



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 (1 Kings 17:17-24) The woman asks what she has done wrong to Elijah. She sees her child's sickness as a punishment from God. Elijah presents the child to God with heartfelt prayer. His prayer was heard. Prayer is not wishful thinking; prayer is a direct communication with God who even in distress makes his power known.

Second Reading (Galatians 1:11-19) The faith Paul received is not a personal gift for him alone; he has a strong compulsion to bring the Good News to the whole world. The Christian faith is never a private matter; it is for everyone of every time and place. Every Christian is called to make Christ known – by word and action.

Gospel Reading (Luke 7:11-17)

God has visited his people. Christ has come to conquer death and give life.



Reflection

Perhaps today we should reflect a little on just how fully we are living our lives. It is not enough just to be physically alive. There are other levels: the emotional, social, intellectual, moral and spiritual levels. At the same time we are surrounded by lots of people who are barely alive in the real sense. Maybe we can do something to lift them up and give them new life or improve the quality of their living. Jesus promised to give us life, life in great abundance. It is there for the asking.

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Living Church

The Jubilee of Mercy Down & Connor Lough Derg Three Day Pilgrimage will take place this year from Friday 1st. July to Sunday 3rd. July in the traditional three day format. Those who took part in the pilgrimage over the last few years spoke of the many blessings they received from being on the island of Lough Derg. There is quietness and deep spirituality to be found there that is very special. Please consider coming along in this the Year of Mercy. The cost is £60 not including travel to the island. For details of travel arrangements and to book contact the **Living Church Office** Tel. 9069 0920 or send an email to: livingchurch@downandconnor.org by Friday 17th. June.



Do This In Memory

The "Do This In Memory" Programme concludes this Sunday at the 10a.m. Mass. Many thanks to the parent leaders for organising the children who took part in each Mass.

Our Faithful Departed



Anniversaries

James Downey (Sen), William Irvine, Bert McKenna, Hannah Day, James O'Brien, Marie Gillis, Attracta Hedgcock, Eamon Hegarty, Patrick Carey, John Rodgers, Patricia Hobbs, Harry Moore, Fr. Harry Jones, William Fleming.

Colette Bruck, Rosena Gillespie, Fred Butler, Frank Hughes, Agnes Cassidy, Jim McDade, Patrick Melly, Nora Melly, Felix McEvoy, Elizabeth McEvoy, Kathleen Short.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

Prayer at Exam Time



Almighty God, please help me in my exams. Help me to face them with courage and peace. Help me to understand the questions that are asked; To remember what I have studied and to express my answers clearly. Guide and direct me in all my decisions and help me especially to discover my true vocation to love and serve you in my life. I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Vocations



Prayers are asked for **Rev. James O'Reilly** as he approaches his Ordination on **Sunday 12th. June** at **3p.m.** in the **Church of Christ the Redeemer, Lagmore**. Please pray each day for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life, for those already ministering as priests in our Diocese, for those preparing for priesthood, and for all sick and retired priests. "**Come and ask the Lord of the Harvest to send workers into his harvest**" (Luke 10:2).

Official Opening of the Church



Many thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the arrangements for the special Mass last Sunday: **Mrs. Marie McIvor** who co-ordinated the catering in the Parish Centre, **Michael Goodall** for managing the internet access for live streaming, and our **Cleaning Teams** who prepared the church.



Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,828**. The special collection for the **World Meeting of Families** raised **£543**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

The monthly collection for the **Support of the Priests** will be taken up this weekend.

Team 1 will help with the collection this week.

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

Tuesday 7th. June - Bowling at the Ormeau Park at 11a.m.

Wednesday 8th. June - Monthly Coffee Morning in the Lounge in the Parish Centre at 10.15a.m. Everyone is welcome! Meet other members & make new friends!

Thursday 9th. June - Weekly Walk. Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

Friday 10th. June - Bowling at the Ormeau Park at 2p.m.

The month of **June** is traditionally dedicated by the Church to foster devotion to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**. **Special Seven Day Candles** for your prayer intentions are available from the Sacristy. These can be used at home or placed on the **Sacred Heart Altar**. Price £5 each. Marian candles are also available. Please enquire in the Sacristy after Mass.



Parish Centre News

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

Monday 6th.

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

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.

8p.m. Bowling Club.

Tuesday 7th.

7p.m. Zumba Fitness Class.

Wednesday 8th.

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.

8p.m. Taekwondo

Friday 10th.

9.15a.m. Pilates

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

Saturday 11th.

10a.m. Taekwondo

After School Club

Rosetta 2-4 Club for P1 - P7 children this week from **Monday - Friday** from 2p.m. - 4p.m. Contact **Sinead** Tel. **07816 779910** for details.

Ministers of the Eucharist



Group Leader for June - **Anne Sharvin**.

Ministers of the Word



Sunday 12th. June - Group 2

Arthur Foster, Mary McHugh,

Peter Livingstone, Marie McKinney.

500 Club



Week 37: Congratulations to the winners of the **Weekly Prize Draw**: **Kaye Devlin & Anne Sharvin**.

Each winner receives **£50**.

Senior Citizens are invited to an outing to **Newcastle** on **Wednesday 29th. June**. A coach will leave the church car park at **10.15a.m.**

Latest News



Tea/coffee will be served at **Clare Lodge** holiday home on arrival with a meal in the afternoon. If you wish to attend it is vital that you sign the list in the church porch by **13th June**, to finalise the catering. Alternatively please contact **Marie** Tel. **9079 2226**.

Clare Lodge Centre – A centre for well being.

Situated at **3 Castle Place, Newcastle**, all rooms are wheelchair accessible with a lift for ease of access. We can offer week long breaks, Sunday to Saturday as well as midweek and weekends on a full board basis which includes, breakfast, lunch, evening meal and light supper. Bed and breakfast and tailored options are also available. For further information contact any member of your local **St. Vincent de Paul Conference** or directly to **Clare Lodge** Tel. **4372 2849**.

St. Bernard's P.S.



A **School Concert** will be held on **Thursday 9th. June** at **7.30p.m.** in **St. Bernadette's Church**. Pupils from Years 4 -7 will be showcasing their tin whistle skills and there will also be performances from the choir, orchestra and traditional group. We will also be entertained by our guests on the night from **Ards Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann** who are led by **Niall McClean**. This promises to be a wonderful concert and tickets are available from the School Office at £3. Proceeds from tickets will go towards **St. Bernadette's Church Refurbishment Fund**. Please support this event as it will be a wonderful evening showcasing the talents of our pupils and staff.

What's On!



June 10th. **Cantiunculae & The McDowell Trio** present **Fauré Requiem Cantique de Jean Racine Pavane** at **8p.m.** in **St. Comgall's Parish Church, Brunswick Road, Bangor**. Adm. £10 (children under 12 free). Tickets from **Mace Shop, Brunswick Road** or from the **Parish Office** Tel. **9146 552**.

June 15th. to 23rd. **Clonard Solemn Novena**. There have been some changes to the times of some sessions. Please pick up a leaflet from the church porch.

July 2nd Rally for Life in Belfast city centre. Join thousands of people from across Ireland for this fun-filled family day out. Mass will be celebrated in **St. Malachy's Church** before the Rally at **12:30p.m.** For further details contact the **Rally for Life Committee** Tel. **9027 8484** or click on **www.rallyforlife.net**

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