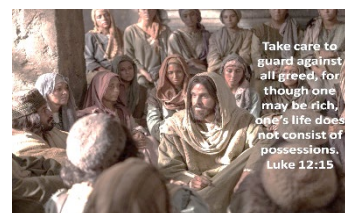
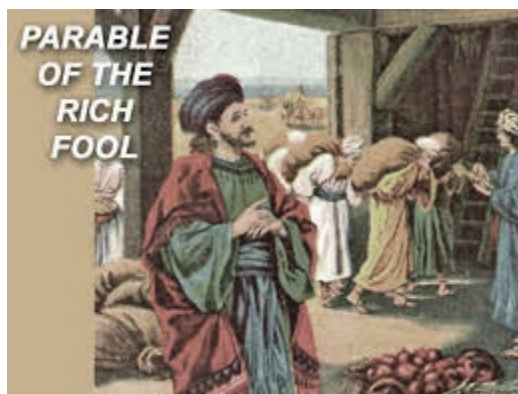


Parish Bulletin



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HOLY ROSARY

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ST BERNADETTE



Eighteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time Year C
3rd August 2025

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: **Tues 11am Requiem Mass**
for Patricia Hogg
Thurs, Fri & Sat 10.00am

CONFESSIONS SATURDAY:

Good Shepherd church 10.30am
St. Bernadette's church. 5.15pm

PARISH WEBCAMS

Website & Webcam www.stbernadettesparish.org
Website & Webcam www.holyrosaryparishbelfast.net

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

R RECENTLY DECEASED

Patricia Hogg (funeral Tuesday at 11am in Good Shepherd Church),
Eileen McAlinden, Kathleen Jordan,
Eileen Murtagh (12.30pm Month's Mind), Rita Colquhoun,
John Kennedy

ANNIVERSARIES:

Bobby McParland (6pm), Teresa McConville, (9am),
Brendan Wright (10.30am), Kathleen Hutchinson,
Denis and Bede Kelly, Michael & Susan Collins

St Bernadette's Bethany Bereavement
Support Group ☎ 07388191309



ST BERNADETTE'S FINANCES

Collections 20 th July:	Weekly	£1214.30
	Pastoral Services	£486.72
Weekly Collection 27 th July		£1122.92

The Monthly Collection for the support of the priests
will be taken up this week

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



St Bernadette's Parish Contacts

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Holy Rosary Parish & St Bernadette's Parish
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stbernadettes@downandconnor.org

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.

VENTURE SCOUT REUNION

Fortieth 110th Venture Scout Reunion will be held on Saturday
13th September. If you're interested in attending, please contact
Nona via email Conaghannona66@gmail.com

Pope's August prayer intention: For mutual coexistence

In the month of August 2025 Pope Leo XIV is inviting
us to pray "that societies avoid internal conflicts due
to ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons"
and encouraging us to "seek paths of dialogue" and
"respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity."

HOLY ROSARY PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Thursday 10am to 3pm.

The parish office will be closed on Fridays.

Contact details:

holyrosary@downandconnor.org ☎ 02890642446 Option 2

To assist Clare, the parish secretary, all notices for inclusion
in the parish bulletin ought to be submitted by Wednesday at
12 noon. Many thanks.





The Season of Creation takes place from September 1st to October 4th.

It is a time when Christians around the world come together to pray, reflect, and take action on caring for the environment and addressing ecological concerns. The observance begins on the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** (September 1st) and concludes on the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4th).

The Season encourages prayer, education, and advocacy for environmental stewardship.

The Symbol for 2025 is the Garden of Peace

The symbol is characterized by a dove carrying an olive branch bringing life to the Garden of Peace.

In the Biblical story of the flood, the dove plays the role of the blessed messenger: The dove sent out by Noah returns to the ark with a fresh olive branch in its beak, signalling that the flood is receding.

As the flood story begins with a situation where "the earth is filled with violence" (Genesis 6:13), the return of the dove with the olive branch came to be known as a sign of new peace.

A CALL TO ACTION: "THE EFFECT OF JUSTICE WILL BE PEACE"

God calls us to be peacemakers (Matthew 5:9). We are called to live in peace, worship the Creator, and work for a just and sustainable community that aligns with God's eternal plans. As co-workers with the Creator, we must embody peace with all of Creation.

To delve deeper into the theological reflection that guides the 2025 theme and symbol, find more information here:

<https://seasonofcreation.org/>

For information about events which will be happening locally see the website of –Join the dots together.

