



# 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 (Daniel 12:1-13)** The book of Daniel belongs to the genre of apocalyptic, a kind of literature that arose during a time when devout people felt alienated from the world and its power. They found encouragement in the conviction that no matter what conflicts arose, God was in command and his victory was assured.

**Second Reading (Hebrews 10:11-14,18)** Christ, who was sacrificed, also offered a sacrifice. Christ the victim is Christ the priest. But having been victim and priest, the Lord now sits in victory and in judgment over his enemies. Whatever struggles God's people may face in this life, we take confidence in the Lord's victory over every suffering and evil. This is a victory in which we hope to share.

**Gospel Reading (Mark 13:24-32)** Like the Book of Daniel, this passage from Mark's Gospel belongs to the genre of apocalyptic. It can remind us of two realities: God's people will not be spared the sufferings that come upon the world; God's people are assured of the final victory of God and his goodness. The Lord makes it clear, however, that the timing of all these things lies in God's providence, and that we should not trouble ourselves with times and dates. ©Intercom



## Reflection

No one, says Jesus, not even he himself knows when the end will come. It is not for us to worry about that. Worrying will not help. On the other hand, we should not play a kind of Russian roulette with life and keep putting off the day of our conversion to God. The only way is to live today and every day in his love and service. It is the present which determines the future: so let's just concentrate on the here and now. ©1999- 2018 Living Space



## Living Youth

**Advent – What Is It Really About?** SE Belfast CYM would like to invite any Parishioners who are in Year 10 or above to an Advent Programme being held in **Holy Rosary Parish Centre** on Wednesday 5th., 12th., & on the 19th. December at 4p.m. We will explore Advent, spending time together, and having a bit of fun. We hope to see as many of you there as possible! Please register at: <https://goo.gl/forms/kBaiytqLiAtcjTWm1>



## Eucharistic Adoration

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place each **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **9a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** New volunteers are needed to attend between 4p.m. and 6p.m. so that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended at any time. Why not drop in for a few minutes of quiet reflection, away from the rush of daily life, and say a silent prayer or just sit and rest in the very presence of the Lord?

## Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of:  
**Eileen Adams R.I.P.**, of Castlemore Park, whose funeral took place on Saturday,  
**Brian Roberts R.I.P.**, of Knockbreda Park, who died in England.

## Anniversaries

Pat Murtagh, Anthony Kelly, Mary Ann Murray, Mary Ann McElkerney, Teresa Quorall, Sr. Theresa Mossey C.P., Anna Heaney, Eileen Hanratty, Laurence Glennon, Ann Milner, Catherine McGrory, Charlie Bradley, Alice O'Hara.

Lieya Blanca Betono, Pat McElkerney, Kathleen McCormick, Desmond Brown, William McEvoy, Mary Clare Woods, Teresa Burns, John Watson.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

**From the First Sunday of Advent, 2nd. December, names for inclusion in the weekly Anniversary List of the Dead should be left in the Sacristy one week before publication or submitted by e-mail to: [info@stbernadettesparish.org](mailto:info@stbernadettesparish.org)**

**November Lists of the Deceased** are available at the back of the church. Please put completed lists into the wall box beside Our Lady's Shrine or in the collection baskets. The names of the dead will be placed on the altar and will be remembered at each of the Masses during the month.

The **Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners** and **Friends of the Parish** will be celebrated on **Tuesday** at **7.30p.m.** The **Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group** will be present and will host refreshments after Mass. If you feel the need to speak to someone confidentially and would like to make contact directly, please Tel. **077 3377 3758.**



## Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,417**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

The annual collection for the **Bishops' Commissions** takes place this weekend. Your contributions will help the Irish Catholic Bishops Conference to fulfill its tasks within the mission of the Church. The key areas are: justice and social affairs, planning and communications, Catholic education and formation for clerical students and religious.

We need more volunteers to help process the weekly Offertory Envelope collections. If you have previous cash handling experience, please leave your name and contact details in the Sacristy.



## Retirement Association

**Thursday 22nd. November - Weekly Walk.** Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

**Friday 23rd. November - Ten Pin Bowling** at the **Ice Bowl, Dundonald** from 10.30 - 11.30a.m. Concession rate £2 per game. Contact **Seamus** Tel. 077672 71019

**Wednesday 28th. November - Monthly Lunch** in the **Parador** at 1p.m. Two courses £17. For bookings, please contact **Mary** Tel. 9070 1112 or **Geraldine** Tel. 078459 33371 as soon as possible.

## ✚ Youth Alpha

If you are aged 16-19! Join us at the Youth Alpha course. From **18th. November - December 9th.** we meet in **St. Joseph's Parish Centre** from 7p.m. until 9p.m. The course is **free!** You can still join in even if you have missed out on the past few weeks! For more information, please e-mail your interest to: **s.farrell@Ddownandconnor.org** Find out more: <https://alpha.org/alpha-youth-series/>



## Parish Centre News

For information & bookings: Tel. **9079 3023 Option 3** or e-mail: **parishcentre@stbernadettesparish.org**

### 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. Zumba Classes.

### Wednesday

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.  
7p.m. - 8p.m. Active Yoga advanced.  
8.15p.m. - 9.30p.m. Relaxation Yoga.  
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



November - Group 1.

Team Leader - **Maura Presley**.

## Ministers of the Word



Sunday 25th. November

Group 7.

The new rota for 2018/2019 is now ready for collection from the Sacristy.

## 500 Club



**Week 9:** Congratulations to the lucky winners in the **Weekly Draw: Siobhan Kilgannon & Margaret Coomber.** Each winner 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



Our **Christmas Lunch for Senior Citizens** will be held in the **Ivanhoe Hotel** on **Wednesday 12th. December** at **12.30p.m.** If you wish to attend please put your name, number and menu choice on the list at the back of the church or contact **Frances** Tel. 078005 62398. *Names must be in by Sunday 2nd December.*

**S.V.P. Christmas Cards** will be on sale in the **Lourdes Chapel Porch** from this weekend after all of the Masses.

## St. Bernard's P.T.A.



Our **CHRISTMAS FAIR** will be held on **Sunday 9th. December** from **10.30a.m. to 2p.m.** in the **Parish Centre.** **SANTA** will be there to meet all of the children!

## Living Church



If you are interested in being part of a new **Mission Council** in the Diocese to promote and foster mission awareness at home and overseas, please come along and join us for a meeting on **Wednesday 28th November** at **7p.m.** in the **Good Shepherd Centre**, 511 Ormeau Road. All are welcome. For further information please contact **Fr. Conor McGrath** Tel. 9081 2238 or email: **c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org**

## What's On!



**November 19th. to 25th. Alcohol Awareness Week** to encourage more people living with problem drinkers to find their local **Al-Anon** meetings which run weekly throughout N. I. Contact us on **9068 2368** for a list of your nearest meeting or **National Helpline 020740 30888**. Email for more information: **alanon@btconnect.com** or visit: **www.alanonuk.org**

**December 4th. Carols at Christmas** in the **Ulster Hall** at **7p.m.** Proceeds in aid of the **Alzheimers Society** to end dementia. Tel. **9033 4455** or **www.ulsterhall.co.uk**

**December 7th. Knock All Night Vigil** from **Clonard** at **3p.m.** Cost £45 includes dinner & breakfast. Vigil starts at 11p.m. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Benediction and Mass at 4a.m. To book, please contact **Brendan** Tel. **9066 5211** between 9a.m. & 5p.m. from Monday to Friday.