

Sixth Sunday of Easter
25th May 2025



**PARISH OF
HOLY ROSARY**

**PARISH OF
ST BERNADETTE**

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH Vigil 6.00pm & 11am

HOLY ROSARY PARISH 9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Bernadette's Parish: **Mon, Tues, Wed 9.30am**

Holy Rosary Parish: **Thurs, Fri & Sat 10.00am**

Confessions Saturday:

Good Shepherd church 10.30am

St. Bernadette's church. 5.15pm

PARISH WEBCAMS

www.stbernadettesparish.org

www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

RECENTLY DECEASED

Pope Francis, Mary McCabe, Bernadette Smyth, Denis Burns, Claire Carney, Elizabeth Farrell, Marie Mackey, Gabriel McCaffrey

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sr Una Burke (6pm), Larry McQuoid & Larry Murtagh (9am), Paddy Daly (10.30am), Joseph Jenkins (12.30pm), Pauline Kieran, Gerry Kieran, Patrick Foster (11am), Margaret Verner

Eternal rest grant onto them O Lord.

**St Bernadette's Bethany Bereavement
Support Group ☎. 07388191309**



Laudato Si' Week

Saturday May 24th - Saturday May 31st

In his Pastoral Letter, Bishop Alan encourages us with a heart full of hope and a deep sense of urgency. This special week, inspired by the late Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*: *On Care for Our Common Home*, invites us to reflect on the beauty of God's creation and our sacred responsibility to protect it and protect the poorest whose livelihoods depend on the fruit of their labours. Our world is crying out-from the forests that burn, to the oceans that rise, to the communities that suffer most from environmental degradation. Yet, amid these challenges, we are reminded that hope is born from action, and that each of us has a role to play in healing our common home. Let us be inspired by the words of Pope Francis: "Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience". May this *Laudato Si'* Week be a time of renewal for our faith and our commitment to justice, peace, and the integrity of creation. Let us walk gently on the Earth, with gratitude in our hearts and courage in our steps.

SAINTS DURING THE WEEK

Mon 26 th May	St Philip Neri (priest)
Tues 27 th May	St Augustine of Canterbury (bishop)
Thurs 29 th May	St Paul VI (pope)
Sat 31 st May	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

ST BERNADETTE'S FINANCES

Weekly Collection: **£1105.80**

**Education of Diocesan Students
to the Priesthood** **£ 643.84**

The Monthly Collection for the support
of the priests will be taken up next weekend

Thank you for your continued generosity
towards the collections taken up in our parish.



St Bernadette's SVP



Thank you, for your ongoing support throughout the year. Your generosity is much appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require financial help/support.

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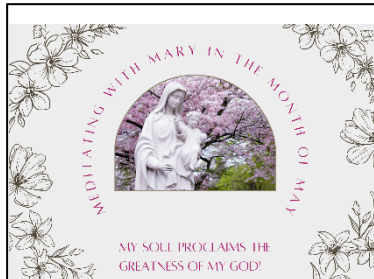
Join us for a half-day of reflection and inspiration at **Ulster University, Belfast**,

on **Saturday, 31st May, from 9.30am to 1.30pm**, hosted by the **Belfast Jesuit Centre**. Inspired by our late Pope Francis' vision for a **Jubilee Year of Hope**, we'll explore how our Catholic faith calls us to embody hope in these challenging times.

Speakers include **Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ, Dr Austen Ivereigh, and Julieann Moran**. The event will be chaired by **Pat Coyle** of Jesuit Communications. Engage in Spirit-led conversations to foster hope in our families, faith communities and world. All are welcome. Registration is required and a registration link can be found by visiting **belfastjesuitcentre.org** or the BJC Facebook page.

As the Catholic Church in Ireland continues its journey along the Synodal Pathway, I would like to share details of a special **weekend workshop on synodality**, taking place **28–29 June 2025** at the **Focolare Centre in Prosperous, Co. Kildare**. This event is inspired by the international formation programme coordinated by the **Evangelii Gaudium Centre at Sophia University Institute (Italy)**, in collaboration with the **General Secretariat of the Synod in Rome** and will offer both **theological depth and practical tools** for fostering a synodal Church at local level. The workshop is **open to all**: clergy, religious, lay leaders, pastoral council members and parishioners. It will be facilitated by experienced international trainers.

Register by 15th June 2025 at :<https://forms.gle/1haKNuZSxX8LpH5t6>
www.focolaireireland.org Email: centroevangeliigaudium@gmail.com
Mobile (Sinead Cullen) +353 83 053 9115



MEDITATING WITH MARY:
Holy Rosary Parish Lectio Divina group meets each Tuesday evening. Over the next three Tuesdays, we will be following the program: **'Meditating with Mary'** prepared by the Pathways to the Future Office.

