



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.

Monday 9.30a.m.

Tuesday 7.30p.m. (with Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help)

Wednesday 9.30a.m.

Thursday 9.30a.m.

Friday - No Mass.

Drumbo 9.30a.m. Good Shepherd Church 10a.m.

Saturday 6.00p.m. Vigil Mass with the Folk Choir every second Week.

Holy Days of Obligation 10a.m.

Confessions Saturday 6.45p.m. after the Vigil Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday from 9a.m. to 7.15p.m.

Baptisms On the first Sunday of each month. By appointment only four weeks in advance.

All Masses are streamed live online via the Parish website: www.stbernadettesparish.org

First Reading (Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14.16-19) The Lord is a just judge, who will see to it that the just are vindicated. He is not swayed by human respectability or authority.

Second Reading (2 Timothy 4:6-8.16-18) It is this text that gives us the well-known words that every Christian should hope to be able to speak at their end of this pilgrimage: 'I have fought the good fight. I have run the race. I have kept the faith.' May we be worthy to have those words engraved on our gravestone!

Gospel (Luke 18:9-14) Jesus is at it again! Puncturing the pretensions of the respectable and seeing the loveliness in the outcast. May we make his perspective our own. ©Intercom

Calendar of Feasts

1st. November is the **Feast of All Saints** and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. The **Vigil Mass** will be on **Thursday at 7.30p.m.** Mass on **Friday will be at 10a.m.**

From 12p.m. on 1st. November until midnight on 2nd. November, all who have confessed, received Holy Communion, and prayed for the Pope's intentions can gain one plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory, and reciting one Our Father and the Apostles Creed. This indulgence is only applicable to the souls of the departed.

Confession can be made within the week preceding or following 1st. November and Holy Communion received on any day between 1st. & 8th. November. The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead between these dates may also gain a plenary indulgence subject to the above conditions.

Reflection

Many of our sins, too, can be seen as a happy fault, if they help us to realise how weak we are, how much we depend on God's help and the help of other people. An awareness of our sins, too, can help us in our lives to be far more compassionate and understanding towards others in their sinfulness and weakness. ...we must never lose sight of the God who is always standing by ready to come at our merest signal.

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If you would like to book Anniversary Masses, Baptisms, Marriages etc., please call into the Sacristy or Tel. 9079 3023 Option 2 or send an e-mail to the following address:

info@stbernadettesparish.org.

Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of : **Aidan Fitzpatrick R.I.P.**, of Garland Hill whose funeral Mass took place on Saturday.

Anniversaries

John Smyth, Rose Lavery, Hugh & Eleanor Sloan.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

The **Annual Mass for our Deceased Parishioners and Friends of the Parish** will be celebrated on **Tuesday 12th. November at 7.30pm**. Parishioners who have died since last November will be remembered in a special way. A member of each bereaved family will be invited to place a lighted candle at the memorial in the sanctuary.

This is an occasion for everyone to pray for their own deceased relatives and friends as well as for Parishioners who prayed with us over the years in the celebration of the liturgies in St. Bernadette's.

November Lists of the Deceased are available at the back of the church. Please put completed lists in the collections baskets or into the wall box beside Our Lady's Shrine. The names of the dead will be placed on the altar and will be remembered at each of the Masses this month.

Our **Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group** offers listening and support to those who have been bereaved over the last few years. To speak to someone in confidence Tel. 077 3377 3758.

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues on **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **9a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** New volunteers are always needed to attend so that someone is always present before the Blessed Sacrament. Come and pray for your own needs and for those who need you to pray for them. "Could you not watch one hour with Me?" (Mk 14:34)



Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to £1,528. The **World Mission Sunday** collection raised £988. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

Have you recently moved into St. Bernadette's Parish? You can assist the Parish considerably by taking **Offertory Envelopes** and if you pay tax, the Parish will receive a payment from the Inland Revenue at **no extra cost** to yourself if you sign a **Gift Aid Form**. Just call into the Sacristy after Mass and leave your name and contact details. Please give us your support.



Retirement Association

Thursday 31st. October - Weekly Walk. Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

Friday 1st. November - Ten Pin Bowling at the **Ice Bowl, Dundonald** from 11am. Concession rate £2.20 per game. All members invited to take part.

† Pioneer Pledge

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this sacrifice up for their deceased loved ones. You can do likewise. Pledge Prayer: "**I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November.**"

Notices for the Parish Bulletin should be sent by **e-mail only** to: info@stbernadettesparish.org before 12p.m. each **Thursday**. Anniversary insertions should be sent one week before publication. The latest & past editions of the Parish Newsletter are available on the Parish website at: www.stbernadettesparish.org



Parish Centre News

For information & bookings: Tel. 9079 3023 Option 3 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.

No Mothers & Toddlers today.

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

8p.m. Indoor Bowling Club.

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

Tuesday

7p.m. - 8p.m. Zumba Class.

Wednesday

No Mothers & Toddlers today.

8p.m. Taekwondo.

Thursday

7p.m. Art Class.

Friday

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

3.30p.m. & 4.15p.m. **Playball Classes** for ages 2-9.

Book a **free** trial at: www.playballkids.com

No Youth Club this week!

Saturday

10a.m. Taekwondo.

1.30p.m. Junior Badminton.

Ministers of the Eucharist



November - Group 1.

Team Leader - Maura Presley.

Ministers of the Word



Sunday 3rd. November.

Group 1.

500 Club



Congratulations to the lucky winners in the Draw for **Week 6:** **Thomas Lynch & John Corr.** Each receives £50.

We offer a confidential, non-judgemental service to anyone in need. We can provide direct financial assistance and essential items such as food, fuel, and household items. Do you need our help? Tel. 9035 1561.

Latest News



Dates For Your Diary

Our **Annual Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner** will be held on **Wednesday 11th. December** at 12.30pm in the **Ivanhoe**. More details to follow!

SVP Christmas Cards will be available at Masses on **16th. & 17th. November**. This year instead of a specific price per pack, Parishioners will be invited to make a suitable donation.

Apostolic Workers



We wish to offer our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed so generously to our **Annual Appeal**. The amount raised was £3,000. Your kind donations will greatly assist our missionary, priests, sisters, brothers, & lay workers throughout the world. Help us to help the Missions!

Living Youth



We invite applications to take part in a building project in **Malawi** from **10th.-22nd. August 2020** (tbc). Working with Habitat, this opportunity will enable you to raise vital funds to help build homes in Lilongwe, Malawi for some of the families in need. Costs: Personal Donation £500; Personal Fundraising Target £1800. Visit: info@livingyouthni.org or Tel. 9023 2432. To register visit www.habitatni.co.uk/gvapplication and select **Living Youth** from the drop-down list.

What's On!



October 27th. Bingo in **Holy Rosary Parish Centre** at **6.45pm**. Every Sunday night! A great social family night so why not come along - enjoy the craic and maybe win a few pounds for yourself.

November 2nd. Trócaire's Annual Remembrance Mass in **St. Malachy's Church** at **6pm**, concelebrated by **Bishop Noel Treanor** and by **Fr. Michael McGinnity**. All are welcome!

November 4th. Annual Mass for the Deceased Teachers of Down and Connor in the **Good Shepherd Church** at **7.30pm**. Refreshments afterwards in **Holy Rosary Parish Centre**. Relatives of the deceased, teachers and retired colleagues, pupils and parishioners are all invited. Please forward the name of any deceased teachers in the past year to **Fr. Eddie McGee** Tel. 9049 1886 or e-mail dctrusteeservice@btconnect.com