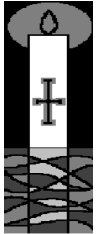




# Parish of St. Bernadette



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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 9a.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 1:1-11)** Opening his *Acts of the Apostles*, the writer begins by referring to his earlier work. Now, another volume is needed to keep up with the wonderful things God is doing!

**Second Reading (Ephesians 1:17-23)** The goodness and beauty of our faith are not simply self-evident: they call for a spirit of wisdom and perception.

**Gospel (Luke 24:46-53)** Jesus has been taken from his followers, yet they are full of joy. How is this possible? Through faith, and prayer! ©Intercom



## Reflection

Today we gather here not only to remember something that happened a long time ago; we are also here to remind ourselves that when Jesus left us he gave us a very important mission. That mission was and is to continue his loving and redemptive presence in the world. Let us ask him today to help us, together with him, to carry out that huge responsibility in the way he wants. ©1999-2019 Living Space



## First Friday Visits

Next Friday is the First Friday of the month. The sick, housebound, and those Parishioners who are in hospital and nursing homes will be attended by the priest during the week. Please remember to pray for the sick of our Parish and those who care for them. Remember also those priests who, after long service in the Diocese, are now in poor health.



## Family Fun Day

The Pastoral Area of South Belfast **Family Fun Day** will take place on **Saturday 15th. June** in the **Parish of Drumbo & Carryduff** from 12p.m. - 4p.m. This **free** event is open to all the families in the area and the Parishes of the South Belfast Forum. All of the events will take place around the Parish Hall. There will be a Petting Farm, inflatables, Superheroes, lots of toddler activities, and much more! Car parking is available at the church car park. All food & drink must be paid for. If you can help out at the event, please call **Fr. Armstrong** Tel. **9079 3023 option 1**.



## Parish Accounts

A summary of the Parish Financial Statement for 2018 is attached. This shows the current financial situation when compared with 2107.

## Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Sister Una Burke PBVM R.I.P.**, the sister of a Parishioner and a member of the Presentation Order, whose funeral took place in Middleton in Co. Cork last Monday.

## Anniversaries

Fr. Harry Carlin, Pauline Meleady, Kieran Close,

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

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

## 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

## The Sacred Heart of Jesus



The month of **June** is traditionally dedicated by the Church to foster devotion to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**. On repeated occasions, Jesus appeared to **Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque**, a Visitation nun, in France, and during these apparitions, He explained to her the devotion to His Sacred Heart. He asked to be honoured in the symbol of His Heart of flesh, for acts of reparation, for frequent Communion, for Communion on the First Friday of the month, for the keeping of the Holy Hour. Perhaps during this special month, each of us may re-dedicate our lives to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. **Special Seven Day Candles** for your prayer intentions during June are available from the Sacristy. These can be placed at the **Sacred Heart Altar**. Price £5 each.

## Eucharistic Adoration



Eucharistic Adoration is at the centre of our life as a Parish community. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** continues on **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **9a.m.** until **7.15p.m.**



## Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,320**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

The monthly collection for the **Support of the Priests** takes place this weekend.



## Retirement Association

**Tuesday 4th. June** - Ormeau Park Bowling at 11a.m.  
**Wednesday 5th. June** - 'All Mod Cons' at The Lyric at 8p.m. A compelling new comedy-drama exploring our capacity to accept change For bookings, contact **Anne** Tel. **9064 3031** as soon as possible.

**Thursday 6th. June** - Weekly Walk at 10.15a.m.

**Friday 7th. June** - Ormeau Park Bowling at 2p.m.

**Wednesday 19th. June** - Visit to **EPIC**, the Irish Emigration Museum in Dublin. Entrance fee €10 per person. Travel by train (concession). For bookings, contact **Seamus** Tel. **077672 71019** *no later than Wednesday 12th. June.*

## Special Appeal

**St. Patrick's Soup Kitchen** needs supplies urgently to cater for a surge in demand. We need tinned soups, tinned vegetables, tuna, coffee, sugar and biscuits; male and female toiletries; baby wipes, nappies and baby toiletries. Please leave all donations at the rear of St. Patrick's Church in Donegall Street.



## 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 after Mass.  
10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.  
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

10.30a.m. Mothers & Toddlers.  
8p.m. - 9.15p.m. Yoga Class.  
8p.m. Taekwondo.

### Thursday

10a.m. - 11a.m. Yoga For All.

### 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 **Tuesday - Friday** this week for P1 - P7 children from **2p.m. - 4p.m.** Call **Sinead** Tel. **07816 779910**.

## Ministers of the Eucharist



June - Group 4.

Team Leader - **Anne Sharvin**.

## Ministers of the Word



Sunday 9th. June

Group 2.

## 500 Club



Congratulations to the lucky winners in the Draw for **Week 37: Betty Quinn & Gerard Presley.**  
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



## Senior Citizens Outing

Our Annual Outing will be on **Wednesday 19th. June** to the beautiful **House and Gardens at Mount Stewart**. The coach will leave from the Parish Centre at **10.15a.m.** Tea and biscuits upon arrival followed by a tour of the House. You can enjoy the gardens at your leisure followed by lunch. We return at 4.30p.m. approx. If you would like to attend please leave your name, number, and menu choice in the special register held in the Sacristy or contact **Frances** Tel. **07800 562398** by **Sunday 9th. June.**

## Diocesan Pilgrimages



The **Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** will take place on **Sunday 9th. June** (The feast of St. Colmcille). A coach will depart from **St. Colmcille's Church** car park, Newtownards Road at **7.30a.m.**, returning at **10.30p.m.** Stopping at the Killyhevlin Hotel for breakfast and for an evening meal on the return journey. Cost: £45 p.p. by **5th. June**. To book, please contact **Geraldine** at the Parish Office Tel. **9065 4157**.

## What's On!



**June 2nd. Cross - Community Charity Walk & Fund-raiser** from the **City Hall** at **2p.m.** for the Sri Lanka victims of the Easter terror attacks. Join us for all or part of the walk to places of worship around the city.

**June 6th. Catholic 'Faith and Reason' talks!** in **St. Malachy's Parish Hall** at **7p.m.** Fr **Conor McDonough** OP will speak on 'Faith vs Science? Think again!'. For more information, contact **Sarah** Tel. **078852 67509**

**June 8th. Cappella Caeciliana and Holy Rosary P.S.** present our end-of-season concert in the **Good Shepherd Church** at **7.30p.m.** with the Key Stage 2 choir of Holy Rosary P.S., directed by **Louis McVeigh**, with organist **Stephen Hamill**. Visit [www.caeciliana.org](http://www.caeciliana.org) for tickets.

**THE PRIESTS** in concert in **St. Bernadette's Church** on **Friday 21st. June** at **8p.m.**

**Tickets £25 (under 19s free) on sale now!**

Debit/ credit card sales online only at: [www.stbernadettesparish.org](http://www.stbernadettesparish.org)

Cash sales: **Matchetts Music, Wellington Place.**

**Bread & Banjo Bakery, 353 Ormeau Road.**

**The Sacristy (after Mass times only).**