

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, & 6:30pm. (English Parish Mass): 11.30am

Weekdays: (Mon Private 9:30am), Tues & Thurs at 9.30am. Fri at 7.00pm.

All 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/stbernadettebelfast>

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. [Mark 12:38-44]

Two coins were all she had.

No attention, no reward no place of honour.

She gave all she had.

Was it trust or love?

Jesus, give us grace not to count the cost.

Help us let go of our coins.

Take all that we own and all we are.

We ask that your grace be enough for us.

Anne Osdieck

WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED LOVED-ONES

Recently Deceased: Marie Claire McDermott, Patrick Maxwell

Anniversaries: Patrick Mackin, Frances Cecilia Matthews, Dan Gallagher, Annie McPeake, James Murray (Thurs 18th Nov at 9:30am), Patrick Joseph Greenan (Sun 31st Nov at 11:30am), To arrange for anniversary masses please speak to Fr McCann

COLLECTIONS: Many thanks for your support. Weekly Collection £706.2, Shrines £382.16, , 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. Also include all empty envelopes in the one envelope

Updated Diocesan Covid-Safe Measures for all Church based liturgies/activities As well as the previous measures, the following updates are to be followed, summarised, (issued 26th October 2021):

Social Distancing: a minimum of one metre social distancing between members of different households.

Face Coverings: The wearing of face coverings while entering, leaving and moving around a church is mandatory (except when exempted). Face coverings should be recommended throughout celebrations, even when seated. If there is congregational singing, face coverings must be worn.

Hand Sanitizers: Suitable hand sanitizers should continue to be provided at the entrances to Churches and other parish buildings.

Ventilation: Churches should be well ventilated during and after any gathering.

Movement around the Church: Parishes should retain any guidance/direction designed to allow social distancing.

Cleaning Routines: Parishes should maintain current regime of cleaning between liturgical services.

Holy Water Fonts, missalettes, newsletters etc.: For the time being, holy water fonts should remain empty. Missalettes and newsletters/bulletins should not be used unless they are single use and are retained by the user or disposed of after use.

Celebration of Mass: Parishes should continue to observe the principle of simplicity in the Liturgy for the time being, and note that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains suspended.

Choirs and liturgical music groups may recommence their ministry, and the number of members must be included in the safe maximum number determined in the risk assessment. Face coverings should be used and members observe 1 metre distancing. Choirs should sing at a reduced volume, and choose a repertoire that will not unnecessarily prolong the liturgy.

Entrance and recessional processions should be simple, confined to the celebrant, (deacon) and servers. There should be **no offertory procession** and **sign of peace remains suspended.** Those administering Holy Communion should continue to sanitize hands before and after distribution, to wear face coverings, and **communion in the hand should remain the norm,** or accommodation made for those who receive on the tongue, when hands should be sanitised immediately after each recipient. (Full updated guidance can be found on the parish Facebook page and on the Parish Website)

Laudato Si Reading Group. St Colmcille's Parish Ecology Group in association with Trócaire is hosting a Laudato Si' reading group via zoom over 6 evenings this autumn and you are warmly invited to join us, starting on 13th October. For further information about the group and details on how to register please see the flyer in the porch or visit our website <https://st-colmcilles.net>. Alternatively you can contact St Colmcille's Parish Office by email: stcolmcilles@downandconnor.org or patricia.kernaghan@btinternet.com. See poster in porch.

Ministers of the Word and Eucharist. It is hoped to refresh/add to the groups of ministers of the Word and Eucharist in the Autumn. If you are interested in joining these groups, a course of instruction will soon take place, at which all ministers of Word and Eucharist are invited.

Shalom World Prayer for the Sick. You are invited to join Shalom World Prayer online to Pray for the Sick in Eucharistic Adoration. Submit your prayer requests on www.swprayer.org. Download the FREE Shalom World app on your smartphone or tablet.

Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed During the month of November, Masses will be offered for all the faithful departed. The November Lists for the Deceased, with envelopes, will be available from Saturday 23 October. Please return your list in the collection basket. They will be opened and the lists placed on the altar, and the names therein remembered during the masses.

Short-Term Pioneer Pledge for November - Month of the Holy Souls. Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer up their sacrifice for their deceased family members and friends. You can do likewise. Please consider taking the Short-Term Pledge for November and say the Prayer daily:
"I promise in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all alcoholic drink during November".

Resources by the Northern Pastoral Network for the Month of November. Last year the Northern Pastoral Network, which our Diocese is a part of, developed a series of resources to support people in their prayer at home. This year we committed to producing resources once again. Please find in the porch a booklet for families to remember their loved ones during this month.

Cappella Caeciliana presents a concert "Renewed in Song" in St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street at 7.30pm on Saturday 13th November, its first indoor performance in Belfast since 2019. Tickets (£10) are available from www.caeciliana.org and Matchetts, Wellington Place. Under 25s free. Face coverings must be worn and 2 metre social distancing will apply.

Irish Bishops Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 14th Nov at 3pm, to concelebrate mass for all who have died in our country during the pandemic and for their families. At the mass the bishops will also offer prayers of thanksgiving for all those who so selflessly sacrificed so much during the pandemic. This Mass will be live-streamed on www.knockshrine.ie and broadcast on RTE News new digital tv channel and online

Trócaire Urgent Church Collection Trócaire is making an emergency appeal to provide life-saving aid to vulnerable communities in East Africa and DRC, where millions of people are being pushed to the edge of starvation. Trócaire teams are already responding on the ground, and are ready to provide more life-saving assistance but need more resources. Any support parishioners can give to this Emergency Appeal will help the urgent work of Trócaire and their hardworking local partners. For more information see www.trocaire.org Donations can be made to Trócaire directly or donations can also be left in the church next weekend (13th/14th November) by simply including your donation in an envelope clearly marked Trócaire Appeal.