

Parish Bulletin



PARISH OF
HOLY ROSARY



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ST BERNADETTE



Cycle B Psalter Week 1
Easter Sunday 4th April 2021

MASSSES FOR EASTER SUNDAY

St Bernadette's Parish Vigil 9.00pm & 11am
Holy Rosary Parish Vigil 9pm; 9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm

SUNDAY MASSES RESUME TO NORMAL TIMES ON 10TH/11TH APRIL

St Bernadette's Parish Vigil 6.00pm & 11am
Holy Rosary Parish 9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm

Weekday Mass Times for Easter Week

St Bernadette's Parish: Mon, Tues & Wed 9.30am
Holy Rosary Parish: Thurs, Fri & Sat 10am

Given the current public health emergency the [Dispensation from the Obligation to attend Mass](#) has been extended **UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**. The faithful are encouraged, but not required, to attend Sunday Mass whenever possible or to participate in live-streamed Parish Masses offered online.

Visit www.stbernadettesparish.org and Click on "Watch Live" for St Bernadette's Parish.

www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net for Holy Rosary Parish and click on the webcam

Church Opening Times for Private Prayer

St. Bernadette's Parish: Mon, Tues, Wed 10am-12pm
Holy Rosary Parish: Thurs, Fri, Sat 10.30-12pm

Safety Arrangements in the Church during the COVID-19 Health Emergency

1. Masks **MUST** be worn (unless someone is exempt as outlined in public health agency guidance).
2. Use Hand Sanitizer (available at the Church doors).
3. Keep the 2m **Social Distance** in mind when sitting in the pews & approaching for Holy Communion.
4. Whatever you bring with you into the Church, please take with you when you leave.

Weekly Offering 28th March £1,904.91

Many thanks to all those who have been able to contribute to the parish finances through a standing order, PayPal, the Donate Button, or parish envelopes.

We recognise that this is a time of financial worry for many, and for that reason giving to the parish should be secondary to your own needs.

NEW WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES 2021-2022



The new Weekly Offering Envelopes for 2021-22 will come into use next weekend. Many people have already collected or received their new boxes by this stage. Thanks to those who have assisted in the distribution.

There are still some boxes waiting for collection or distribution. These can be collected from the sacristy at Mass times. Any assistance that can be offered in terms of delivering the remaining boxes to those unable to attend, would be gratefully appreciated.

A number of parishioners have chosen to contribute to the Parish through Standing Order, especially in these times when many are unable to come to church. If you wish to change from using envelopes to a Standing Order, a form is available from the Parish office, simply e-mail stbernadettes@downandconnor.org or ring 02890793023 (option 1).

If you do not currently use the envelope system and would like to take a box, please contact the parish office or e-mail: stbernadettes@downandconnor.org

Our Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased

Brenda Brown, Patricia Sheehan, Lily Fitzsimmons, Ita Keane,

Anniversaries: James Kelly, Babs Green, Gráinne Walls, Christina Dougherty (10.30am), James Wilkinson (11am), Sally Sanchez O'Neill, Peter McCrory, Elizabeth McCrory, Mary & George Donaldson (Thurs 10am), Mary Boyle (Fri 10am), Laura Reid, Grace Ward, Mary Turley and Gerard Lee.

St Bernadette's Bethany Bereavement Support Group ☎

07733773758

Holy Rosary Bethany Bereavement Support Group ☎

07818090323

TROCAIRE

Working for a Just World

Trocaire Boxes & Donations can be returned to the church. We would be grateful if you could change your coins into notes due to covid restrictions. Many thanks for your co-operation. You can also donate directly to the Lenten campaign through the Trocaire website www.trocaire.org

Through the UK Aid Match Programme, the UK government will match all donations given by May 16th.

SVP: Many thanks to parishioners for your continued generosity, especially through these difficult times. Donations may be left at either of the Parochial houses in Holy Rosary and St Bernadette's Parishes. For St Bernadette's Parish donations can be made online at www.Svpni.co.uk or telephone 02890750161 or on their own dedicated giving site which can be accessed

<https://www.svp.ie/stbernadettesouthandeastbelfastappeal>

If you require assistance, please telephone SVP Regional Office 02890351561 and you will be directed to your local SVP Conference. Holy Rosary Parish helpline **07512605759**

Easter Reflection

The great gift of Easter is hope, Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake.

(Cardinal Basil Hume)



Alleluia is our great Easter exclamation. The word itself is Hebrew and means '**Praise God**'.



Easter Reflection

We have been called to share in the Resurrection of Christ not because we are religious heroes, but because we are suffering and struggling human beings, sinners fighting for our lives, prisoners fighting for freedom, rebels taking up spiritual weapons against the powers that degrade and insult our human dignity. (Thomas Merton)

Knockbreda Methodist Church has organised an **Easter Egg Hunt** around the Knockbreda Area. Follow the map to solve the puzzles and claim your prize. Wednesday 31st March to Wednesday 7th April. If you are interested contact heather.bailie@irishmethodist.org for the route and instructions.



Happy Easter



Many thanks to those who prepared the church for Easter and to those who were involved and participated in the Holy Week ceremonies, in the church or via the parish webcam.

Many thanks also to all parishioners who contribute to the life of the parish in so many ways - very often behind the scenes. Thank you everyone for your example, prayers and support during this past, most challenging year.

We wish you, your families and friends the Joy and Blessings of Easter.

May the truth of the Resurrection encourage your spirit and enliven you with the gifts of faith, hope and love this Easter Season