



The Season of
ORDINARY TIME

Parish Bulletin



PARISH OF
HOLY ROSARY



PARISH OF
ST BERNADETTE



Cycle B Psalter Week 4
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
12th September 2021

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 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 – 12 noon.
Holy Rosary Parish: Thurs, Fri, Sat 10.30 – 12 noon

SEASON OF CREATION: RESTORING OUR COMMON HOME

The Season of Creation continues & we encourage everyone across the Diocese to take time in prayer & reflection. We are encouraged to reflect on all that the earth provides for us and to pray this grace before meals. *Generous God, you embrace all of creation, and bless us with gifts of life. As we break this bread, we praise you for your goodness, we give thanks to those who grew our food, and we remember those who are hungry. May we be moved by the Holy Spirit to share these gifts as one family, and so catch a glimpse of your Kingdom, of justice, peace and love. Amen*

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OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED



Recently Deceased:

Brian Campbell, Gerard O'Hara, Edward Mulhern, Annie Treacy, David Bell, Rose Gilbride, Rita Brehony, Patricia McGreevy, Mary McKenna.

Anniversaries:

Ella Rennick (6pm), Alphonsus McClean, Florence Heaney, John O'Kane, Betty Montague (10.30am), Denis Carey (12.30pm).

St Bernadette's Bethany Bereavement Support Group ☎. 07733773758

ST. BERNADETTE'S PARISH FINANCES

Collection figures for 5th September will be provided next weekend.

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



SVP: Many thanks to parishioners for your continued generosity. Donations can be left in the church. For St Bernadette's Parish donations can also be made online at www.Svpni.co.uk or telephone 02890750161 or on the dedicated giving site which can be accessed at <https://www.svp.ie/stbernadettessouthandeastbelfastappeal>

If you require assistance, please telephone SVP Regional Office 02890351561 and you will be directed to your local SVP Conference.

See online bulletin for children's activities.

COVID-19 & FACE MASKS IN CHURCH



1. Face coverings must be worn by all while entering and exiting the Church – this is a legal requirement.

In the interests of the common good and for everyone's well-being we ask that:

2. Face coverings continue to be worn by all when moving around the Church, at Communion time and at other times when social distancing is difficult.
3. **Face coverings are strongly recommended at all other times, even when seated.**



TRÓCAIRE has written to thank parishioners for your generosity to the 2021 Lenten Appeal. Almost £5 million was raised in Northern Ireland. The final total for the 2021 Lenten Appeal was £4,861,548. This includes the £2 million in extra funding that has been approved by the UK government, which had pledged to match public donations in Northern Ireland up to a maximum of £2 million.

"Once again we asked the people of Northern Ireland to stand in solidarity with those in the developing world and, despite everything going on here in relation to Covid-19, the public stepped up to the plate.... We never cease to be amazed and humbled by the generosity of people here at home. Last year Trócaire supported 2.7 million people in 25 countries. This would not have been possible without the support of people in Northern Ireland.

Letter from Bishop Treanor: DIOCESAN APPEAL FOR THE DOWN AND CONNOR PRIESTS' WELFARE FUND

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Over the past 18 months the normal rhythm of our lives has been affected in so many ways. Many things we took for granted were no longer readily available to us, and, as families, workers and communities, we sought out new ways to live life. Our life as a praying and worshipping community was ruptured too. We all felt the absence of gathering as the family of God, but we adapted to new ways of uniting in prayer. We are most grateful for your generosity to your parish and to the diocese at a time when many people faced and continue to face their own financial struggles.

In the diocese of Down and Connor, the Priests' Welfare Fund exists to provide the stipend for each priest in active ministry. Your generosity over many years has ensured that the Fund had sufficient reserves to continue to provide a stipend for each priest, even where parish stipend offerings decreased significantly.

On Sunday 19th September 2021 we are asking for your financial support towards the annual autumn voluntary collection for our priests. We make this appeal to ensure that the Fund can continue to sustain that support.

We make this appeal in the light of the fact that during 2020 the level of giving across our parishes dropped on average by 35% to 50%. This decrease was experienced across all aspects of financial support for the many services provided by our parishes and the diocese e.g. Pastoral Care and Services and Sacramental Ministries in our parishes; the Living Church initiative, Family Ministry, Vocations Commission, Diocesan Youth Commission, Safeguarding & Vetting, Chaplaincies to Hospitals, Prisons, Universities), Living Youth, ACCORD, Family Care Society and the Diocesan Curia. Together with the priests of the diocese I thank you for your kindness and ongoing support and for your generous response to this appeal in support of your priests.

