

## ***Deputy Grand Marshal***

### ***Bridie Mitchell***

Brigid Mitchell (Bridie to most) was born in Aughavas Co. Leitrim. She emigrated to New York in 1962 where she met and married her husband Peter also from Co. Leitrim. Peter sadly passed away in 2004. She is the proud mother of two daughters Kathleen and Patricia, two son-in-laws Timmy and Danny and the loves of her five grandchildren, Amanda, Kelsey, Kaylee, Timothy and Kamryn.

Bridie is very active in her community she has been aide to the grand marshal in the Bay Ridge and Park Slope parades where she is currently the corresponding secretary for the Brooklyn Irish American Parade. In 2010 she was aide to the Grand Marshal in the New York City Parade.

A proud Hibernian since 1977 she has held many offices both on the division and county levels. She is currently the Freedom for all Ireland Chair on the State Level. She was honored in 2014 with the prestigious St. Brigid award by the Kings County Board.

Bridie is a very active member of the New York Irish Center which she refers to as her home away from home, and volunteers on a regular basis where ever needed.

She is a parishioner of Saint Margaret's Parish in Middle Village where she is a Eucharist Minister and volunteers in her grandchildren's school also known as St. Margaret's.

Bridie Mitchell says she is "looking forward to marching with the Rockaway Parade as they celebrate 40 years in the Rockaways."