



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
13th October 2019

“Ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance ...” In the ancient world and into the Middle Ages, there was no treatment for leprosy. People thought it was wildly contagious and were suspicious of any skin diseases. Lepers were isolated from civil society. This isolation was upheld by the Mosaic Law. Should there be a healing from leprosy, the former leper was to present himself to a priest to certify the healing. Like Jesus commands, *“Show yourselves to the priests.”* The person would then undergo a religious rite to be formally reintroduced to society. In other words, a leper got their life back. So why didn't they come back?

“As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him.” Of the ten lepers healed by Christ, only one returns with a grateful heart. The others, perhaps, were thankful enough. Perhaps they couldn't believe their luck, and they hastened to the priests to confirm the healing. They were more than willing to leave their life of rejection and isolation behind. Why take any steps backward, when the way ahead was so attractive? An attitude like this is perhaps understandable, but few would admire it.

How about you? Do you come back? If you've ever had the experience of getting what you hoped and prayed for, you know that this can sometimes be easier said than done. When we've wanted something badly enough, how easy it can be to focus on the gift rather than the giver. The truth is, God is daily offering us gifts: the gift of our existence, of the created world, of family and friends, of modern conveniences. Even in times of distress, there is always something to be thankful for. This Sunday, give yourself a gratitude check. Count your blessings. Glorify God and thank Him for the gift of your life!

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 12th Oct 2019

6.30 pm Vigil

Peter O'Dwyer - 5th Anniversary

Sun 13th Oct 2019

10.00 am

12.30pm

Sheila Meehan
Sarah Clarke

Recently Deceased

Gerry Madigan, Helen Harnett

Months Mind

Anniversaries:

Gerry Martin - 12th Anniversary

Mon 10 AM-

Gerard Madigan.- recently deceased

Tues 10 AM—

Thurs 10 AM—

Fri 10 AM—

Parish Office Opening Times.

The secretarial office will be opened on Mondays & Thursday from 9 AM to 4 PM. The front Office/Bookshop will be opened Monday to Friday 9 AM to 4 PM

The Wednesday Afternoon Social Club are looking for new members. They meet in St Brigid's Parish Centre from 2-4pm. Just come along on a Wednesday, All are welcome.

Bethany Bereavement Drop-In returns, the last Friday of every month and is held in St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass.

The 'All are welcome Mass' gives a particular welcome to LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) people, their parents, family members and friends. This celebration of Sunday Mass takes place at 3.30 PM on the Third Sunday of each month in the chapel at Avila Carmelite Centre, Bloomfield Avenue (off Morehampton Road) Dublin 4, and is followed by chat over tea and coffee.

Save the Date: Sun 24th Nov. Performance of Handel's Messiah St Peter's Church, Phibsborough, D7. In aid of Church Restoration Fund. Featuring: Guinness Choir & Orchestra, renowned Soloists, Patricia Bardon, Andrew Boushell, Colette Boushell & Rory Musgrave.

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS
The special Mass to remember our loved ones who have died this past year will be held on Thursday 7th November at 7.30pm in St Brigid's Church. All invited to attend, especially anyone who lost a relative or friend during this time. Tea/coffee will be served in the Parish Centre afterwards.

Items for inclusion in this newsletter should be emailed to newsletter@cabinteelyparish.ie 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.

We wish every blessing and happiness to **Kay Cadogan** who retired this week after 25 years teaching in **St Brigid's Boys School**. We express our deep appreciation & gratitude to her for the excellent service that she has given over so many years.
We also wish **Geraldine O'Farrell** all the best on her retirement from **St Brigid's Girls School** where she has given 25 years of dedicated service.
Fr Aquinas

The Irish Hospice Foundation Living with Loss
An Information evening about Bereavement
Guest Speaker, Emma Hayes.
All welcome. Thurs. 7th Nov. , Alex Hotel, 41 Fenian Street, D2

Make a Difference (MAD) Sunday 27th Oct
This is an open invitation to everyone. This beautifully simple initiative hopes to encourage ALL people make a conscious effort to do one simple thing to help another & share it on social media with the #MADSunday to help, inspire, give hope & encourage others. **For resources & ideas go to -** <http://www.clondalkinparish.com/?p=3064> or <https://onedrive.live.com/?authkey=%21AFoNBgtoyhiYZCw&id=7F261FED9DC362D2%66>

Farewell & Thank You
Deacon Jeremy Seligman is in the process of moving house to Ashford and will be appointed to the Parish Of Ashford in due course where he will assist. I would like on behalf of all in the parish to express our deepest thanks and appreciation to Jeremy for his ministry in Cabinteely Parish and indeed also to his wife Siobhan for her contribution and ministry in the parish over many years. We wish them both every blessing on the journey ahead.
Fr Aquinas

Parish Prayer/Reflection Groups
Tuesday: Divine Mercy Devotions after the 10 AM Mass
Wednesday 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, Thurs & Fri at 9.40 AM.

Newman Canonisation
On Sun 13th Oct. Blessed John Henry Newman will be declared a Saint by Pope Francis. Blessed John Henry Newman was the founder of the first Catholic University in Ireland. The Diocesan Office for Catechetical Formation has produced a leaflet of Prayers and Reflections of John Henry Newman, which you can download from a special post on the Diocesan website <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/canonisation-of-blessed-john-henry-newman/> details of events taking place to mark the canonisation here in Dublin are also available.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week.
The 'On Being' project explores the intersection of spiritual enquiry, morality, science, community and the arts. This week, a riveting interview takes place with Derek Black and Matthew Stevenson. Black is a former white supremacist who grew up at the epicentre of white American nationalism. After his virulently racist ideology was outed at the New College of Florida, he was ostracised by most of his peers. Stevenson, one of the only Orthodox Jews on campus, invited him to Shabbat dinner. What happened next is a truly extraordinary story. Listen to 'Befriending radical disagreement' at www.NewPilgrimPath.ie.