I offer my prayerful good wishes to you and to all those who are dear to you. Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Noel Treanor".

Third World Group: Father Tony Coney's Lima Mission.

The annual child sponsorship payments for the upkeep of the St Bernadette's Centres in Lima are now due. The ongoing Covid pandemic continues to impact severely in Lima with people there suffering more than most. Thankfully the Residential Centre and Remedial School are still operating at full capacity offering a safe haven for children from abusive homes and difficult situations.

A letter from Fr Tony detailing the hardships faced and the work involved has been sent to current sponsors. If anyone would like a copy of this letter or any information with regards sponsorship, please contact Mary at 90692929 or Patricia 90298162. Thank you very much for your support. It is much appreciated by all concerned.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Mon 13 th Sept	St. John Chrysostom
Tues 14 th Sept	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Wed 15 th Sept	Our Lady of Sorrows
Thurs 16 th Sept	St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian

MESSAGE FROM HOLY ROSARY FOOD BANK GROUP: We

restarted Foodbank collections in August. We anticipate that in time we can return to pre-Covid volumes – concentrating on Toiletries and Cleaning Products. We distribute donations via partner organisations who deal directly with individuals and families in our community. Recently we received a thank you from Carol Reynolds, the organiser of Foodstore @ Cooke, on Park Road, one of the outlets for our collections. We thought that we should share Carol's comments with you and an outline of their work. Carol writes that "Holy Rosary Parish contributions have been very welcome and are put to good use". When Foodstore @ Cooke restarted after lockdown, it operated solely with Women's Aid, who care for women and their children without a home, food, or income at very short notice. Within a few months, Cooke has expanded this outreach through partnerships with Ballynafeigh Community Development and Ark Housing Associations. Ark Housing Association manages the Rossville House refuge in Rossmore Drive. Some occupants of Rossville House are refugees or asylum seekers who arrive with nothing and need help until they receive permanent aid. The donations from Holy Rosary and other local churches allow Cooke to support families and individuals in the Ballynafeigh area who are struggling financially and need assistance. Cooke distributed 28 food packets in July and August. The standard food package they provide includes: tins of meat, fish and vegetables; tea, coffee, sugar, pasta, rice, breakfast cereals, soup, fruit cordial, toiletries and cleaning products. To the long-life products, they try to add milk, bread, butter, eggs, and fruit. This is only one of the distribution partnerships that we have established to disperse your generous donations. We hope that you will continue to support us".

Children's Corner

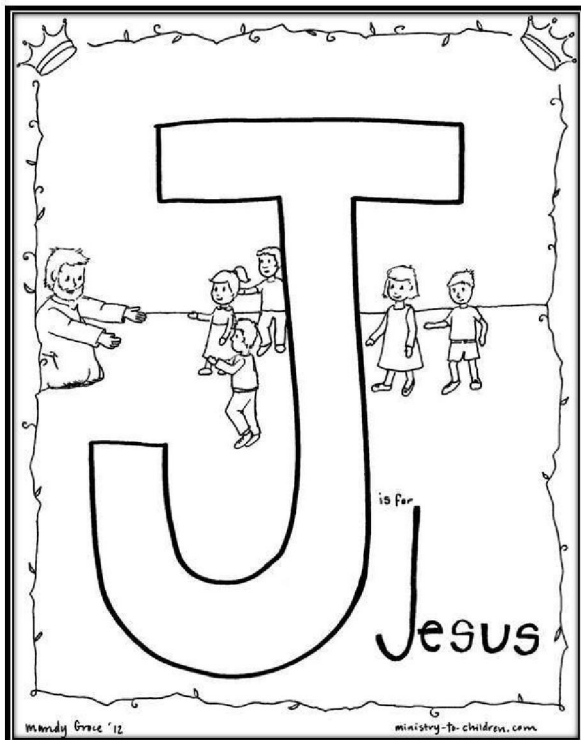
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"Jesus is the Son of God"



"But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply,
 "You are the Christ." Mark 8:27-35

Church of Saint Leo the Great www.stleothegreat.com/childrens-corner

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"Jesus is the Son of God"



Help Jesus carry His cross by completing the dot-to-dot. Read Mark 8:27-35 and discuss how each person in your family can take up their own cross for Jesus. What are some ways you can help others carry their cross?

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