



# 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 (Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8)** After forty years of wandering through the wilderness, a new generation, not yet born when the Law was promulgated at Sinai, will now enter with Joshua into the Promised land. Moses reminds the people of all that has been, the amazing things God has done for his chosen and impresses upon them the wisdom of God's Law. Every generation is called to speak God's eternal, timeless truths in contemporary language. We too are called to 'attach the language of faith to the lived experience of life'.

**Second Reading (James 1:17-18,21-22, 27)** These five Sundays of September 2018, we hear from the book of St James, sometimes called the book of practical Christianity, or 'the proverbs of the New Testament'. Faith is more than intellectual assent or slavish obedience to laws; faith is alive, it is active, it expresses itself in right behaviour and attitudes towards self, others and God. Faith brings God's word of truth and justice to the lived experience of life by our care and concern for others.

**Gospel Reading (Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23)** What do I prioritise over all else, and inadvertently make into my god? Why do I find it so easy to point to the faults of others and forget that in pointing my finger I cause three others to point back towards myself! The Pharisees, good people, were so focused on outward behaviours they were blinded to the goodness of God present in their midst. May the goodness of God present in our hearts transform our actions and the world. ©Intercom



## 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.



## Pope Francis

The complete texts of the speeches and homilies given by the Holy Father during his visit to Ireland last week can be found on the **World Meeting of Families 2018** website at: [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Pope-Francis/Papal-Homilies](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Pope-Francis/Papal-Homilies)

Copies of the Holy Father's recent letter to Catholics throughout the world are available in the church porches.

The South Belfast Parish Pastoral Community thanks all those who travelled to Dublin last weekend. We express our gratitude to the officials of the **Knights of St. Columbanus** for organising the coach transport and escorting the pilgrims.



## Reflection

Dear Lord, help me each day to seek your presence more and more. Fill my heart with love for you.

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## Our Faithful Departed



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Josephine McGrory R.I.P.**, whose funeral took place in the Good Shepherd Church on Friday, and for **Patsy Vize R.I.P.**, of Newton Park, whose funeral will take place here on **Monday** at **2.30p.m.**

## Anniversaries

Gerry Lennon, Pat Woods, David McGarrity, James Carney, Kathleen Stuart, Ellen Rennick, Lawrence R. Beirne, Thomas Flanagan, Betty Smith, Joseph Woods, Ben Small, Anne McGlone, Babs Cashman, Annie Ellen Ryan.

Sarah McGowan, Margaret McKenna, Sr. Christopher, Edward O'Hara, Lily Bogues, Jane & James Flynn, Alice Gallery, Maria Coyle, Mary McDonald, Peg Murtagh, Rose Mullan,

May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

## Mass Times



The normal weekday Mass schedule resumes on **Monday** with Mass at **9.30a.m.** On **Tuesday**, Mass will be at **7.30p.m.** with the novena prayers to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

The church will remain open for private prayer each weekday until **6p.m.** (Tuesdays until after the 7.30p.m. Mass).

## Eucharistic Adoration



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will take place on **Tuesday** in the **Lourdes Chapel** from **8a.m.** until **7.15p.m.** Please drop in during the day to spend a little time in silent reflection in the very presence of the Lord.



## Parish Collections

Last week's collection amounted to **£1,343**. Sincere thanks for your generosity.

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

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 6th. September - Weekly Walk.** Meet in the church car park at 10.15a.m.

**Wednesday 19th. September - Visit to the Seamus Heaney Home Place.** A coach will leave the church at 10.15a.m. and return at 4p.m. Cost £15 approx. Booking is essential! Please contact **Geraldine** Tel. **078459 33371**



## 110th. Belfast Scouts

**St. Bernadette's Beavers** have a number of places for boys or girls who wish to join. The group meet on a Tuesday night in the Scout Hall from 6.30p.m. to 7.30p.m. Beavers are aged from 6-8 years. If you are interested, please register your child in the **Scout Hall** on **Tuesday 11th. September** between **6.30p.m.** and **7p.m.** or send your contact details by email to:

**110thbelfastbeaverscouts@gmail.com.**



## Apostolic Workers

We will meet in the **Parish Centre** after morning Mass on **Wednesday 5th. September**. New members will be made most welcome! Please help us to help the Missions!



## Parish Centre News

For information & bookings: Tel. **9079 3023 Option 3** or e-mail: **parishcentre@stbernadettesparish.org**

### Monday

10.15a.m. Drop in for tea/coffee & a chat after Mass.  
7.30p.m. - 8.30p.m. Pilates Class.

**Bowling Club resumes on 10th. September.**

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

### Tuesday

**Zumba Class resumes on Tuesday 11th. September.**

### Wednesday

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

8.15p.m. - 9.30p.m. Relaxation Yoga.

8p.m. Taekwondo.

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

### Friday

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

**Youth Club resumes on Friday 14th. September.**

### 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.**

## Ministers of the Eucharist



**September - Team 3.**

## Ministers of the Word



**Sunday 9th. September - Group 7.**

## 500 Club



**Week 50:** Congratulations to the lucky winners in the **Weekly Draw: Hugh McCann & John McGale.**

Each winner receives £50.

Try your luck at winning some cash! The new cycle of the **500 Club** will begin on **17th. September**. For just £1 per week you have 2 chances weekly to win £50. All annual subscriptions will soon be due, cheques should be made payable to: **St Bernadette's Parish Trust**. A big thank you to all of our promoters and members. If you would like to join the 500 Club, please leave your name, address, and contact number in the sacristy after Mass,

## St. Bernadette's Youth Club



The **Youth Club** has for many years played a key part in the development of young people in the Parish. Many of the them have progressed to become junior leaders which has proved to be a vital part of their development to adulthood and enhanced their future career prospects. The Youth Club provides a safe and controlled environment for young people to socialise and to develop lasting friendships. The current team need immediate help to continue to provide this service to our young people. We need enthusiastic parents and past members with a mix of skills and a keen interest in developing the young people of the Parish. Further information is displayed on the notice boards in the church. If you can help, please express your interest by sending an email to us at:

**saintbernadettesyouthclub@gmail.com**

Child Protection training, induction training and guidance will be provided.

**Youth Club Enrolment** takes place next **Friday 7th. September** from **7p.m. - 7.30p.m.** **Members must be 8 years or older on enrolment.** Parents must attend and agree to supervise at least **one** night for each junior member and **two** nights for each senior member registered. The Club will resume on **Friday 14th. September** at **7p.m. - 8.15p.m.** for **Juniors** and **8.30p.m. - 10p.m.** for **Seniors.**

## What's On!



**September 6th. Our Lady & St Patrick's College, Knock Information Evening** at **7.30p.m.** for the parents of P7 pupils who are seeking entry to Year 8 in September 2019.

**September 9th. Knock Shrine Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage** at **2.30p.m.**

**September 14th. Voice of Hope Community Concert** in **St. Peter's Cathedral** at **7.30p.m.** to mark World Suicide Prevention Day. Tickets £10 from the Cathedral Office Tel. **9032 7573.**

**September 18th. Annual Belfast Pioneer Mass** in **St. Malachy's Church** at **7p.m.** Everyone is welcome. Light refreshments afterwards.