

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Sunday 10th Feb - Fifth Sunday C

A HOLY PEOPLE?

Some early Christians thought that only blameless people could belong to the Church. They said that the personal holiness of the priest was necessary for the sacraments to be valid. And some of them went round re-baptising those who had been baptised by "unworthy" priests. Fortunately, this false teaching, known as Donatism, was stamped out largely due to the efforts of people like St Augustine.

Underpinning this misconception is the idea that we ourselves are responsible for God's action in the world. We preach and people are converted, we baptise and a person becomes a Christian, we counsel and people become consoled.

Another problem with this is that it fails to grasp what holiness really is. It is God who acts and works in the world, through us. No one is worthy of themselves to share in God's saving work. No priest ministers from a personal reservoir of holiness. It is by God's grace that they share in the action of Christ. No congregation is worthy enough to "conjure up" the eucharist. It is only through the grace of the Holy Spirit that we are "qualified" to do so.

Today we hear how Isaiah was acutely aware of his unworthiness. And we see Peter so ashamed of himself when he met Jesus that he asked to be left alone. People faced with sheer holiness realise the shallowness of much of their existence.

And so too with us. In spite of our own unworthiness God chooses to have us as living members of his Church. That's because we share the holiness of God in Jesus. We're called to be prophet-disciples in a Church that is one, holy, catholic and apostolic. And holiness means loving like God loves, in a wholesome way.

The Church, then, is holy not because of us. It's holy because it belongs to God. We don't possess our own brand of holiness. We share in God's. So, unworthy as we are God calls each one of us to holiness. And if God doesn't put us down, we should be careful about doing so ourselves.

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely www.cabinteelyparish.ie info@cabinteelyparish.ie Fr. Aquinas Duffy 01 5672374 pp@cabinteelyparish.ie Deacon Jeremy Seligman Fr Arthur O'Neill and Fr Tom O'Keeffe Parish Office/Sacristy 01 2858835 Monday - Friday 9 - 16.30 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 10th February 2019

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat9th Feb 20196.30 pm VigilGerard Comiskey - 2nd Anniversary

Sun 10th Feb 2019 10.00 am Fr Jim Stanley & Fr Pat Stanley Marie Breslin - 6th Anniversary

12.30pm Máirín Conlon - Recently Deceased Hugh & Geraldine Howe - Anniversary

Recently Deceased Miriam O'Donnell' John [Jackie] Kennedy

Anniversaries: Adeline Slattery (5th Anniversary) Matilda Chalhoub (2nd Anniversary) James & Anne O'Malley

Mon 10 AM-Charlie & Nora O'Connell - Anniversary Tues 10 AM— Máirín Conlon - Recently Deceased Thurs 10 AM— Gretta McGurl- Moakler -Recently Deceased Fri 10 AM— John Ryan - Recently Deceased

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New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

"Original <u>goodness</u> is our first nature, it is the first gift of life to all. Original <u>sin</u> is our <u>second</u> nature, not original at all! Read the birth poem in the first chapter of the Bible. It's all about the divine goodness in which the world is set. Each day of creation in the poem is good. Light is good. Dark is good. Sea is good. Wild things are good. Every living thing that moves on the face of the earth is very good." These words are from an uplifting, engaging and deeply human talk by the late David Wood, Anglican priest and ambassador for Christian meditation. Listen to his talk at www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Southside Partnership DLR CARE & REPAIR SERVICE Aged 65 or over? Our Care & Repair team will help you with a variety of household tasks. Phone: 01 4455450 Voluntary donations accepted to support this service.

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

Use of Parish Centre Car Park Please note

All those parking in the car park during the week (excluding Mass times) must sign into the centre. Cars not signed in will be clamped. Clamp release fee is €50.

