

**REFLECTION:** Good and Evil. This is still the essence of Jesus' preaching. In two short parables He likens the search for the Kingdom of Heaven to someone who finds treasure in a field, or a merchant who finds a pearl of great value. Both work hard to acquire what they value. The dragnet resembles last week's parable about the weeds but with another dimension. The boat must be rowed so that the net can catch fish. Disciples He tells us are to harvest souls. Only God may judge good from bad. God values the harvest and the harvest He wants is not our power, wealth or position. It is our mind and heart he seeks and He call us all to work hard for this harvest.

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

**Wed. 29th: St Martha:** The sister of Lazarus and Mary is a woman of faith who made her profession of faith in Christ as the Son of God and in the Resurrection.

**Fri. 31st. St Ignatius of Loyola (1491 - 1556):** From the North West of Spain, his first career was a military one, a mercenary soldier. Although a baptised Christian he was lax in his practice of the Faith, his career was more important. A serious injury led to a long spell in hospital and an even longer spell of convalescence and it was during this time that prayer, reflection on the scriptures and reading the lives of the saints led to a complete inner conversion and a sense that he should serve the Lord better. He went to study in Paris and there drew together a group of young men filled with his vision. This was the beginning of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) and by the time of his death it had spread widely and had over one thousand members. To serve God and God's greater glory was his great theme and is still the motto of The Jesuits.

**Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> August. St Alphonsus Mary Liguori (1696 – 1787).** A man of faith, his first calling was to be a lawyer, but always a desire to serve god as a priest. He founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (The Redemptorists), became Bishop and teacher, renowned for teaching on Moral theology and the Spiritual life.



The Church will be open from 9.30am – 11.30am Monday till Saturday for private prayer and our Morning Mass at 10.00am. The numbers for Mass are restricted to fifty. On our week-days it is a case of first come, first served and our volunteer stewards will assist you. Monday till Friday Church is also open for private prayer from 6pm – 7pm. Saturday Evening Church will be open from 5pm for our Vigil Mass at 5.30pm. On Sunday morning Church will open at 10.30am for our Sunday morning Mass at 11am. These masses are also restricted to fifty people attending subject to demands of social distancing. Places for these masses must be booked in advance on the booking web-page Eventbrite.co.uk where you will find St Brigid's Parish, Newmains and the option to book for Saturday Vigil Mass or Sunday morning 11am Mass. This page will be available each week till normality returns. Our masses will continue to be streamed.

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. Face covering is essential apart from those who are exempt because of age or health reasons.

Baptisms and Marriages can now be organised but with severely restricted numbers.

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

Funerals can now be celebrated in Church with Mass but with an attendance of only twenty people to be chosen by family of deceased.

**Time-table for streamed Masses from St Brigid's through our Parish Facebook Page or through the Live Strem button on Parish Web Page:**

**Saturday Vigil Mass at 5.30pm. Sunday Morning Mass at 11am.**

**Monday – Saturday Morning Mass at 10am.**

**There will be disruption this week due to roadworks on Newton Drive. Vehicle access may be difficult.**

The weekly Bulletin is placed on both Parish Facebook page and on our Web-site so you can keep in touch. Your Mass Intentions can be handed in at Parish House and Mass Cards for deceased can be obtained from me also.

**PARISH INCOME:** Sun.19<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Offertory: £745.00. Donations £140.00.

Votive Candles: £215.00

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

Anyone or any family who have moved into our Parish should register with the Parish. You can drop your details through the Parish House Letterbox or e-mail them to me at the address on front of Bulletin. This is a time when Parish and Diocese will need the support of everyone.

**300 CLUB WINNERS: WEEK 29:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020:

£ 100 Prize No. **288.** John Kennedy, 10 Ferguson Drive, Morningside.

£ 25 Prize No. **246.** Mary Cahill, 37 Muirhouse Ave. 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 if you would like a number in the Draw. The weekly contribution for a number in the 300 Club is £1. Any profits go to our Parish Funds.

Last week the lucky winners received a doubled prize it being the holiday bonus.



**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), Patricia Slevin (Belfast) Sr Rosaria OSF (Glasgow).

**R.I.P.:** Campbell Kearney (Spey Court), Jimmy McGeady (Donegal).

**MONTHS MINDS:** Tricia McLean, John and Liz Brown, Ben and Peggy Jamieson, Clayton Calderhead, Margaret Hunstone, James Murphy Hunstone, Charlie millar, Sheila Kelly.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Edward Keegan, Tommy Imrie, Peter Murphy, Elizabeth Gallagher,



**Parish Website:**  
[www.stbrigid.org.uk](http://www.stbrigid.org.uk)

**ST BRIGID'S NEWMAINS**  
(Scottish Charity No. SC011041)  
**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)**  
**PARISH BULLETIN**  
**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JULY 2020**



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<b>MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK</b>			
SUNDAY (St Brigid's)	Sat. Vigil 5.30pm and Sun. Morning 11am (both entrance by ticket and also Streamed)	Next Sunday 5.30pm vigil and 11am masses (Ticket and Streamed)	
MON – SAT	10am (restricted numbers)	(Streamed)	
PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH Sacrament of Sick.	SUN. 10.30 till 12.30pm MON-SAT 9.30 till 11.30am MON- FRI. 6pm-7pm	Contact Fr Hugh on 01698 297037	

