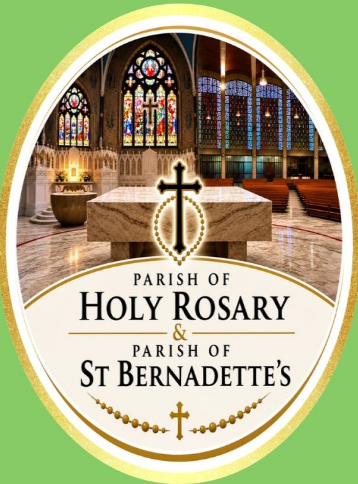




MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH
Vigil 6.00pm & 11am

HOLY ROSARY PARISH
9am, 10.30am & 12.30pm

WEEKDAYS
St Bernadette's Parish:
Mon, Tues & Wed 9.30am
Holy Rosary Parish:
Thurs, Fri & Sat 10.00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Good Shepherd church Saturday **10.30am**
St. Bernadette's church Saturday **5.15pm**

BAPTISMS
(Prior booking via Parish Office)
Holy Rosary Church: Third Sunday of the month at 2p.m.
St Bernadette's Church: First Saturday of the month at 2p.m.

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Holy Rosary Parish Office (028) 90642446 Option 2
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More Information and resources:
holyrosaryparishbelfast.net and www.st.bernadettesparish.org

COME AND SING WITH US!

St. Bernadette's Parish Choir is looking for new members! We return to our musical duties on **Sunday 6th September**, singing each week at the **11.00am Sunday Mass**, with a rehearsal beforehand.

There are no auditions, and you don't need to be an experienced singer - just someone who enjoys singing and would like to be part of our choir. We warmly welcome singers of all ages, so if you've ever thought about joining us, now is the perfect time to give it a try!

For more information, speak to Marty Lavery, our organist and choir director, or to any member of the choir.

Down and Connor Cantor Training

Adults (18+) involved in parish music are invited to take part in Cantor Training at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Dunloy. Training takes place on Saturday 3 October, 17 October and 7 November, from 10.00am to 3.00pm (registration from 9.30am). Attendance at all three days is required for commissioning as a parish cantor. To request an application form, contact your parish office.



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY

6th September

Readings: A (I) ♦ Psalter: Week 3



? LIFE AFTER ALPHA ?

INVITATION TO CONTINUE THE JOURNEY

ChristLife 'FOLLOWING CHRIST' Course



When Jesus called his first Disciples he said, "Come Follow Me." He still makes that call to us today. The 'ChristLife' series is an opportunity for you to respond to that call and continue that journey you embarked upon with Alpha. **FOLLOWING CHRIST** is a 7-week course with a one day Retreat to help you grow as a disciple of Jesus. The course will commence on **TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2026 at 7:00pm** in **HOLY ROSARY PARISH CENTRE, 503 Ormeau Road, BT7 3GR**.

Each evening will follow a format similar to the Alpha Course and include a video presentation and small group discussions each evening.

We will also have time for tea and coffee and a little something to eat!

The evening should last no more than a couple of hours.

To register for '**FOLLOWING CHRIST**' course, please send your full name, your e-mail address and preferably your mobile telephone number to **stbrigids@downandconnor.org**

A short information video can be found here:
christlife.org/about/christlife-process/following-christ/

[St Bernadette's Third World Group - Lima Mission](#)

Father Coney and staff members from St Bernadette's Children's Centres in Lima will be speaking at St Bernadette's Masses **Sat 5th & Sunday 6th September**. Their aim is to thank the Sponsors for their continued support over many years, and at the same time promote the sustainability of the projects. The Third World Group is collecting annual sponsorship payments after both Masses this weekend and also on **12th & 13th September**. If you would like to sponsor a child within the Centres please speak to us after Mass. We will be happy to give further details.

Many thanks to all sponsors for your continued support.

[FÁILTE - WELCOME GROUP](#)

There will be a get together of the group and new members in the coffee lounge (St Bernadette's parish centre) on the **13th September after 11am mass**.

We are blessed to have 16 members and would be delighted if more parishioners came along to join us. You will find it to be a very worthwhile and enriching ministry to be part of. Beannacht Dia libh.

[HLI Ireland](#)

Fr Lawrence Carney (USA), international speaker and popular author, Provincial Tour of Ireland. Join us for the Ulster event at the Canal Court Hotel, Newry, on Tuesday 29th September at 6:45pm, with a First Class Relic of St Thérèse. Free admission.

[THE WEST BELFAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY](#)

The September **Friday the 11th of September at 7.30pm** in St. Michael's Parish Centre, The September talk is entitled: "The Lusitania and the U Boat Campaign 1914 -1918"

The guest speaker will be Mr Michael McConway

[The Chosen – Season 2 at the Belfast Jesuit Centre](#)

Weekly screenings of *The Chosen: Season 2* will take place each Friday at the Belfast Jesuit Centre. Tea/coffee at **10.45am**, episode at **11.00am**, followed by a reflective Examen and discussion. All are welcome; no registration required.

Episode dates: **11 Sept, 18 Sept, 25 Sept, 2 Oct, 9 Oct, 16 Oct, 23rd October**. Contact: **bjc@jesuit.ie** 07955 282371

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

Holy Rosary: £1997.00
St. Bernadette's: £1065.52

Many thanks for your continued generosity and support

The Monthly Offering Collection for the support of the priests will be taken up this weekend, after Communion. The Building Fund Collection will be taken up next week, in Holy Rosary. Collection offering can be made by standing order or the Dona machines in the church porch.

[St Bernadette's Parish Centre](#)
for all bookings and enquiries please email:
stbernadettes@downandconnor.org

[Holy Rosary Senior Citizens](#)
Senior Citizens monthly meet-up returns after summer break on Monday 7th September at 8pm. New members very welcome.

[St Bernadette's Retirement Group](#)
St Vincent de Paul have invited us to join them for their trip to Mount Stewart on Thursday 17th September.

If you're interested please phone Frances 07800562398 or leave your name in the sacristy.

Welcome back after our beautiful summer.

We hope to see you at our next coffee morning on Wednesday 23rd September after Mass.

New members are welcome. £5 registration.

Our Thursday weekly walk: we meet at 10:15 in the church carpark. All members are welcome to join in at any time.

[B.I.N.G.O is back, we're hoping for a FULL HOUSE!](#)
18th October & 15th November



REST IN PEACE

Recently Deceased:

Georgia Ann Nugent
Joesph Rollins
Michael McKinney
Philip Smith
Edward (Teddy) Dickson
Thomas (Tommy) Napier
Patrick (Pat) McCarney
Frank Maguire
Gerald (Gerry) Henvey

Anniversaries:

Raymond Glover (6pm)
Laura Heaney (9am)
Denis Carey (10.30am)
Eileen Higgins & Paul Cavana (12.30pm)
David Carville, Joesph Woods,
Francis McGinty

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord