and prayerful atmosphere. Cost: £20 per couple (bring packed lunch & tea/coffee available). Hosted by **Accord N.I.** in preparation for the World Meeting of Families 2018. Contact **Brenda** Tel. 9023 3002.



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

### Wednesday

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.  
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



Group Leader for **November** - **Maura Presley**.

### Mass Rota

**6p.m.** M. Presley, R. McConvey, C. White.  
**10a.m.** G. Goodall, M. McIvor.  
**12p.m.** J. Lyons, E. Dolan, J. McGarvey, G. Malone.

## Ministers of the Word



**Sunday 19th. November** - Group 9  
**Mollie Hayes, Valerie O'Brien, Brian O'Rourke.**

The new rota for Ministers of the Word will be published soon. Some of our readers have retired. We thank them for their dedication over many years. New people are needed to read at weekend Masses especially young people. If you would like to volunteer, please leave your name and contact details in the Sacristy.

## 500 Club



**Week 8:** Congratulations to the lucky winners in the **Weekly Draw: Liz Mahoney & Michael McGarrigle.** Each winner receives £50.

**Christmas Cards** will be on sale in the Lourdes Chapel Porch from next weekend after all of the Masses. The price is £3 per pack of 10 cards.

Latest News



The **Christmas Lunch for Senior Citizens** will be held in the **Ivanhoe Hotel** on **Wednesday 6th. December** at **12.45p.m.** If you wish to attend, please put your name and number on the list in the Sacristy or telephone **Frances 07800 562398. Names must be in by Tuesday 28th. November at the latest.**

## What's On!



**November 13th. Annual Mass for Deceased Past Pupils and Staff of St Malachy's College** will be celebrated at **7.30p.m.** in the College Chapel. Family and friends most welcome.

**November 15th. Annual Mass for Deceased Pioneers** will be celebrated in **Good Shepherd Church** at **7.30p.m.** Everyone welcome!

**November 16th. Eucharistic Prayer Vigil for Vocations to the Priesthood, the Permanent Diaconate and Religious Life** in **Drumbo** from **7p.m. - 10p.m.**

**November 24th. Special Mass of Remembrance**, for all those with a disability or special needs who have died, in **St. Paul's Church, Falls Road** at **7.30p.m.** followed by refreshments immediately afterwards in the **Fr. O'Kane Centre**. If you would like a friend or a family member remembered in this Mass, please contact **Bernadette** Tel. 9028 5374, **Frances** Tel. 0771 8914692, **Mary** Tel. 9442 3956 or [stpaulsdisabilitycaregroup@hotmail.com](mailto:stpaulsdisabilitycaregroup@hotmail.com)

**December 1st. Open Arts Community Choir by Candlelight** in **St. Peter's Cathedral** at **7:30p.m.** You are invited to enjoy an evening of festive songs. Guest appearances from **Donal Scullion, Bronagh Broderick, Ballyclare Victoria Flute Band & Jonny Mc Geown.** Adm. £10. Contact **Breege** Tel. 075235 68500 or [www.getimvited.to/openartsni/open-arts-community-choir-by-candlelight/](http://www.getimvited.to/openartsni/open-arts-community-choir-by-candlelight/).