

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



November 17th 2019.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Where would you go if the world was ending? What would you do? The last decade has seen a rise in doomsday prepping, the marketing of survival techniques, and a sea of products designed for you to weather the apocalypse. "The days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another that will not be thrown down," Jesus warns in today's Gospel. On the one hand, he is referring to the literal downfall of the city of Jerusalem. Indeed, many of his prophecies here have come true over the last few millennium. Nations have indeed "rise[n] against nation[s]," kingdoms against kingdoms. Surf any world news website today alone and you will see stories of "powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues." Jesus' advice to his disciples, however, isn't to build a bunker. It's to persevere in faith ... which won't be easy.

"They will seize and persecute you ... you will be handed over ... you will be hated because of my name." This warning, too, has come to pass in the Church throughout history in statesponsored persecutions and martyrdoms. Jesus is the Messiah, but his first coming was not a coming of earthly victory. Any disciple of his can expect a challenge. The coming of Christ didn't disrupt our free will. Evil still exists and sometimes even appears to triumph. This does not mean God has abandoned His people!

Jesus reminds the disciples — and us — of his constant presence. "I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking." In other Gospel passages, Jesus promises and sends the Holy Spirit upon his followers. The presence of God is real in our lives, no matter what trials come our way. It's tempting to be distracted or dismayed by natural destruction and moral evil in the world. But the Church has weathered greater storms. The sacredness of the human person endures. We can have hope! This day and every day, we can persevere in hope and trust in God.

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 17th Nov. 2019

MASS INTENTIONS Sat 16h Nov 2019

6.30 pm Vigil— Tom Curry - Anniversary

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10.00 am- John Doyle - Anniversary

12.30pm- Alan Kenny - 4th Anniversary Special Intention

Recently Deceased Mary Finn, Betty Callaghan, Gerry Byrne

Months Mind— Kathleen Adams

Anniversaries: -

Sun

Mon—10am— Boyle, O'Farrell, Mc Shane Family

Tues 10 AM- Meta & John Mulanney

Thurs 10 AM— Maureen Brophy-Anniversary

Fri 10 AM— Mary Gill - 1st Anniversary. The Power & O'Shea Families The Irish Cancer Society is looking for volunteers to assist in supporting and providing information to patients and families in their Dublin Daffodil Centre's. Please contact Deirdre Murphy on 01 231 0564 or <u>dmurphy@irishcancer.ie</u> for more information

Time of prayer and fraternal gathering for men exploring the call to Priesthood. The Vocations Office of the Dublin
 Diocese would like to invite men interested in discerning a call to priesthood to an evening of prayer and fraternal gathering.
 Do you know of men in your parish who might like to explore the call to priesthood? Please invite them along to this event being organised by the Vocations Team. Please RSVP before November 29th to Fr. Enda

at: <u>enda.cunningham@dublindiocese.ie</u> or Fr. Séamus at: <u>seamusmcentee@yahoo.com</u> Date: Friday 13th December. Time: 7.00 - 9.00pm. Location: St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, Dublin 2.

Large selection of **Divine Word Christmas Cards** for sale in the Parish Office along with novelty gift ideas. Do drop in during the week to have a look! The Search for Wisdom: Exploring the Wisdom traditions of the Bible with Jessie Rogers and Fr. Kieran O'Mahony in St. John the Evangelist, Ballinteer on the following Tues 7.30pm - Nov. 12,19,26 and Dec. 3,10. All welcome.

Funeral Ministry Team

Would you like to be part of a Funeral Ministry Team in Cabinteely Parish? This is an important ministry and can add so much to the funeral liturgy. It is also a way of preparing for the future when we will need parishioners who represent the parish to preside at Cremations and burials. There are a few nights of training over four evenings on Wednesdays 5 February/4 March/ 22 April and 20 May 2020 from 7.30 – 9.30 p.m. in Clonliffe College. If you are interested in being part of such a team, please leave your name and details into Parish Office of Sacristy or email Fr Duffy pp@cabinteelyparish.ie Bethany Bereavement Drop-In returns, the last Friday of every month and is held in St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass.

When Pope Francis Met Greta Thunberg': Please join us on Tuesday 19th November at 7.30pm in Dundrum Parish Pastoral centre when we will host a talk on the climate change emergency. Jane Mellett, the Laudato Si Officer at Trócaire, will share her thoughts and experiences of "Why has Pope Francis Declared a Climate Emergency?" Everyone is welcome.

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.

Parish Prayer/Reflection Groups Tues: Divine Mercy Devotions after the 10

AM Mass Wed. Centering Prayer 7pm-8pm Thurs.: Gospel Reflection 10.30am-12.30pm Fri: Gospel Contemplation 10.30- 12.30pm The Rosary is recited before the 10 AM mass on Monday, Tuesday, Thurs & Fri at 9.40 AM.

Do One thing.

This is a new initiative run by The Young Church Dublin to help vulnerable people in our city. We aim to gather young people from across the Dublin Diocese to come to St Paul's Church, Arran Quay between 5- 9.00pm on Tues. Nov. 26th where we will pack boxes and bags for the variety of homeless people of our city. If you would like to donate for this cause, please find the list of practical items attached or see https://www.dublindiocese.ie/event/do-one-thing/

Do Not Let Your Hearts be Troubled..... The Annual Remembrance Service Monastery of Saint Alphonsus, Drumcondra

Thursday 21st November 8.00 p.m. Let the music, reflections and warm atmosphere embrace you with comfort and consolation.

Dublin Diocesan Music Group www.rednuns.com

Cabinteely Church Renovation.

Anytime I celebrate Mass in St Brigid's Church, I am always filled with a deep sense of gratitude to the generations since 1836 that have looked after Cabinteely Church and Parish. I am also filled with a sense of wonder and feel privileged to be in such a beautiful Church. We are ultimately custodians and it is our turn now to look after the Church for this generation and beyond. We have no control over the future but we do have control of the present. On the weekend of the **9/10th November** we will be making a presentation at all Masses about the proposed work to be done on the Church. You will find the fund-raising booklet at the back of the Church which also gives an outline of the scope of the work and of how you can help. May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the Parish which is sowing seeds for the future.

Fr Aquinas