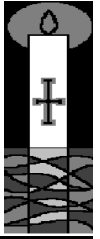


# Parish of St. Bernadette



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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](mailto:info@stbernadettesparish.org)

**First Reading (Acts 2:1-11)** The evocative story of Pentecost reveals in a physical way the power of God. Most of the time God remains hidden, but the effects of his power do not. The wind and flame of Pentecost Sunday is reminder of the reality of the power of God in our world. Sometimes the language of faith is not understood. The actions of faith - the good works that result from it - are a powerful testimony of the presence of God.

**Second Reading (Galatians 5:16-25)** St. Paul reminds us of the earliest form of the Creed - Jesus is Lord. This is the rock on which the entire faith rests. Jesus is the Son of God and the Son of Mary. The Holy Spirit keeps this faith alive in the hearts and lives of all the faithful.

**Gospel Reading (John 15:26-27, 16:12-15)** Jesus recognised that his disciples were not capable of taking in everything at once. Wisdom comes slowly and sometimes painfully. Hearing the 'right' answer at the 'wrong' time does not help us. We need to be ready and open to receiving the truth if it is to have any impact. Perhaps you can recall some occasions when it was the 'right' time for you to learn a truth about life. Remember your experiences of growth in understanding. ©Intercom



## 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



## Family Fun Day

The Pastoral Area of South Belfast in preparation for the **World Meeting of Families** is hosting a Family Fun-Day on **Saturday 16th. June** in the Parish of **Drumbo & Carryduff** from **10a.m. - 4p.m.** This *free* event is open to all the families in the area and the Parishes of the South Belfast Forum. The day will begin with concelebrated Mass in the **Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary** at **10a.m.**, accompanied by the Blessing of all our families. The day itself will take place around the Parish Hall. Car parking is available at the church car park. All food & drink must be paid for.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** continues on **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **8a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** All are welcome! Come and pray in the very presence of the Lord.



**"The family is also a sign of Christ. It manifests the closeness of God who is a part of every human life, since he became one with us through his incarnation, death and resurrection."** Amoris Laetitia - The Joy of Love, Pope Francis.

## Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of: **Marie Glover R.I.P.**, mother of a Parishioner, who died recently,

**Jean Downey R.I.P.**, of Trassey Close, whose funeral took place on Wednesday.

## Anniversaries

Pat Ivory, Larry McQuoid, Molly Black, Basil Collins, Paddy Murphy, John Lavery, Sr. Alphonsus McKernan, Sara Watson, Sean McCann, Catherine McCloskey, Brigid Boles, Gerard Murray, Francis Leyden, Donal Lavery.

John (Desmond) Bateson, Rose Devine, James McKenna, Patrick John Curran, Arthur McQuoid, Gerard Maguire, Gerald Murray, Sarah McFall, Mary Christine Galway, James Gerard Kieran, Catherine Boyle.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

The **Annual Blessing of Graves** will be held at the following burial grounds:

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>. May - City Cemetery**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. May - Hannahstown**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. June - The Rock**

All services commence at **3p.m.**

## First Eucharist



Congratulations to the children from **St. Bernard's P.S.** who received their **First Holy Communion** on **Saturday**. We pray that their faith will be enriched and that they will remain faithful to the Eucharist throughout their lives. We thank their teachers, parents, and the **"Do This in Memory"** Team who prepared the children for the Sacrament.



## Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,769**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

The annual collection for the **Education of Diocesan Students to the Priesthood** takes place this weekend.

### Offertory Envelopes for 2018 / 2019

There are some new boxes still to be collected from the Sacristy after Mass.



## Retirement Association

**Tuesday 22nd. May** - Ormeau Park Bowling at 11a.m. No previous experience needed. All equipment will be supplied.

**Thursday 24th. May** - Weekly Walk. Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

**Friday 25th. May** - Ormeau Park Bowling at 2p.m.

**Wednesday 30th. May** - Monthly Lunch in the Bureau, Whiteabbey at 1p.m. *Booking essential!* please contact Seamus Tel. 077672 71019.