Emmanuel 2019 at the Helix

70 second Level Schools from all over the Archdiocese will participate in the renowned Emmanuel concert series this year where hundreds of teenagers take part in a live concert in the Helix over four nights. 25th to 28th of February at 7.30pm each evening. Come along to listen to young people praising God with energy in this unique event. A list of participating schools is available at

www.litmus@dublindiocese.ie

The Parish Centre

There are rooms available for rent ranging in size from 15 to 100 people.

Do you have an idea for a course, a class, a one off event for 2019? Are you looking for a venue??? Give Marian/Ann a call on 01 2858835 to arrange to view our facilities.

The **Coffee Dock** is open weekdays from 10am and is open Sunday Morning after 10am Mass. A warm welcome guaranteed.

Fancy brushing off your Cúpla Focal ? Conversational Irish at one of the tables in the Parish Pastoral Centre [after the 10am Sunday mass] is starting back on Feb 3rd.

The ANNUAL COLLECTION of ACCORD, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family will be made at all Masses on the weekend of **16th & 17th February 2019.**

The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the diocese offers:

Marriage Preparation Courses

Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships.

✤ A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for Schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support. Please give generously on 16th & 17th February

C.A.R.A. – Cabinteely Active Retirement Association welcomes members who are retired and aged 55 or up. We are affiliated to A.R.I. (Active Retirement Ireland). Our activities include Boules, Cards, Mahjong, Line Dancing, Tai Chi, Ten Pin Bowling, Pitch and Putt, Scrabble, Walks & Talks, Socials, visits to places of interest, Whist, holidays (home and away). There is an annual subscription and a small charge for some events.

Bethany Bereavement Support

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group holds its "drop in" on the last Friday of every month in the Parish Pastoral Centre after the 10 AM mass.

Next Meeting Friday 22nd February All are welcome.



New Parish Office Opening Times

From Wednesday 2nd January 2019, the secretarial office will be opened on Mondays and Thursday from 9 AM to 4 PM. The Front Office/Bookshop will be opened Monday to Friday 9 AM to 4 PM

Items for inclusion in this newsletter should be emailed to **newsletter@cabinteelyparish.ie** by Monday of the week of publication.

The Old Dublin Society

Brian McCabe will open the Old Dublin Society's Spring Programme with his lecture 'Dublin to Kilcullen: Ireland's First Toll Road' at 6 p.m. on Wednesday February 13th in the Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, <u>138 – 144 Pearse</u> <u>Street, Dublin 2</u>. All welcome admission free.

Dublin Diocesan Celebration

World Day of the Sick 2019

Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick

Sun 10th February @ 3pm

Main Celebrant Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

All are welcome Corpus Christi Parish Church Drumcondra D9

Telephone 01 8360085/ email <u>corpuschristi@eircom.net</u>

28th Divine Mercy Conference

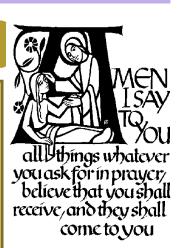
23rd, 24th Feb. in the RDS, Ballsbridge. On Friday night, 22nd Feb. we are continuing our very successful addition to the programme which includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confessions and which is aimed specially at our young people. This year's theme is: Let Us Not be Put to the Test. Schedule available from www.dublindicoese.ie/noticeboard - All welcome

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Saints of the Week

11 Feb: - Our Lady of Lourdes (World day of Prayer for the Sick)

14 Feb: St Cyril and St Methodius



Anam Cara Wicklow

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Monday
18th February at 7:20pm in the Parkview Hotel, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents.

As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to <u>info@anamcara.ie</u> before Friday 15th February or call the Information line on **085 2888 888**.

Thank You

Josephine Hickey & Carmel McCarthy

Faithful volunteers in the Parish Centre on Tuesday's for many years.Thank you for all your time and commitment. Its really appreciated.

Listening 2019

The Archdiocese is seeking the views of parents, teachers, priests and parish personnel and the wider faith community on how we might improve the way we prepare and celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, , Communion and Confirmation. As many people as possible are invited to take part in this on line survey so that we can get a wide range of views. https:// www.dublindiocese.ie/survey-onsacraments/