



St. Anthony's Parish, Belfast

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PUBLIC MASS TIMES—COVID-19 ERA (will be under assessment/review)

Saturday Evening at 6.30pm. (English Parish Mass)

Sunday Morning (in Polish): 9am, & 7pm. (English Parish Mass): 11.30am

Weekdays: (Mon Private 9:30am), Tues & Thurs at 9.30am. Fri at 7.00pm. All Public English Masses on Facebook. Polish Weekday Masses: Tues & Thurs 7pm, Sat 9am

Confessions: By Arrangement. **Baptisms:** By Appointment

Local SVP Conference contact details: 028 90351561

<https://www.svp.ie/stbernadettessouthandeastbelfastappeal>



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."

It was forty days before he thought he could leave them. He wasn't ready and neither were they.

Jesus, put your Gospel in our hearts too, as you put it in theirs; and also within our minds and souls.

Let us take your Word to every living creature, in daylight and in the dark of night, from housetops, pulpits and within every town.

Consecrate us in your truth: as you are one in love with the Father and the Spirit, make us one in your love. Amen

Anne Osdieck

WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED LOVED-ONES

Recently Deceased: Desmond Logan, Barry John O'Mahony, Michael Withington (Sun 16th May at 11:30am)

Anniversaries: Mairead Hughes, Robert Dunn Jnr, Robert Dunn Snr, Emily Shields, Alan McDonagh, Hugh Crilly (Sat 15th May at 6:30pm)

COLLECTIONS: Many thanks for your support. Weekly Collection £666.15. New boxes of envelopes are available for collection. **DONATE Online Donate Button on Website**

We would appreciate that if you send in a cheque to pay for a number of different donations, that you itemise what amount should go to each collection.

Safety Arrangements during the COVID-19 Health Emergency with the Resumption of Public Worship in the Churches

1. Masks MUST be worn (unless someone is exempt as outlined in public health agency guidance).
2. Use Hand Sanitizer (available at the Church doors and other positions).
3. As many can be infected without exhibiting any symptoms, please sign in the Track & Trace details, either on the sheet provided or using the QR code which can be scanned via smartphone, so that if anyone tests positive and who perhaps had attended the church, other attendees can be quickly contacted and asked to self-isolate for 10 days. Name and Telephone no, one per family/bubble.
3. Keep the 2m Social Distance in mind when sitting in the pews & approaching for Holy Communion. Follow directions from the stewards.
4. Whatever you bring with you into the Church, please take with you when you leave, including missalette and bulletin.

For a full statement by the Northern Bishops, see <https://www.downandconnor.org/blog/2021/03/17/17-march-2021-statement-northern-bishop-resumption-public-worship-friday-26th-march/>

Diocesan Masses and Services on webcams/online. See list at: www.downandconnor.org including link to **Parish of St Anthony, Belfast** Facebook page for Live broadcasting of Mass. Times of Mass for Weekend and Weekday are: **English: Sat vigil 6:30pm, Sun 11:30am, Mon (Private), Tues & Thurs 9:30am, Friday 7pm (Facebook Live)**

PLEASE NOTE: No Masses this week until Saturday 22nd May at the 6:30pm vigil.

Mary's Meals

1) Support for Tigray in Ethiopia. Due to civil war, refugees are being fed and cared for with the help of Mary's Meals, working with other charities. Any donations can be given to any representative of Mary's Meals, and will be very welcome. See www.marysmeals.co.uk for more.

2) Prayer in May. The month of May is traditionally dedicated to the Virgin Mary and we invite you to consider joining with parishes across the country to pray for the work of Mary's Meals. Our mission is carried out in Our Lady's name to feed children a daily school meal in some of

the world's poorest communities. Please support us in one or more of the following ways: ●Include a bidding prayer for Mary's Meals at Mass ●Pray the Rosary for our work ●Host a Holy Hour ●Ask parish prayer groups to organise a time of prayer for Mary's Meals

Willowfield Food Bank and Willowfield Church of Ireland Halls are open again. Hours are 10am—2pm on Thursdays. Help by donating any foods or toiletries for families finding times difficult, especially over this last year. Anything you can give is very welcome.

Marian Month of May Marathon of Prayer for an end to the Pandemic. Pope Francis urges Catholics to pray in May for an end to Covid-19 pandemic. The pope invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic. The initiative, behind which the Pope has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world. The Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelization announced the news with a press release on Wednesday afternoon. It takes place under the theme "The whole Church was fervently praying to God," which recalls a verse in the Book of Acts (12:5). See Booklet in the porch for details. Each day will see Vatican News broadcast the recitation of the Rosary at 6pm Rome time from the various Shrines taking part in the initiative. The Pope will also close the initiative on 31st May with another specially-broadcast Rosary. Further details can be found on <https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>. The Pope and the Church around the world join together imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear.

"The Healing Power of Poetry" with Sr Una Agnew SSL PhD. hosted by Drumalis via Zoom from 10:30 am – 12:00 noon (20 & 27 May and 3 June) Focusing on the poets Patrick Kavanagh and Seamus Heaney, these three sessions led by Sr Una Agnew will look at some of the ways in which poetry offers an alternative mind-set to experiences of social unrest, self-questioning, isolation, failure, and personal loss and gifts us instead with moments of perspective, meaning, transcendence and spiritual healing. Suggested Donation: £30 per person. For further details or to book a place, please contact Drumalis during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9 am – 5 pm) – 028 28 272 196/28 276 455 or email drumalis@btconnect.com

Shalom World Prayer for India. 24 Hour live Eucharistic Adoration May 16-23 May. The second wave of Covid-19 is suffocating India. The exploding number of infections and fatalities have filled the hearts of people with fear and anxiety, collapsing the healthcare system. See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2t9fKBUDxQ>. Join us live on SW Prayer Channel www.swprayer.org; facebook.com/swprayer; https://youtu.be/wgCBufjw_Rw

Warning of a Scam: The PSNI have been in contact to ask Churches to make parishioners aware of a scam whereby older people in particular receive a phone call from someone claiming to be a local police officer, advising that they have intelligence that the person's house is likely to be burgled in coming days. The person is asked to bring any cash and valuable belongings to a particular place, at a particular time so that the police can take it for safe keeping. Sadly, some people have already fallen victims to this particular scam. Police would be grateful if you could make people be aware that they would never ask someone to hand over their cash or valuables for safekeeping and should they receive such a call to contact them immediately.

Priory Institute Online Open Day, Saturday 12 June in advance of our autumn semester. The Open Day is a chance to look into what it would be like to study with us, we had our first online Open Day last January and it was a big success, admissions to our Spring 2021 semester are almost triple that of last year. For the schedule for the day and to register see <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/priory-institute-open-day>