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## Fifth Sunday of Easter A

# **ALL RELIGIONS EQUAL?**

A public figure, interviewed recently, said that if he carried rune stones around people would be interested to talk about them. If he meditated under a pyramidal dome in his dining room, practised an obscure form of Himalayan exercises, took regular colonic irrigation or sang American Indian chants under a dream-catcher whilst bathing himself in aroma-therapy oils, people would be equally tolerant. But if he were to tell them that he believed Jesus Christ was the Son of God and the saviour of the world, then they would run a mile and refuse to interview him about it.

Christianity has become the new taboo. Pop singers who make no secret of their Christian faith are rubbished as "squeaky-clean" and public figures whose faith motivates them are dismissed as "dogooders". It's almost as if there is something dangerous about being a follower of Jesus.

At the other end of the scale it's become politically correct to be tolerant of all beliefs, no matter how implausible they may appear. Of course, there's a good side to this. No one should be mocked for what they believe or persecuted for their faith. But acceptance of every set of teachings that claims to be a religion simply means that you don't have to deal with any of them.

So it's not uncommon to hear people say that since there's only one God all religions must be equal because all people are trying to approach the same God. Or alternatively, all religions are to be shunned because there has been an element of religion in many of the major wars throughout history.

The problem is that once you stop believing in God, you don't start believing in nothing. You start believing in anything.

Today Jesus claims that there is only one way of attaining union with God and that is through him. I am the Way, the Truth and the Life: no one can come to the Father except through me. He's either telling the truth or he's a liar. The choice is yours.

There are **Confessions** every Saturday after 6.30pm Mass here in St. Brigid's, Cabinteely.

#### **Weekend Intentions**

Along with their families and friends the following people are especially remembered this weekend. This time of the year holds a special significance for all those who knew and who loved them.



**6.30pm -** 1. Eileen Duffy - 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Michael & Martha McLoughlin -Anniversary

10.00am - 1. Nan Sills - Anniversary

Gerry & Maureen Beegan -Anniversary

**12.30pm** – 1. Maureen & Emily Butler and the deceased members of the Butler and Hogan families.

2. Anne Martin - Anniversary

**11.15am (The Park)** – John Fitzpatrick – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

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#### Recently Deceased:

Months Mind: Brendan Fagan, Marjorie McGarry

**Anniversaries:** Ann Gillooly, Mollie Henderson, Sheila Connolly

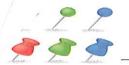
Mass times in St. Brigid's Church

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
-10 am

Saturday (Vigil Mass) – 6.30 pm Sunday – 10 am and 12.30 pm and 11.15 am Park Mass Centre (during term-time)

New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week.

A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that individual can be you, says Pope Francis in a searing TED Talk delivered directly from Vatican City. In a hopeful message to people of all faiths, to those who have power as well as those who don't, Francis provides illuminating commentary on the world as we currently find it and calls for equality, solidarity and tenderness to prevail. Access this, and other rich online spiritual resources via <a href="https://www.NewPilgrimPath.ie">www.NewPilgrimPath.ie</a>



# Parish Noticeboard.

#### Social Welfare Information

Our Social Welfare Information Service takes place in St Brigid's Parish Centre every Tuesday -10.30 am-12.30 pm.

Just drop in - no appointment needed.



Our Novice Bridge Club will take place every Thursday evening from 7.30 pm - 10.00pm (for those playing bridge up to 5 years - assistance given if required). Partners not required. New members very welcome

Ministers of the Eucharist are available to bring Holy Communion to the housebound.

Contact Joan O'Shea on 01 2824814 if you or someone you know would like toreceive Holy Communion on a regular basis.

Mother & Toddler Group – this group takes place each Tuesday of term time from 10.45 am to 12 noon in the Parish Centre. New members welcome.

Senior Social Club, meet every Wednesday 2.30pm-4.30pm. Cup of Tea & chat, Bingo, Exercise, Music, Art, Outings, Talks & Card playing. New members welcome. Transport available. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



#### **Lourdes Pilgramage 2017**

Join parishioners attending the Dublin Diocesan Pilgramage to Lourdes from 7 - 12 September. Booking forms available from the Parish Office. Cost €725 (all inclusive).

Lough Derg 2017 – The Season is now open for one day retreats. Booking essential. The three day pilgrimage season begins on 1<sup>st</sup> June. – Ph: 071 9861518 or email <a href="mailto:info@loughderg.org">info@loughderg.org</a>

### **Drug and Alcohol Awareness Programme**

Commencing on: Monday evening -22nd May - 7.00pm to 9.00pm Venue: Southside Women's Action Network (SWAN) - 57 Ennel Court, Loughlinstown

Free six week course
If you are interested in participating or need
further information please contact:

Sharon at SWAN - 0868233596 or Derek at DLRCAT - 01 2176140

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May is **Cemetery Sunday in Shanganagh Cemetery**. You are invited to the Annual Mass of Remembrance at 3 pm.

## Our Fundraising 500 Limited Raffle for a 172 Hyundai i20 Deluxe will take place on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June in the Parish Centre at 8pm

Tickets are available in the Parish Office weekdays and from the Sacristy after weekend masses.

Tickets are €75 The Car supplied is by Mooney's Hyundai, Deansgrange.

Cabinteely Tidy Towns are running a Free 'Stop Food Waste' – a 4 week course starting 8th June in the Parish Centre. Places limited. Contact <a href="mailto:catherine.allen33@gmail.com">catherine.allen33@gmail.com</a> for more information.

#### Solemn Novena, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Foxrock

Mon 22 May to Tue 30 May 10 am, 7 pm and 9 pm See poster at back of church.

#### Dance Therapy (6-week course)

Gentle movement to music restoring harmony within the body. Dance of life group dances and individual movement.

Where: St Brigid's Parish Centre, Monday evenings, 7 pm to 7.50 pm
Ph Leonie Gallagher AISTD on 087 9711989 for further details.

Rotary Club, Dun Laoghaire invite nominations for the inaugural Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Person of the Year Award. Contact rotary.dunlaoghaire@gmail.com. Closing date:19th May

#### Are You a Good Listener?

Senior Help Line, Ireland's only

confidential telephone listening service for older people, needs people aged 55+ to work in Donnybrook, Dublin 4 as help line volunteers. The commitment is for three hours once every three weeks. Our current need is for people in the evenings 7-10pm, private free car park provided. You would receive training.

The next Information Morning May 30 from 10am to noon. Training follows in June. If you are interested, or would like more information, please phone Anne on 087-7450721

# St Vincent de Paul Annual Clothing Collection.

Distribution of bags will take place this weekend with collection next weekend.

This appeal is for clean, good quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc.

