



## St. Brigid's Parish Community

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Community Group	Description
<b>Altar Cloths / Linen Group</b>	This includes the housekeeping of the Altar linens. Volunteers needed for occasional duty.
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Adults needed to recruit & train new Altar Servers. New members, adults & altar servers are always welcome.
<b>Baptismal Team</b>	Small teams are needed to visit homes and welcome parents and their babies into our parish community. The Sacrament of Baptism and the richness of the symbols of the sacrament are shared and explained. Training and support is provided.
<b>Cabinteely Home Contact</b>	This is a group of people who visit those who are housebound. Their aim is to ensure that each person receives as many visitors as they require, bringing variety to their lives and news of the community.
<b>Caterers / Hospitality Team</b>	A small team who welcome and provide hospitality for Parish functions and events as needed.
<b>Child Protection Team</b>	The Parish Child protection team promotes awareness of and implements the Parish child Protection Policy. New members are required and training is provided.
<b>Church Cleaners Group</b>	This group provides a very important service to the community of St. Brigid's, by working to keep our church clean. This team would greatly welcome more new members to help them.
<b>Church Garden</b>	A small team currently meets and maintains the church garden and grounds. Additional volunteers are very welcome and no experience is necessary.
<b>Coffee Dock / Pastoral Community Centre</b>	Our Coffee Dock in the Pastoral Centre offers an opportunity to socialise and to get to know other parishioners in a lively atmosphere. We are in great need of new helpers to continue the existing service for both the coffee dock & reception area. Any time, no matter how small you may feel would be of tremendous help.
<b>Collectors / Stewards Group</b>	A team of volunteers who can cover the Saturday evening vigil mass and the Sunday masses are needed. A minimum of 2/3 collectors are needed to cover the two collections for each mass.
<b>Contact Magazine</b>	This is the parish magazine which is available & distributed quarterly. It details events surrounding St. Brigid's as well as diaries & events within the local community. Can you help in preserving our parish community magazine.
<b>Faith Development Group</b>	This is a small team which runs parish-based programmes and seminars, which assist the on-going faith development of adults and young people. New volunteers are always very welcome.
<b>Flower Group</b>	A very small team is responsible for the beautiful floral displays in our church. To keep this service running we need new members to with an interest in flower arranging to make this possible.
<b>Greeting / Welcoming Team</b>	Our mission in St. Brigid's Parish is that everyone, young & old, friend & stranger, be greeted at the church doors with a welcoming smile and perhaps a few words. We are aware that some people who attend St. Brigid's maybe new to the village or the church and we believe that it is very important that they are made to feel welcome.
<b>Liturgical Planning Team</b>	We would love to hear from you if you have an interest in liturgy and scripture and would be willing to help with the preparation and co-ordination of our various liturgical celebrations & seasons.
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Lay ministers of the Eucharist help to distribute communion at mass. A rota is organised whereby ministers are normally allocated to one mass every two months and are assigned to the mass that they normally attend. Training is provided.
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	A team responsible for leading the readings and prayers of the faithful at mass. A rota is organised where possible ministers are allocated to read at the mass that they normally attend.



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<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b>	The P.P.C. is responsible for the future development of the parish community of St. Brigid's Cabinteely. Volunteers are always very welcome.
<b>Saint Brigid's Youth Club – SBY</b>	This club provides an invaluable community – based service to the young people in the Parish. Anyone with an interest in working with young people would be very welcome to join our team.
<b>Sacred Environmental Art Work Settings</b>	This very special ministry uses creative art work to highlight the liturgical season & celebrations and allows us to engage with our faith story in a different way. They add colour and excitement and alert us to the reason for our celebrations.
<b>Taize Mass</b>	St. Brigid's "Taize" style mass provides us with a quiet, reflective atmosphere on a Sunday afternoon. We need volunteers to help prepare the candles, music and lighting. If this is the mass you normally attend, please consider helping and keeping our mass going.
<b>Transition Year Team</b>	A TY Project for students who once attended either St Brigid's Boys or Girls Primary school and / or are living in the parish are invited back during their transition year to meet once a month at the Grain Store in Cabinteely. This is facilitated through the TY programmes of our neighbouring secondary schools.
<b>Virtual Volunteer</b>	This is where volunteers can contribute their times and skills remotely. Virtual volunteering can cover a multitude of activities from any location via a computer or other internet connected device at the time and place of the volunteer. Times and hours are unimportant and therefore can be suitable for those with time constraints and / or unusual working hours or those with home based obligations or mobility issues. This list of work is endless from fund raising, researchers, editorial, web design and so much more, all providing an invaluable service to the Parish Community.
<b>Website</b>	At present our website is managed by only one person who needs additional help. Our website is another form of communication and offers many services, in particular our service of watching mass live via web cam. This service is vital to the growth and future of the parish.

Volunteers are necessary and extremely important for building a healthy community. Anyone can donate their time & effort to the various groups, and when a person feels part of a community, they are more likely to want to share in the responsibility for that parish community and feel pride and a sense of commitment.

Without volunteers this parish could not succeed and continue to offer the quality of care and welcome that it does. There are many groups in the Parish that make up this vibrant community. To preserve & keep the many services running.... **MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!**

Volunteering brings benefits: You meet new people, make new friends while making a difference and receiving the satisfaction of seeing results. If you are considering volunteering, please call [\(01\) 285 8835](tel:012858835) or visit our website [www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie) or email [stbrigidscabinteely@ireland.com](mailto:stbrigidscabinteely@ireland.com) for more information or call into to the Parish Centre or alternatively fill in your details below including your preferred group or groups you wish to join and please leave in the Parish Centre. Please know that any time you can give, no matter how small, is of enormous help to the Parish Community. No experience is required to join any of the groups or services within St. Brigid's and training will be provided where necessary. Thank you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Group: \_\_\_\_\_

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