

REFLECTION: The Liturgy celebrates the Trinity rather than providing a Theology of the Mystery of the Trinity. We celebrate in the presence of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus outlines this for us beautifully in His words to Nicodemus “ God sent His Son into the world so that the world might be saved.” We begin and end today’s and every day’s Liturgy in the name of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

Tues. 9th. St. Columba of Iona (c520 - 597): He was born of a noble family at Gartan near Letterkenny in Donegal. He became a monk at Clonard, studied at Glasnevin and from there founded his own monastery at Derry. Other foundations followed, notably at Durrow and then with a group of monks he sailed to Iona in 563 and established a monastery where he would live until his death in 597. Although St Columba never left Iona his monks evangelized most of the Highland areas of Scotland and were influential in the founding of the monasteries of North East England from Lindisfarne.

Thurs. 11th. St Barnabas: Barnabas was a Cypriot Jew, Joseph his original name who became prominent in the early Church in Jerusalem and given the name Barnabas by the Apostles. He became an Apostle by extension, one of the outstanding converts of the diaspora. He introduced the convert Paul into the Church in Jerusalem. Later he went back to Cyprus with Paul preaching the Gospel and it was there he was martyred. In the Acts of the Apostles he is referred to as “a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith”.

Sat. 13th . St Anthony of Padua (1195-1231): Born in Lisbon at the age of 15 he joined the Augustinian Order but inspired by the martyrdom of five early Franciscans he had known he joined this new Order of Franciscans in 1221. He preached in Italy and France with amazing effect. He died in Padua in 1231 and his Shrine there attracts many pilgrims to this day.



PARISH NEWS



As a Parish we continue our prayers and hopes for the re-opening of our Church. This week-end the Bishops of Scotland have issued a Pastoral Letter concerning this and this will be available on Parish Facebook Page and also our Parish Web-Page. What is obvious is that “Social Distancing” will be in place for some time to come. It means most seats in our Church will be sealed off and careful hygiene practices must be adhered to. What I need is volunteers to act as stewards and all new volunteers will need to adhere to Church’s Safeguarding rules. For this reason I am asking you to volunteer now by text or e-mail in order that we can be ready in time and know what we must do.

Baptisms and Marriages are postponed. The Sacrament of Penance is by appointment with me or any priest you choose. Funerals will only involve the Burial at Cemetery or Committal at Crematorium with only priest and immediate family and close friends. A private Mass will be offered on the day of burial with a Memorial Mass to be arranged after normal times return. I continue to offer Mass privately daily at 10am for your intentions.

I would love to give you clearer knowledge of when we look to be back to normal but I have no idea when this will be. Our hope is that we will open for private prayer soon then Mass with reduced congregations and finally normality. I have not forgotten our young people due to receive Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. You will be our priority so keep praying, preparing and shout out to our God to take this Virus away.

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 and on Thursday 11th June Devotions in honour of the Sacred Heart at 6pm and next Sunday Mass at 11am.

I thank all of you who have switched on to the Mass and Devotions we have streamed so far. We will continue to work at it in the hope we can improve it.

This is a time too to return to the importance of family and personal prayer. The Rosary and Stations of the Cross are powerful ways to pray at home, pleading with the Lord to quickly take the weight of this present cross from our shoulders.

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.

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 I would be grateful for your support.

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.31st May 2020. Offertory: £725.00. Thank you to all who have been so generous contributing during these awkward times.

300 CLUB WINNERS: WEEK 21: Sunday 31st May 2020:

£ 100 Prize No. **285.** Tommy Cullen, 33 Newton Drive, Newmains.

£ 25 Prize No. **264.** Michael and Lorraine Cunningham, 4 Goddard Place, 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



DIOCESAN NEWS



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.

This Sunday the Church celebrates the 60th anniversary of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the 25th Anniversary of the Papal Document "Ut Unum Sint" or "That we all may be one". It is the prayer of Jesus and it must be our prayer also. Great differences separate the various strands of Christianity but Jesus is at the heart of every Christian Community and our prayer should be constant to the Holy Spirit, the breath of life in the Christian Church that we can come ever closer to the unity Jesus himself prayed for.

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, Mary Hendry, Bridget Daly, Ashley Pinion, Maureen McKellor, Susan Curran, Letitia McGeechan, John Bryson, Robert Walker, Kerr Little (age 14), Ciara Gallagher, Frankie McQuade, May Campbell (Gourrock), 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), Mary Burke (Giffnock), Helen Craig (Pather), Alicia Crilly (Coatbridge).

MONTHS MINDS: John Hainey, Michael and Margaret Burns, Betty Lynch, Angelina and Gordon Campbell, Pat, Gerard and Kenneth Calderhead, Mary O'Brien, Jim Kelly, Lily and Frank Gibbons, Lynn Murphy Hill, Tommy Geraghty,

ANNIVERSARIES: Agnes Hainey, James Hinds, Joe and Nancy Totten, Pat and Betty Sloan, Edward and Margaret McGunnigal, May and Pat Douglas, John McCauley, Agnes and Peter Gordon.



Parish Website:
www.stbrigid.org.uk

ST BRIGID'S NEWMAINS

(Scottish Charity No. SC011041)

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PARISH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 7th JUNE 2020



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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY (St Brigid's)	11am (Streamed)	Next Sunday 11am (Streamed)
MON – SAT	10am (privately)	(Streamed)
THURS. 11th	6pm Devotions in honour of Sacred Heart of Jesus.	Streamed.
CONFESSIONS and Sacrament of Sick.	By appointment.	Contact Fr Hugh on 01698 297037