

REFLECTION: In St Matthew's Gospel he gives us five sermons of the Lord. Jesus speaks to us in parable, seven in total and in Biblical terms seven denotes completion. In these parables of the kingdom we have a complete teaching from Jesus about the Kingdom of Heaven. Today we have the first of these parables about the sower. Here Jesus asks us to reflect on why some people hear the Word of God and some do not.

This week the Prayers of our Liturgy, Mass and Divine Office are all from the Fifteenth Week of the Year except.:

Wed. 15th: St Bonaventure (1221- 1274): Born in Tuscany he was an early member of the Franciscans and became Minister general of the Order. He was called to be Archbishop of Albano and was also appointed a Cardinal. He was a theologian at the Council of Lyons and an author of many Biblical commentaries and mystical and spiritual works. Many of his prayers are still included in the prayer books of today.

Thurs. 16th. Our Lady of Mount Carmel: This devotion to Our Lady links her with Mount Carmel in Israel, the site of the Prophet Elijah's altar to the one true God and of the 12th century hermit forerunners of the Carmelite Order. Today's feast celebrates Mary as a model of reflection, solitude and prayer.



St Brigid's Church will be open this Sunday for private visits and prayer from 12noon until 2pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for Confession. Monday and Tuesday the Church will be open from 11am until 1pm and from Wed – Sat the opening time will be 9.30am – 11.30am. This new time will incorporate Morning Mass at 10am which from Wednesday we can celebrate with a restricted number of people present. The Church will also be open Monday to Friday evenings from 6pm till 7pm for private prayer. I am very grateful to those who have volunteered their time to provide the necessary stewards we must have to allow the Church to be open.

Enter the Church by main door and exit is by side door on left near the Sacristy. Our volunteer Stewards will be on hand to guide and direct.

Baptisms and Marriages can now be celebrated with a maximum of twenty people.

The Sacrament of Penance in Sacristy at times shown in Bulletin and by appointment with me (just phone) or any priest you choose.

Funerals can now be celebrated in Church but again with only twenty mourners to be chosen by the family of deceased present in Church.

I continue to offer Mass privately daily at 10am for your intentions.

The date for restricted opening of the Church came a week earlier than expected. We can celebrate Mass with a maximum of fifty people but with two metre social distance respected. Our Church can accommodate about twenty six individual places but families do not need this distance and also families who can create "a bubble" with another family. This leaves us scope to reach closer to the fifty allowed.

Morning Mass from Wednesday will be open on a first come basis. The only Masses to be booked are Saturday vigil at 5.30pm and Sunday morning at 11am. These can be booked on Web page "Eventbrite" Log on to Eventbrite.com.uk. search for which mass you wish to attend, click purchase ticket (no fee), complete the form. You will be asked to fill in your details and those others in your group as well. 45 spaces are available on Eventbrite for each Mass and they will be available again on first come, first served. Print your ticket or copy to your phone. The site will be available from each Wednesday. You have to book each week. Mass will continue to be streamed.

Face covering is essential apart from those exempt because of age or a health problem. Enter church by front door where you will find a box to place your envelope or Offertory contribution. Sanitise your hands and steward will show you to your seat. Communion is in the hand only and at very end of Mass. Step two paces away from priest or Minister and swallow the Sacred Host then directly leave church by side door. You can spend a moment of contemplation at the Calvary Shrine.

Time-table for streamed Mass from St Brigid's through our Parish Facebook Page:

Today, Sunday Mass at 11am, Monday-Saturday Morning Mass at 10am.

I will be away for ten days from Thursday but Fr Damien Gilhooley will be here for Mass each day.

The Parish still depends on your generosity during this time for the usual upkeep and expenses of the Parish. Thank you for your great response to this appeal. If it is possible post your offertory envelopes, months mind and anniversary intentions and 300 Club contributions through the Parish House Letterbox. The weekly contribution for a number in the 300 Club is £1. I think I had a half price offer last week but Pat Cahill has it back to full price. Please if you can see fit to take a number give Pat a ring on 01698 292421.

