

# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

## Fifth Sunday of Lent— 7th April 2019

#### Don't look back

'No need to recall the past, No need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed...'(Isaiah 43: 18-19)

'All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead...'(Phil 3:13)

These poignant words taken from today's first and second readings provide the perfect preamble to our dramatic Gospel reading. Perhaps the line that is most often quoted from the story of the woman caught in adultery is Jesus' challenge to the crowd who bring her before them: 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' It is a challenge to all of us to look inward before we 'cast stones' to judge others.

But there is another equally powerful statement here by Jesus, this time to the woman herself. It is delivered quietly, when she is left alone with Jesus after all her accusers have drifted away: 'Neither do I condemn you. Go away, and don't sin any more.' We notice that Jesus doesn't rake over the woman's past. He doesn't ask her about the claims of her accusers. He does not condemn or criticise her. Instead he accepts her, loves her, treats her with the respect and dignity that was so lacking in the mob, and gently nudges her forward into a new way of living.



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# MASS INTENTIONS

Sat

6thApril 2019

**6.30 pm Vigil** Christopher & Elizabeth Donlon Sean Regan - 1st Anniversary

Sun 10.00 am April 2019

Sean Carr - 5th Anniversary Miriam Walsh - 15th Anniversary

12.30pm

William Doody - 20th Anniversary Elinor Phillips - Anniversary Justin Nelson - 1st Anniversary

Months Mind Dominick Lewis

Recently Deceased Fr Aidan Larkin (Columban)

Anniversaries: Liam Daly (1st Anniversary), Philip Darbey,

Mon 10 AM-Kevin & Orna Lavin

Tues 10 AM— Anniversary Mass for James & Christina Brady and Deceased relatives.

Thurs 10 AM— Charlie Breen - Anniversary

Fri 10 AM— Fearghal O'Farrell - Anniversary

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# '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.

#### Our final talk in the series takes place this Monday 8th at 8pm. All welcome

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

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week "There are certain threshold moments when we sense something of the destiny to which we are called. Such moments unsettle us. We long to hear the *cantus firmus* (the enduring melody) sound louder in our souls, for that vague horizon of our ultimate vocation to become clearer in our hearts." Daniel O'Leary, renowned priest, author and teacher, an inspiration to countless people, died this January, but his inspiring weekly reflections be accessed. For these, and other rich online spiritual resources, visit www.newpilgrimpath.ie

Week of Guided Prayer in Foxrock.

The annual Week of Guided Prayer for Lent will take place from 7 to 13 April 2019. This is a retreat for busy people when trained Prayer Guides come to the

parish to work with us. You are invited to meet for

half an hour every day with a Prayer Guide who will gently accompany you as you reflect on a piece of

Scripture. No previous experience needed. Prayer

Guides will be available for sessions in the morning, afternoon or evening and they usually make every

effort to meet you at a time that suits you best. The Week of Guided Prayer will begin with a session at 7.00 pm on Sunday evening 7 April in Foxrock Parish

Pastoral Centre when participants will meet their

Prayer Guide for the week. It will close with a session with Prayer Guides on Saturday 13 April at

7.00 pm. It is necessary to register so that we can arrange to have Prayer Guides to accommodate everyone. To register or to make further enquiries,

please contact Maeve Davidson by email to maevedavidson@foxrockparish.ie

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April (6-7.30 pm) the Loyola Institute, Trinity College Dublin will host an open evening to provide an opportunity to learn about the possibilities of doing theology here – short courses, masters, and doctorates. The evening will include a short lecture, 'Fake News – Why Truth Matters' By Dr Fáinche Ryan, Director, Loyola Institute. All are welcome. Venue: Loyola Institute, G16

#### 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

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

New stock & cards can be purchased in the parish centre at very reasonable prices. Call in and take a look.

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. 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



Johnstown Annual Parish Pilgrimage to Knock 2019 Will take place on Saturday 27th April. Bus will leave church car park at 8.00am Spiritual Director Fr. Peadar Murney. Cost €50 per person. Morning snack & Evening meal inclusive. Bookings will be taken at Parish Office Phone No 01 2351416 From all here in St Brigid's Parish we would like to congratulate our parishioner **Fiodhna O'Leary** a Special Olympian who won a Silver Medal in the singles Table Tennis and a 4th place in the Doubles at the Special Olympics in Abu Dhabi.

Congratulations to all the other participants and to their families and friends

# 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 14<sup>th</sup>; March 28<sup>th</sup>; April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup> 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.** 

# **Good Friday National Holy Face Public Prayer Vigil** – at The old Town Hall, Top of Main St. Bray.

Human Life (Ire.) are holding over 100 Public Prayer Vigils in each County in Ireland at 12. 00 noon -1.00 PM. on Good Friday, 19th. April, 2019, to make reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus, & for the protection of life, faith & family in Ireland. Pope Francis has asked that we "return to the Face of Christ

*"Everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven." Matt 10:32.* 

*Local* Enquiries to : Peter.../...087/8343322.

# BOYS AND GIRLS 2ND TO 6TH CLASS



Come take part in St Brigid's Parish

DRAMATISATION OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Singer, readers, dramatists required & Parental Support!. Practice - St Brigid's GNS 4 - 6pm, Mon 15th - Thurs 18th April 2019. Performance -Stations of the Cross, St Brigid's GNS. 11.30am for 12, Good Friday 19th April 2019

Contact. Niamh Down 086 8352739 AND/OR come take part in our new ART WORKSHOP to make Backdrops for The Stations of the Cross 4pm to 6pm Wednesday 17th April, St Brigid's GNS. Contact: Mary Delaney 086 2075244 or Niamh 086 8352739





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