

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

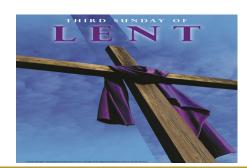


24th March 2019 • Third Sunday of Lent

'It may bear fruit next year'

Today's Gospel brings a thorny question for Jesus, as the people ask why a number of Galileans were killed by the Romans as they made sacrifices to God. The basic question is why do bad things happen to certain people? Some Jewish leaders at the time viewed the Galileans as second-class Jews, and so they are raising more than a question about meaningless suffering here. They want to know if the Galileans suffered because they were not really 'Jewish enough.' Jesus responds with a sharp question about a recent tragedy involving those killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them. Were they worse offenders than others in Jerusalem? No. Jesus responds further by focusing on those who are still living. In the parable of the fig tree we hear that the tree is not producing any fruit and probably should be cut down. However, the owner of the vineyard agrees to one more year, during which it is given special attention.

Jesus' response to the difficult question on suffering is to focus on the living. We are still alive and therefore should be producing much fruit. Perhaps those who are questioning Jesus need, like the fig tree, much fertiliser, nourishment and growth so that they can focus on producing fruit for the world. The fig tree is blessed, and has received much grace in terms of time and care. The parable is a reminder to all of us of the nourishment and time we have been given; it is a call to examine the fruits that we produce in this world, in our communities, our families and in our church.



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 24th March 2019

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 23rd March 2019
6.30 pm Vigil
John Duffy - Anniversary
Freda O'Halloran - Anniversary

Sun 24th March 2019 10.00 am

Margaret Mullen - 1st Anniversary Jack Mullen - 7th Anniversary

12.30pm

Eileen Kenny - 2nd Anniversary
Pat Guinan - 11th Anniversary

Months Mind Meg Mc Loughlin

Recently Deceased

Anniversaries:

Joan Fox (1st Anniversary , Des Fitzgerald (20th Anniversary)

Mon 10 AM-

Desmond Healy - Anniversary

Tues 10 AM—

Lily & Jack Flynn - Anniversary

Thurs 10 AM-

Robert & Mary Agar - Anniversary

Fri 10 AM-

Michael & Teresa McCarthy— Anniversary

'MONDAY MEET UP's for LENT' .. DON'T MISS OUT!

Let's gather, reflect and connect. St. Brigid's Parish are offering a series of three talks in our Parish Pastoral Centre in the weeks leading up to Easter.

1. **Monday March 25th- Fr Alan Hilliard**, Coordinator Pastoral Care and Chaplaincy Service at TU Dublin Theme of talk: **'Happy to Be Holy'**:

Can holiness make any difference in our lives?

Alan Hilliard's encouraging and 'relevant to life' presentation will take us on a journey through Pope Frances's latest writing 'Gaudete and Exsultate' (Rejoice and Be Glad!) on how holiness is a matter for us all and is intimately connected to a life of personal and Christian Joy.

2. Monday April 1st, P J Lynch (Children's Laureate/'Illustrator of 'The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey' Kate Greenaway Medal winner, Knock Mosaic Artist,:

Theme of talk: "Miracles and Moonshine

The value and role of Art and Beauty in our Churches and Sacred spaces.

- P J Lynch's personal experience of how the recent 1,500,000 piece Knock apparition mosaic was conceived, designed and built, including examples of other of Sacred Art pieces/illustration he is currently working on.
 - 3. Monday April 8th Fr. Pat Claffey Divine Word Priest, Curate, St. Mary's, Haddington Road.

 Lecturer in comparative religions in Trinity (Loyola Institute.)

 Theme of talk: 'Secularisation How do we respond?'
 - Fr. Pat promises a lively, well researched presentation, inviting us all to acknowledge changes in contemporary culture and encouraging us to reflect, engage and dialogue.

