



Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

Fifth Sunday of Lent

21st March 2021, Year B, Psalter Week 1

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Public Mass to resume on Saturday 27th March (see times on [next page](#))

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am & 12 noon

Weekday Mass

Monday: 7:00 pm

Tuesday: 9.30 am

Wednesday: 9.30 am

Thursday: 9.30 am

Friday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 12 noon

Confession – beginning Holy Week (see times on [next page](#))

~~Monday: 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm~~

~~Friday: 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm~~

~~Saturday: 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm & 5.30 pm – 6:00 pm~~

Eucharistic Adoration

~~Monday 7.30 pm – 8.00 pm~~

Baptisms

1 months' notice required

Please contact the Parish Office

Marriages

6 months' notice required.

Please contact Fr O'Donnell

Bulletin Notices

Bulletin Notices must be with the Parish Office by **12 noon on**

Thursday to be included in the weekend bulletin. Thank you.

Sign up to our
Electronic
Mailing List
[Click HERE](#)

The Parish Office will reopen to the Public from Friday 26th March.

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First Reading: Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah Jer 31:31-34
I will make a new covenant and never call their sin to mind.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 50:3-4.12-15
R/. A pure heart create for me, O God.

Second Reading: Reading from the letter to the Hebrews. Heb 5:7-9
He learnt to obey and became for all the source of eternal salvation.

Gospel: Gospel according to John Jn 12:20-30
If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Anniversary List

Please pray for John O'Sullivan and Muredach Dynan recently deceased, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Sadie McGowan, Patrick Smyth, Dermot McGale, Hugh Thompson, Sheila Mary Murtagh, Jim McSparran, Frank Jordan, Noreen McDonagh, Brian Gregory, Michael, Julia and Patrick Agnew, Paul Bready, Francis McManus

May they rest in peace

Praying During Lent

We have uploaded to our Parish Website "**Reflections and Prayers for Lent**" which consists of reflections on scripture, selected passages from Pope Francis and praying the Our Father for each day of the week during Lent.

Go to our Parish Website and click on **The Liturgy** then [Lent and Easter 2021](#)

TRÓCAIRE CAMPAIGN

Trócaire are appealing to you to continue your support this Lent. Resources, prayers and videos are available on www.trocaire.org and donations can be made to the Lent campaign in the following ways:

1. **Online at** www.trocaire.org/donations/now/
2. **By phone:** 0800 912 1200 (Northern Ireland)
3. *If you can improvise and collect at home, donations can be brought to the church at Easter*

Double your impact with UK Aid Match

Your love can make all the difference this Lent. Donations from Northern Ireland or the UK made *before 16 May 2021* will be *doubled* by the UK government up to £2m.

St Brigid's Apostolic Work

The Apostolic Work donated **£3,000** to the Catholic Chaplaincy for the **Syria Lenten Appeal** (Fr. Fouad's work).

You can donate to the Apostolic Work through your bank by a **single payment** or set up a **standing order** and credit Apostolic Work (**Account No: 00067017** at **A.I.B Sort code: 93-80-92**). Cheques made payable to Apostolic Work.

Further information available from Thérèse O'Reilly through the parish office. Thank you for your continued support and God Bless you all.

Syria Lenten Appeal

Fr Fouad heads the Jesuit Refugee Service in Syria. JRS supports centres in Damascus, Homs, and Aleppo, striving to provide very basic hygiene care, food, and education, for the many hundreds, of mostly street children, who come to the centres.

We are presently exploring various ways we can support Fr Fouad's work, but immediately, we are organising an **Easter Raffle** to raise funds for him.

Prizes Include:

Apple MacBook, Apple Watch, Colin Davidson Limited Edition Print, Luxury Hampers, Ray Ban Sunglasses, Case of Wine and Vouchers!

Tickets are priced at £5 each and can be purchased here:

<https://raffall.com/199669/enter-raffle-to-win-easter-fundraiser-for-jrs-syria-hosted-by-the-catholic-chaplaincy-at-queens-university-belfast>

The Draw will take place on Good Friday, 2021.

If you prefer to make a donation, **St Brigid's Third World Group** has kindly agreed to facilitate this. You can make an electronic transfer to their bank account:

Sort Code: 90-22-07 **Account Number:** 68825172

(If you are a taxpayer and wish to gift aid your donation, please insert house number and post code in the Reference Box when making the payment.)

If you prefer to pay by cheque/cash, contact Kevin or Rosalie: 07525634440 / 07887708788

We are confident of your support.

Fr Edward O'Donnell, PP and Fr Dominic McGrattan, Chaplain

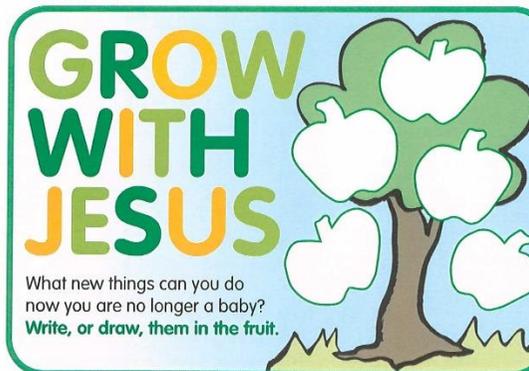
Welcome to St Brigid's Children's Liturgy Corner!



Sunday 21 March 2021
John 12: 20-33
5th Sunday of Lent

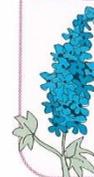
My name is _____

Jesus explains that even though he will die, he will come back to live in an even better way, just like when a little seed dies, and comes back to life as a wonderful plant.

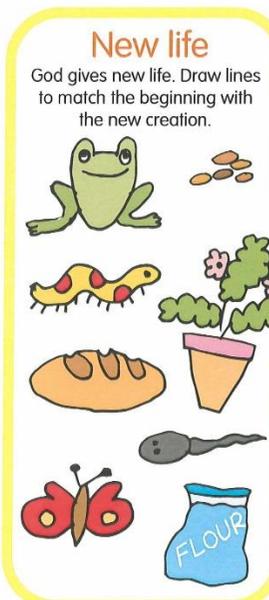


Finish the story by using these words

flowers leaves disappeared plant seed green



One day the children planted a _____. They were sad because it _____ into the earth. After a while they noticed a little _____ shoot where the seed had been. Mummy said it was the seed growing into a _____. Soon there were more _____. In the end it was a beautiful plant with lots and lots of _____.



New life

God gives new life. Draw lines to match the beginning with the new creation.

Climb the mountain

Noah wants to climb the mountain. He will have some challenges on the way. Help him to find a path through the difficulties so that he can reach the summit. Find a path by colouring all the squares with numbers that can be divided by 2.



A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Father in heaven, we know that when we do difficult things we grow braver and stronger. Help us to grow stronger in love by giving up what we want and helping others. Amen.

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You can also find the A4 Printable Worksheets on our Parish Website (select Parish Groups & click [Children's Liturgy](#)) and our [Facebook Page](#). Please enjoy and have lots of fun completing these with your children each week!