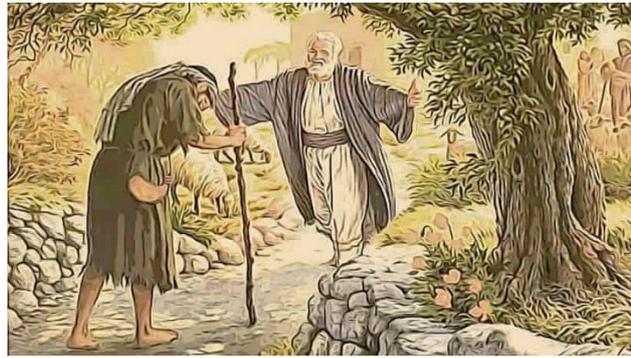


Parish Bulletin



PARISH OF
HOLY ROSARY

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ST BERNADETTE



30th March 2025

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH	Vigil 6.00pm & 11am
HOLY ROSARY PARISH	9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES	
ST BERNADETTES	Mon, Tues & Wed 9.30am
HOLY ROSARY PARISH	Fri & Sat 10.am

Confessions Saturday:
10.30am in Good Shepherd church and
5.15pm in St. Bernadette's church.

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated in Good Shepherd Church on Thursday 3rd April at 11am. **There will be no Mass at 10am on that day**

Morning Lenten Prayers in St Bernadettes Church will take place each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings commencing at 9.15am.



Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Thursday 3rd April in Good Shepherd church:

11am children from St Michael's Primary School
3pm children from Holy Rosary Primary School and Forge Integrated School

We keep the children, their parents and teachers in our prayers.

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OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

RECENTLY DECEASED

John (Duncan) O'Neill, Rosenda Majury, Frank McMullan
Laurence Donnelly, George Burke, Mary (Renee) Maloney,
Terry Despard

ANNIVERSARIES:

Fr Tom Hamill, Grainne Walls, Mary Donnelly (11am),
Rita McCann (9am), Angela Jenkins (10.30am),
Nancy Feeney, Patrick & Evelyn Cunningham,

Eternal rest grant onto them O Lord.

Holy Rosary's Bethany Bereavement Support Group ☎. 07388191309

St Bernadette's Bethany Bereavement Support Group ☎. 07385591055



ST BERNADETTES FINANCES

Weekly Collection 9 th March	£1247.98
Weekly Collection 16 th March	£1342.85
Needy Parishes Collection	£635.48

The 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 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.

DEFIBRILLATORS: It is planned to put defibrillators in our Churches. If anyone knows of any organisations who would be willing to sponsor such installation for Charities or would be willing to finance such installation, please leave the names in the sacristy.



St Bernadette's Children's Liturgy
Dates for Children's Liturgy
February 2025 – June 2025

6th April; 4th/18th May. 1st/15th/29th June

Due to increasing numbers of children attending St. Bernadette's Children's Liturgy group we are looking for adults 18yrs onwards to join our group and help lead the children in our fortnightly liturgy activities.

Anyone interested please contact Mary Grace Wilson
 ☎07554386905 email marygrace.wilson@btinternet.com
 You will be made very welcome.

ST BERNADETTE'S RETIREMENT GROUP

- Our next coffee morning will be Wednesday 16th April after 9:30am Mass.
- £5 annual registration is still being collected for membership. Old and new members are most welcome, so come along and meet new friends.
- 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.
- A date for your diary: Lyric Wednesday 14th May, Night at the Musicals. If you would like to attend, please submit your name and £15 to one of our committee members or at our April coffee morning. Money MUST be paid by 16th April.
- Would you like a free tour of Stormont Buildings? On Wednesday 30 April '25 at 12 noon? If so, please give your name at our April Coffee Morning or to a committee member.
- Have you ever visited Clifton House and experienced the Belfast Poor House? The cost is £9. If you'd like to on Thursday 5th June at 1 o'clock, please submit your name and £9 in at our April coffee morning or to a committee member.

DIVINE HEALING MINISTRIES

"Going Deeper - Redigging the Ancient Wells"

A day of prayer and hearing the Father's heart for Ireland with Matthew and Serah Rudolph and Messianic Community of Jewish believers in Jesus. **10am - 4pm, Saturday 5th April Holy Rosary Parish Centre Ormeau Road.** Bring a packed lunch and team/coffee will be provided. Freewill offering on the day. Matthew is a Jewish believer in Jesus who deeply desires Gods glory to be seen in Israel and the nations. Matthew is dedicated to unity in the Body of Messiah and honours the beauty of ancient and modern expressions of faith. **Register by email please office@divinehealingministries.org www.divinehealingministries.org**

Are you involved, or keen to become involved in Church Music in your Parish, School, University etc.? We invite you to join us for 'Sing for Joy!' - A Day of Music and Ministry. Saturday 26th April 2025 at Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co. Donegal. Boat departs at 9:30am. In the prayerful setting of Lough Derg, this day will provide space for the power of music to nourish our spirit and allow us to give praise to God through the beauty of sound, song, and silence. There will be various inputs as well as time to pray, connect with others and explore this Sacred place. The day will conclude with the Celebration of the Eucharist at 5pm (open to the public). This day is open to young people aged 18-35 and is free to attend (supported by the Knights of St Columbanus). Registration is essential via <https://bit.ly/SingforJoy0r> scan the QR code please contact +447759496677 info@knightsstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk



LENTEN INVITATION

Parishioners are invited and encouraged to join the **parishioners and clergy of our neighbouring parishes to pray Night Prayer together on the Sundays of Lent at 8.00pm** in this Jubilee Year of **Hope**, The service lasts approximately 15 minutes. Parishioners are warmly invited to come together to support one another in prayer.

Sunday 30th March **St Malachy's Church, Belfast.**
 Sunday 6th April **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Carryduff.**
 Sunday 13th April **St Colmcille's Church, Belfast.**

STEP FORWARD AS A PILGRIM OF HOPE THIS LENT!

As we journey through the Jubilee Year, Pope Francis invites us to be Pilgrims of Hope – people who walk in faith, supporting one another and deepening our relationship with Christ. We invite you to join us for our new Lenten program, **Pilgrim Hearts – Walking in the steps of Jesus this Lent**, a 6-week Lenten journey inspired by the Sunday gospels of Lent and the lives of the Irish saints who embraced faith in times of challenge. From St Patrick's prayers on the mountain to St Brigid's acts of compassion, their lives remind us that holiness is lived in simple, everyday choices. They were the great evangelisers of the Christian faith in Ireland.

Invite a family member or friend or neighbour to come with you for these weeks of prayer and reflection. All welcome.

Venue: Holy Rosary Parish Centre
Date: Tuesdays of Lent
Time: 6.45 p.m. to 8p.m.

WITNESSES OF HOPE FROM SCRIPTURE

A Diocesan online programme for the Sundays of Lent @7pm, available on the Down and Connor Facebook page, and Youtube



Facebook



Youtube

🎵 BIG SING 🎵

KNOCKBREDA COMMUNITY GARDEN SATURDAY 5TH APRIL AT 7PM

You are invited to an hour of relaxation and music at Knockbreda Community and Wildlife Garden. We will have an informal sing along together and some members of the Ormeau Community Ukelele group will be performing. There is no entrance fee, but all voluntary donations will go to the Trocaire Lenten Appeal. Tea and coffee will be served. Access to the garden is through the car park of Cornerstone Methodist Church (formerly Knockbreda Methodist Church) on Rosetta Road. Please come along and support a good cause if you are free. We'd love to see you there, especially if you have never visited the community garden.



Community Walk, Talk and Tea. This is an open invitation to anyone to join with a group to get out of house and be active. We meet on Thursdays at Bredagh GAC Hall 341 Ravenhill Road 6.45pm for 7pm start and go for short walk approximately (30 minutes), then return to the hall for tea and goodies



HOLY ROSARY PARISH CENTRE
The Senior Citizens will meet on the following Monday evenings: 7th April; 12th & 26th May; 9th & 23rd June.

The next Bingo Evenings will be 27th April; 18th May and 15th June



PUT THE DATES IN YOUR DIARY

LOOK

Sunday 30 March 2025
 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
 4th Sunday of Lent

In the
GOSPEL TODAY

WELCOME HOME!

A father has two sons. The younger son takes his share of the family money. He wastes it all and ends up in a job he doesn't enjoy feeding pigs. He knows he has hurt his father and goes home to say sorry. His father loves his son very much and is thrilled to welcome him back home!

Maze

Help the lost son find his way home to his loving father.



Word search

GOD HOME
 HAPPY SORRY
 HUG PIGS
 PARTY

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Pack your bag

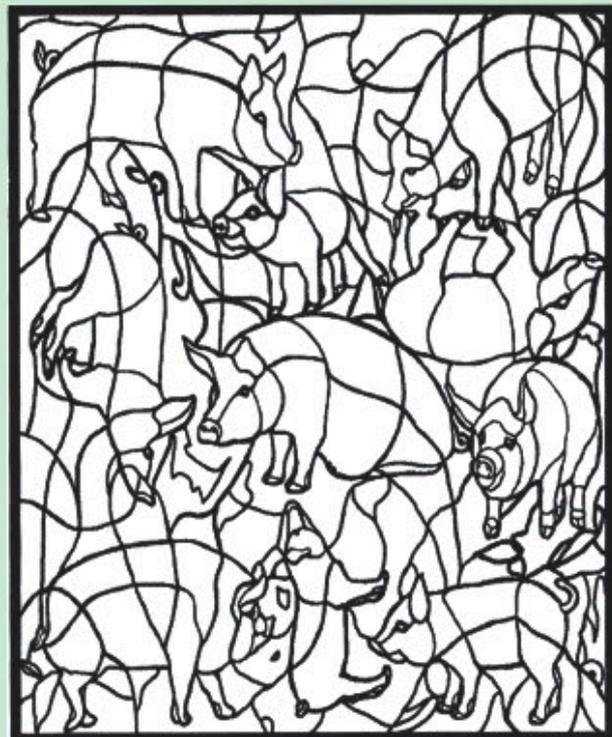
Just like the Prodigal Son you are planning to go home to your loving Father. Circle those things you will want to pack. Cross out the things you will leave behind.



Puzzle

Here are ten pigs for the younger son to look after.

Can you find them all?



Answer: Things to pack: kindness, forgiveness, love, prayer, obedience, sorrow, for sins.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Lord, for loving me so much. No matter what I do, you will always welcome me with open arms. Thank you.