



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

First Reading (Isaiah 49:1-6) Here we find the second song of God's servant. The people who are speaking in these verses are the Judean exiles in Babylon. This is not a lamentation but rather a thanksgiving to God who has chosen them, in a very special way, for a unique mission. From that moment on, the dream of a final gathering of the whole people of God enters the Bible. Later the gospel will announce that this goal will be achieved in and through Jesus Christ.

Second Reading (Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26) This passage highlights the importance of two biblical figures, David and John the Baptist. The most important point the author of Acts wants to make is that it was David who established the royal dynasty from which came the Messiah. When the appointed time came God continued to prepare the world for the coming of the Messiah, through the preaching of John the Baptist.

Gospel Reading (Luke 1:57-66, 80) "What will this child become?" The Baptist was to become a herald pointing the way to Jesus. In our turn we are also called to point people towards a better way of life. Recall times when you were able to point somebody in a direction that helped. Give thanks for those who have done the same for you. ©Intercom

Sacred Heart Missionaries

Fr. Ruben Padilla m.c.c.j., a member of the congregation of the **Comboni Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**, will speak about the work of the Congregation at all of the Masses this weekend. Founded in Verona in 1867 by St. Daniel Comboni, there are 1,600 Priests, Brothers, and Lay Comboni Missionaries serving in 42 countries worldwide, engaged in the work of evangelisation, health, justice & peace, refugees, education, and respect for Creation.



St. Bernard's P.S.

Mass will be celebrated on **Wednesday** at **9.30a.m.** for the children of the **P7** classes who will be moving to their new schools in September. We pray for them as they leave St. Bernard's and move forward to the next stage of their education. Parents, grandparents, guardians, families, and the wider Parish community are invited to join us for this very special celebration.



Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **8a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** Adoration will not take place during July & August. We will resume on **Tuesday 4th. September.**

Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Hugh Trainor R.I.P.**, formerly of Beechgrove Gardens, whose funeral took place on Friday.

Anniversaries

James Hughes, Colm Kearney, Dennis McCourt, Kathleen O'Reilly, Beryl McGettrick, Susan Jones, Rosaleen Irvine, Teresa Kingsberry, Louise Foley, Ellie McCance, Patrick Lamph, Arthur McDade, Arthur Howard, Kathleen Morgan, Margaret King.

Patrick McEvoy, Mary Winters, John Curran, Con McCann, Vincent Keown, Teresa McKay, Brendan Wright, Ellen O'Neill, Thomas Forde, Geraldine James, Mabel Wilson, Mary McGarrity, Patrick Torney, Elizabeth Cunningham, Jackie Madine.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

Summer Mass Times



There will be a change to Mass times during the months of **July & August**. Mass will be celebrated each weekday at 9.30a.m. There will be no Tuesday evening Mass until September. The novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be said during Mass on Tuesday mornings. A leaflet giving details of Summer Mass Times is available in the church porches and on the notice boards. Please take a copy home with you or check the Parish website at:

www.stbernadettesparish.org

During July & August, the **Parish Notices** will be published online each week. Whether at home or abroad, you can keep up-to-date. Visit our website at: www.stbernadettesparish.org

This is the *final* **Parish Bulletin** before the summer break. Weekly announcements will be available on the **Notice Boards** in the porches and on the **Parish website** during July & August. The next **Parish Bulletin** will be published on **Sunday 2nd. September.**



Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,308**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

The special collection for the **2018 World Meeting of Families** will take place this weekend.

There are some Offertory Boxes still to be collected from the Sacristy.



Retirement Association

Tuesday 26th. June - Ormeau Park Bowling at 11a.m.

No experience needed. All equipment supplied.

Thursday 28th. June - **Weekly Walk**. Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

Friday 29th. June - **Monthly Lunch** in the **Parish Centre** at **1p.m.** Booking essential, please contact **Seamus** Tel. **077672 71019** *before* **Monday 25th. June** if you wish to attend.

Friday 29th. June - Ormeau Park Bowling at 2p.m.



Parish Pastoral Council

Our **Annual Report for 2017-2018** has been published. We have set out a brief overview of the work we have undertaken during the past year - the highlight of which were: the 50th. Anniversary of our Parish church, the Lenten Programme, and preparations for the World Meeting of Families 2018 to be held in Dublin. The Council is tasked with the spiritual and pastoral development of the Parish under the leadership of Fr. Armstrong. Four of our longest serving members have stepped down. We invite Parishioners who may be interested to join us. Copies of our Report are available at the back of the Church.



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.

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

8p.m. Bowling Club.

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

Tuesday

7p.m. Zumba Class.

Wednesday

2p.m. Speech & Drama.

5p.m. Children's Soccer.

5.30p.m. Irish Dancing Class.

7p.m. - 8p.m. Active Yoga Class.

8p.m. Taekwondo.

8.15p.m. - 9.15p.m. Relaxing Yoga Class.

Thursday

8p.m. - 9p.m. **Free Essential Oil & Wellness Classes.**

Friday

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

7p.m. Youth Club - registered members only! **This is the last session before the summer break!**

Saturday

10a.m. Taekwondo.

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



July - Team 1.

Ministers of the Word



Sunday 1st. July - Group 8

500 Club



Week 40: Congratulations to the lucky winners in the **Weekly Draw: Mary Rose Kavanagh & Dolores Foster.**

Each winner receives £50.

Shalom Catholic Family TV



Shalom World is a commercial-free, high-definition, Catholic family channel that reaches out to the world with the truth of Christ. This channel supplements the pastoral efforts of the Church to spread the Good News of Christ Jesus. A representative from Shalom will speak at all of the Masses on **7th. & 8th. July.**

110th. Belfast Scouts



St. Bernadettes Beavers will have a number of places for boys or girls who wish to join next September. The group meet on a Tuesday night in the Scout Hall from 6.30p.m. to 7.30p.m. Beavers are aged from 6-8 years. If you are interested, please send your contact details to: 110thbelfastbeaverscouts@gmail.com.

World Meeting of Families 2018



Important information for Parishioners who wish to register for a single day attendance at the Final Mass in Phoenix Park. (Those who have already registered to attend the Pastoral Congress and Final Mass do not need to do anything further. They will receive their 'print at home' tickets via email closer to the event).

- Single day tickets for the Final Mass are **free** and will be available from the website from **25th. June.**
- You will need a ticket for the Final Mass in Phoenix Park
- From 25th. June, book your tickets by using the online form on the website - **www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets/Closing-Mass-ticket-only**
- Your tickets will be sent to you closer to the event
- Every adult and child attending will need a ticket. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult. All tickets will be for standing sections.
- It is not possible to apply for tickets for both Phoenix Park and Knock, as both events will take place on the same day. You may only apply for one of these events.
- Your tickets will be sent by email in the form of a 'print at home' ticket. This will include travel information, along with details of how to get to your section of Phoenix Park for the Final Mass.

Any further information will be communicated to you as and when it becomes available. If you have any queries please **contact :family@downandconnor.org** or **Tel. 9032 1713.** When you have received your ticket and would like to register for coach transport to Dublin for the **Final Mass**, you must do so by **Friday 29th. June.** Please contact the **Parish Office** Tel. **9079 3023 Option 1** and leave your contact details and how many seats required.