All talks take place in the Parish Pastoral Centre from 8pm to 9.30pm



Path New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week, Sunday 24th March

"We have forgotten how to value things without a price tag. Hence, when we get to our most abundant gifts — like attention, insight, compassion — we confuse their worth because they're, well, priceless." Nipun Mehta is a recipient of the Dalai Lama 'Unsung Hero of Compassion' award. He is founder of a major global philanthropic organisation, ServiceSpace, that works at the intersection of volunteerism, technology and gifteconomy. His moving TED talk on generosity can be accessed at www.newpilgrimpathie

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by Monday of the week of publication.

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.

All levels of fluency 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

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

> Fri 29th March 10.30- 11.30 All are welcome.



A Celebration Concert of Irish Music will be presented by Ceoltoiri Naomh Bride, Musical Director, Pat O'Connor.

30th March from 7.30 to 8.30 pm in The Parish Centre. Special Guests: St Brigid's Boys' Breakfast Band. Please join us for a wonderful hour celebrating our wonderful rich heritage of Traditional Irish Music

Entrance: 5 Euro



Dedicated to Dementia Care

Present

An Afternoon of Song

at Foxrock Church, Kill Lane, Foxrock Sunday, 7th of April @ 3pm Admission €10

> Featuring Gerry Noonan

Living well with Dementia Sweet Memories Choirs
Ballinteer Gospel Choir
Students from Oatlands College
Glencullen / Dundrum Musical & Drama Society
& soloists Patricia Dolan & Kylabelle McKinney

In aid of

Living Well with Dementia Sweet Memories Choirs Stillorgan & Saint Joseph's Shankill

Do you write poetry?

We would like to hear from those in Cabinteely, Johnstown and Foxrock who write poetry, young or old, with a view to sharing your efforts with a wider audience, community. If interested don't be shy. Contact: Brendan Henderson, email: henders@eircom.net Mobile: 087-6914148 or Brian Moore, Email: henders@eircom.net Mobile: 087-2043033

The Irish Wheelchair Association are now working directly with the elderly in the community under our Enhanced Homecare Services and are seeking employees to carry out this service on our behalf. To work in this capacity you will need to be studying or have completed a Fetac Level 5 in healthcare or its equivalent. If you are interested in working with the IWA as a caregiver please send your Curriculum Vitae to the email contact below. We offer excellent rates and inter client mileage training is provided Contact email. Mairin.oneill@iwa.ie

Marriage Enrichment Course:

Is your marriage due a check-up? Do you think you could benefit from a few helpful tips? This course will run for four Thursdays from 7.30 - 9.30pm on March 14th; March 28th; April 4th and April 11th in Foxrock Parish Centre. For further details or to register, contact Foxrock Parish Office at 01 2893492 or Maeve Davidson at 087 6904814. Early booking advised. Facilitator: Barbara Duff B.A., H Dip in Ed., NAPCP, marriage counsellor and psychosexual therapist with Accord and author of *Rekindle the Spark – 10 steps to revitalize your relationship* This course is free of charge.

Verdi Requiem

C0-Orch with Dun Laoghaire Choral Society & Cantairi Avondale

Olympia Theatre on April 1st @8pm Conductor: John Doyle : Leader: Mochael D'arcy

Soloists: Sandra Oman, Soprano: Raphaela Mangan, Mezzo-Soprano: David Lynn, Tenor: David Howes, Bass.

Marie Keating Foundation
Tickets available on: TICKETMASTER.IE

Saints of the Week

Mon 25th— The Annunciation of the Lord.

A LENTEN RETREAT SAINT SAVIOUR'S PRIORY

LED BY BR JESSE MAINGOT, OP



SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH, 2019

11am Holy Mass (in St Saviour's Church)

11.45am Coffee (in St Catherine's – access from Dorset Street)

12.15pm Rosary

12.40pm Conference 1 (The Spiritual Ladder)

1.15pm Break

2.15pm Conference 2 (Towards the Father)

2.45pm Holy Hour (ending with Benediction)

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