Please consider the usefulness of a Standing Order or Bank transfer especially if you are now used to On-Line Banking. If you can do that I can provide you with Parish Bank details. Just phone or perhaps better send me a text to hpkelly@stbrigid.org.uk

The weekly Bulletin is placed on both Parish Facebook page and on our Web-site and there will be copies to pick up at Church on private visits. Your Mass Intentions can be handed in at Parish House and Mass Cards for deceased can be obtained from me also.

PARISH INCOME: Sun. 28th June 2020: Offertory £ 570.00. Donation £25.00.

Sun. 5th July. Offertory £725.00 Donation: £50.00

Thank you to all who have been so generous contributing during these awkward times.

300 CLUB WINNERS: WEEK 27: Sunday 5th July 2020:

£ 100 Prize No. **364.** Thomas Murphy, 30 Banavie Road, Newmains.

£ 25 Prize No. **274.** Eddie Meechan, 198 Bonkle Road, Newmains.

Please continue to support our 300 Club. Payments can be handed in to Chapel house in an envelope with your name and marked 300 Club or Contact Pat Cahill on 01698 292421



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WISHAW HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: Fr Lewis Mendy (Chaplain) can be contacted through the Hospital on 01698 361100 or St Bernadette's, Motherwell 01698 263945, Assistant Chaplain, Deacon Henry McKenna 07792 913166 (24hrs) The Hospital can only be visited during this emergency by the Official Chaplains

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS: Priests for Scotland continue to promote vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. A new initiative from them is to encourage us all to pause for a moment each day at 4pm and ask the Lord to inspire Vocations among our young people. Four o'clock is the traditional reckoning of the moment St Andrew heard the call of Jesus to be His apostle.

WE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Canons Michael Walsh, Con O'Leary and Herbert Flack, Frs. Francis McGachey, Aidan D'Arcy and Vincent Lockhart, James Trainer, Cheryl Dougan, Jacqueline Lowrie, Alec Penman, Nicola Robinson, Winnie Docherty, Winifred Miller, Norma Nichols, Matthew McDonald, Frankie Flaherty, Anne Slavin Fadden, Liz Kelly, Hugh Wright, Patricia Hughes, Ashley Pinion, Maureen McKellor, Susan Curran, Letitia McGeechan, John Bryson, Robert Walker, Kerr Little (age 14), Ciara Gallagher, Frankie McQuade, May Campbell (Gourock), James Brennan (Boston), Ciara Cassidy (Glasnevin, Dublin), Lauren Feeney (Houston), Shirley McDowell, Pat O'Brien, Suzanne Welsh (Shotts), Agnes Hillan, Rebecca (Penman) Braughton (Prestwick), John Reardon, Kathleen Welsh (Coltness), Helen Craig (Pather), Alicia Crilly (Coatbridge). Geraldine Burns, Irene Littlejohn (Lanark).

R.I.P.: Bridget Daly (King St), Mary Hendry (Kilmichael Ave), Seamus Slevin (Bangor, Co. Down), Marlene McGuinness (Christ the King, Holytown). Audrey Burns (Blackpool),

MONTHS MINDS: George Tweedlie, Tom Hannah, Margaret Gunn, deceased members of the Mearns and Gillies families, John and Katie Foy, Mary Calderhead, Bridie Farnon.

ANNIVERSARIES: Miss Gault (10th anniversary), Gordon Stewart, Kenneth and Elizabeth Macrae, Jim and Ellen Dolan, Danny and Jim dolan, Tommy and Annie McBrearty, deceased members of the McBrearty family, Theresa Lennon, Nan Ferris, Sadie Drage, Maria da Gloria Azevedo, Susan Mearns,



Parish Website:
www.stbrigid.org.uk

ST BRIGID'S NEWMAINS

(Scottish Charity No. SC011041)

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR (A)

PARISH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 12th JULY 2020

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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY (St Brigid's)	11am (Streamed)	Next Sunday 11am (Streamed)
MON – TUES	10am (privately)	(Streamed)
WED - SAT	10am (with restricted attendance)	(Streamed)
PRAYER IN CHURCH	SUN. 12noon – 2pm MON-TUES 11am -1pm	With Exposition.
MASS and PRAYER	WED - SAT 9.30am – 11.30am MON. – FRI. 6pm-7pm	Contact Fr Hugh on 01698 297037
CONFESSIONS	SUN. 12noon- 2pm	