As a parish community, we will have an opportunity to reflect on three joyful moments in the life of Mary: **the Annunciation, the Visitation and the Magnificat**. There will be opportunities to meditate on a piece of Scripture, pray together and learn about the ways in which Sacred Art can inspire our understanding of these joyful events in Mary's life. The program begins on Tuesday 27th May at 8.00pm for 3 weeks and will be held in Holy Rosary Parish Centre. Cup of tea and chat afterwards. We look forward to welcoming you!



The **Jubilee Year of Hope** is a time for pilgrimage and renewal. Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ and Jim Deeds will lead the Three-Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg. Date: 4th – 6th July 2025. The bus will depart from St Patrick's Church Donegall Street. Cost £100. Places are limited, early booking advised. To book contact Claire on 028 90690920 or pathwaystothe future@downandconnor.org



St Bernadette's
Children's Liturgy
1st/15th/29th June



PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Now Flying Direct From Belfast
International 7 Nights F/B Avenida Hotel 30th
July–6th Aug. Cost £885pps

Spiritual Director Fr Martin Graham Adm, St Peter's Cathedral Belfast. Convenient flight times.

For further information contact Joe Catney 07776425631

St Bernadette's Retirement Group

- £5 annual registration is still being collected for membership. Old and new members are most welcome.
Members are also very welcome to join us for our weekly walk, we meet at 10:15 in St Bernadette's church carpark every Thursday.
- Have you ever visited Clifton House and experienced the Belfast Poor House? The cost is £9. We're meeting at Clifton House. If you'd like to go on Thursday 5th June at 2 o'clock, please submit your name and £9 to a committee member or meet us at Clifton House.
- Our Outdoor Bowling Season in Ormeau Park has begun: would you like to join? You'll be made very welcome on Tuesdays at 11am and Fridays at 2pm. No experience required.
Bowls supplied. Please wear flat footwear. Please come along!
- Our June lunch will be Wednesday 11th June in the Parador. Menu will be available from a committee member or phone Patricia 07711887537. Final date for numbers... Sunday 1st June.

SUMMER SINGING COURSE 7-11 JULY 2025

5-day singing course for young people who want to improve their singing voice and musical skills.
For young people aged 8-18

Venue: St Paul's Parish Centre, Belfast

End of week showcase: St Peter's Cathedral

Optional extra sessions for singers studying GCSE and A-Level Music.

£75 for 5-day course.

Scholarships available on request.

HOLY ROSARY PARISH CENTRE



The Senior Citizens will meet on the following
Monday evenings at 8pm:
26th May; 9th & 23rd June.

The next Bingo Evenings at 7pm:
15th June



Sunday 25 May 2025
John 14:23-29
6th Sunday of Easter

In the GOSPEL TODAY

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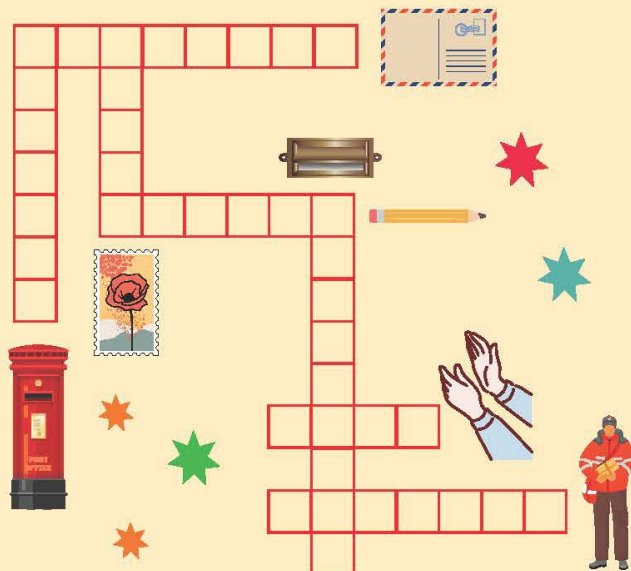
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Jesus is sending a helper, the Holy Spirit, to be with his friends when he has to leave them. Before he goes, Jesus gives his friends a special present. Jesus' friends do not need to be worried again – Jesus is giving them his peace.

Puzzle

PEACE

What are the ways we use to stay in touch with each other even if we can't be together?



What is in the parcel?

Can you sort out these jumbled up letters to find out what the present is?

CEAEP

clue; it starts with P

Write them in the spaces on the label and then colour the parcel.



A PRAYER TO SAY

Help me, Jesus, to pass on your gift of peace to others. Help me to speak kindly and to think about what others need. Amen.

Spot the difference

How many differences can you see?



This is a friend of Jesus who was worried about him leaving.



Here he is when Jesus promised to send a helper.

Answers: PEACE. Crossword: 1a postcard 1d postbox 2d stamp 3a pencil 4d letterbox 5a pray 6a postman. Spot the six difference: Hair; colour of clothes; shape of sleeves; eyebrows; hands; mouth.