**Wednesday 6th. June** - "Lovers, Winners and Losers". Brian Friel's bittersweet meditation on love and loss, told in two parts: "Winners and Losers" at the **Lyric** at 7.45p.m. Adm. £10. If you wish to attend please contact **Anne** Tel. 9064 3031 as soon as possible.



## Parish Centre News

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

### Monday

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

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.

7.30p.m. - 8.30p.m. Pilates Class.

8p.m. Bowling Club.

8.30p.m. - 9.30p.m. Pilates Class.

### Tuesday

7p.m. Zumba Class.

### Wednesday

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.

2p.m. Speech & Drama.

5p.m. Children's Soccer.

5.30p.m. Irish Dancing Class.

7p.m. - 8p.m. Active Yoga Class.

8p.m. Taekwondo.

8.15p.m. - 9.15p.m. Relaxing Yoga Class.

### Thursday

8p.m. - 9p.m. **Free Essential Oil & Wellness Classes.**

To book, contact **Suzanne** Tel. 079687 02998 or by e-mail: [olilivingandbreathing@gmail.com](mailto:olilivingandbreathing@gmail.com)

### Friday

9.30a.m. - 10.30a.m. Pilates Class.

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

### Saturday

10a.m. Taekwondo.

### Rosetta 2-4 After School Club

From **Monday - Friday** for P1 - P7 children from **2p.m. - 4p.m.** Contact **Sinead** Tel. 07816 779910.

The latest edition of the Bulletin is published online each week. Whether at home or abroad, you can keep up-to-date on current news and events in the Parish. Visit our website at: [www.stbernadettesparish.org](http://www.stbernadettesparish.org)

## Ministers of the Eucharist



Group Leader for **May** - **Jim McGettrick**.

### Mass Rota

6p.m. **D. O'Hare, J. McGarvey.**

10a.m. **M. McLaughlin, J. McLaughlin, A. Martin, R. / J. George.**

12p.m. **J. McGettrick, S. McGrath, E. King.**

## Ministers of the Word



Sunday 27th. May - Group 3

**Tom McGonigle, Jacinta Lyons, Moya Beatty, Patricia McFlynn.**

## 500 Club



**Week 35:** Congratulations to the lucky winners in the **Weekly Draw: Sharon McKee & Desmond Malone.**

Each winner receives **£50.**

**Senior Citizens** are invited to an outing to the **Seamus Heaney Centre in Bellaghy** on **Wednesday 6th. June**, Leaving from the church at **9.45a.m.** On arrival, tea/ coffee and biscuits will be served followed by a guided tour. At **2p.m.** a two course meal will be served at **The Old Thatch Inn**, arriving back at the church at **4.45p.m.** A copy of the two course menu will be available at the back of the church from this Sunday. Please write your name and choice of meal or contact **Frances** Tel. 078005 62398.

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## World Meeting of Families 2018



Everyone who registers online to attend one or three days of the **Pastoral Congress** is guaranteed to receive tickets for the **Festival of Families in Croke Park** on **Saturday 25th. August** and the **Final Mass** in the **Phoenix Park** on **Sunday 26th. August**. Those who only wish to register for the **Festival of Families** or the **Final Mass** need to be aware that tickets will be limited. To register online: [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets/](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets/)

The Parishes of our local Pastoral Community (South Belfast), will provide a number of coaches to transport those **who have registered** for the Final Mass (Sunday 26th. August), in the Phoenix Park. To assist with the booking of coaches, those who have registered or intend to register, are asked to contact the **Parish Office** Tel. **9079 3021** Option 1.

## Coffee Morning



A **Coffee Morning & Bun Sale** will take place in the Lounge in the **Parish Centre** this **Sunday** after both Masses hosted by youth Parishioner, **Joseph McSorley**. Joseph will be going to Ohio in the summer on the **Ulster Project** with other youths from Belfast. Please pop in for a cuppa and buns if you have the time or take a few home. Whatever you can give will be gratefully received. Everyone will be very welcome.

## What's On!



**June 3rd. Corpus Christi Procession** from **St. Dominic's High School** to **St. Peter's Cathedral** at **3p.m.** All First Communicants (in their dresses and suits) and the P7 Confirmandi (in school uniform), with their families, are especially welcome to take part.