



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8th September 2019

Rethinking our attachments

The Gospel is troubling. Does Jesus really expect us to hate our families, friends and even ourselves in order to be his followers? We are being invited to think about how we attach ourselves to things and to people, even to images of ourselves. Attachment can cause all sorts of suffering in our lives. If we are to grow, we must move on from the comfortable, let go of the familiar. That can often be painful.

During the month of September, we are celebrating the Season of Creation. We know that our world is currently suffering from a catastrophic loss of bio-diversity, largely caused by a consumerist culture. God's creatures are disappearing from the Earth at a rate we can scarcely comprehend. Insects, mammals, trees, plants and creatures are becoming extinct. We pray that this decline may end, and we acknowledge that we are part of a complex, delicate and interdependent web of life, created by God. Today's Gospel invites us to let go of the attachments in our lives which contribute to this destruction. Let us try to live more simply and sustainably, and to encourage others to do the same. We are called to examine our relationship with material things and walk more gently on the earth.

'It is not enough to think of different species merely as potential 'resources' to be exploited, while overlooking the fact that they have value in themselves ... Because of us, thousands of species will no longer give glory to God by their very existence, nor convey their message to us. We have no such right' (*Laudato Si'*, 33).

Suggestion for the week: Can you remove single-use plastics from your life? Buy a reusable water bottle and reusable coffee cup. Say no to plastic straws and food wrapping.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 7th Sept 2019

6.30 pm Vigil
Nellie Drummy – Rec. Dec.

Sun 8th Sept 2019

10.00 am
Helen Moran – 2nd Anniversary .
Elizabeth, Tommy, Bernadette &
Anthony Archbold – Anniversary

12.30pm
Jack Costello - Anniversary

Recently Deceased
Barbara Seligman

Months Mind

Anniversaries:
Mary Barr (1st Anniversary)

Mon 10 AM- Sé Quirke Birthday
remembrance

Tues 10 AM— Jack Mc Carthy
Anniversary

Thurs 10 AM— Mr. & Mrs.
Kevelhan Special Intention
Dec'd members of the Kirwan Family

Fri 10 AM—

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Bible Reflections return after the summer break on 12th September '19.

Bible Reflections are held every Thursday after the 10am Mass in St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre 10.30am - 11.30am. All welcome

The Sunday Morning coffee dock will reopen next Sunday 8th September after the 10am mass in **aid of Blackrock Hospice**. If you would like to help out on a rota basis, please give your name in the Parish office or Sacristy. The more volunteers, the less work for everyone.

Bethany Bereavement Drop-In returns, the last Friday of every month and is held in St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass. Next Drop-In will be held Friday 27th September 10.30am-1130am

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

The annual **Crosscare** collection will take place this weekend 7th/8th September and will replace the share collection

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

The new rotas for both **Minister of the Eucharist** and **Ministers of the Word** are available for collection from the Sacristy this weekend.

The **monthly collection for St. V. de Paul** will take place outside after all masses this weekend.

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

Faith Development Programmes 2019-2020

1. Foxrock Parish Catechism Studies for Adults Group will be moved from Monday evenings to Thursday evenings and will resume on Thursday 12 September 2019 at 7.30 pm. We invite those who are interested in exploring our faith to join this interactive group. This term, we will be considering the Sacraments in the life of the Church. Contact Maeve Davidson maevedavidson@foxrockparish.ie and 087 2853726.

2. Lectio Divina takes place in Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre every Monday after 10.00 am Mass. All are welcome to join in this prayerful reading of the Word of God.

3. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children aged 4 – 12 years is available in Foxrock Parish. The programme is presented by trained catechists and there are three groups: Level 1 is for children aged 4 – 6; Level for children aged 6 – 9 and Level 3 is for children aged 9 – 12 years. The programme uses Montessori methodology and materials to help the children to come into relationship with God through the experience of stories from the Bible and some of the things we do when we come together as a parish community. Contact Foxrock Parish Office at 01 289 34 92.

4. Foxrock Parish has a Camino Group who began with a pilgrimage to Santiago di Compostella in 2018. The Group meet to walk on the second Saturday of every month. All are welcome to join them. Contact Foxrock Parish Office at 01 289 3492.

5. The Family Mass Group will meet in Foxrock Church for practices on Thursday 5 September and Thursday 12 September and will resume on Sunday 15 September at 10.00 am Mass. The Group cater for children from 2nd Class upwards and all are welcome. It is great preparation for First Holy Communion. Contact Maeve Davidson, maevedavidson@foxrockparish.ie and 087 2853 726.

Prayer/Reflection Groups in the Parish

Tuesday: Divine Mercy Devotions after the 10 AM Mass

Wednesday Nights Centering Prayer 7pm-8pm

Thursdays: Gospel Reflection Group 10.30am-12.30pm

Fridays: Gospel Contemplation 10.30am - 12.30pm

The Rosary is recited before the 10 AM mass on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays at 9.40 AM.

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