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. The walk will be ongoing throughout August.
- Our Outdoor Bowling Season in Ormeau Park has already begun, would you like to join? You'll be made very welcome on Tuesdays at 11am and Fridays at 2pm. No experience required. Bowls will be supplied. Please wear flat footwear
- The bowling will also be ongoing throughout August. A lovely way to spend some time during the summer.
- Our next coffee morning will be Wednesday 17th September after 9:30am Mass. Please come along and meet your friends and make new ones
- Our next trip is to Clifton Street Cemetery on 24th September at 11:30am. Cost £10. Meeting point: outside Clifton Street cemetery. The maximum number is 20 so it's the first 20 members who pay. If you're interested, please see a member of the committee or at the September coffee morning.

Please see a member of the committee

Free Self-Management Course

PAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

- Are you living with a long-term condition?
- Do you want to learn some tools and techniques to help you manage your condition and take back control?

Dates:	Friday 5 th September - 10 th October 2025
Times:	12.15pm - 2.45pm (tea coffee and biscuits)
Location:	Ormeau Library, 247 Ormeau Road, Belfast, BT7 3GG

We know how much strength it takes to live with arthritis and other long-term conditions. Our programmes are designed to improve your confidence and connect you with other people with similar conditions.

Participants will develop their skills and knowledge on:

- Getting a good night's sleep
- Managing symptoms
- Working with your healthcare team
- Effective problem-solving
- Better communication
- Handling difficult emotions
- How to relax
- Tips for eating well
- Managing anxiety

How to Register:

Call us on: 028 9078 2940

Email:
niservices@versusarthritis.org

OR: Scan the QR code



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ARTHRITIS**



Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 31st Aug 2025.

£699.00 pps. Price includes return bus transfers, 4 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Full use of leisure facilities. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock Shrine, Galway Cathedral, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick and more. Irish music nightly. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Save the Date: Abide in His Love Women's Conference Nov 21-23. The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran Co. Donegal.

An Amazing event for women exploring the beauty & gift of their feminine identity in Christ.

Guest Speakers include Sr. Mary Madeline Todd OP (USA), Megan Madden from 'A Mother's Lace' (USA/UK), Fr. Barry Braum, Fr. Mark Wharton (UK),

Fr. Francesco Mary Gavazzi, CFR, the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Mass with Archbishop Eamon Martin. More speakers to be announced. Check out **Eventbrite** for tickets & more information. Not to be missed!



Sunday 3 August 2025
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 9:28-36

In the GOSPEL TODAY

BEING RICH!

Quiz

Cross out the "yes" or the "no" when you decide on the answers.

I am rich in God's eyes if I...

have a sports car yes/no

am a good friend yes/no

live in a very big house yes/no

say my prayers yes/no

give to charity yes/no

Jesus tells a story about a rich man who builds a great big barn for all his harvest. He is pleased with himself because he is so rich. Jesus says he is making a mistake. Being kind and loving will make us much happier and richer in God's eyes than lots of money.

Spot the difference

Can you spot five differences between these two pictures of the farmer with his barn?



Rich in God's eyes

Draw yourself in God's eye doing something kind for someone in need of help.

A PRAYER TO SAY

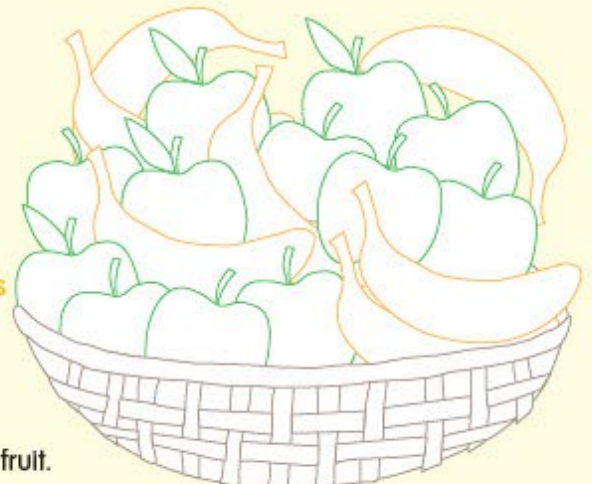
Sometimes I want more, Jesus. I just want to have lots of nice things! But help me to remember that love is what matters. I know I will be really happy when I am kind. Amen.

Sharing

How many bananas and apples do you have to share?

I have bananas

I have apples



Colour in your basket of fruit.

Answers: Sharing: twelve apples and seven bananas. Spot the difference: Colour of top, colour of wellies, tree, hay on pitchfork, shutters on window.