



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



May 31st, 2020 - Pentecost Sunday

You can feel so small standing by the seashore. The vastness of all that is before you expands much farther than your eye can see. What is happening on the other side? As tides continue to ebb and flow, what occurs as they come and go remains largely a mystery and the effects of their presence unknown in your sight. Yet, things are moving and changing as you gaze upon the water, as the thumbprint of their presence is left behind. The greater the wind and wave, the greater the effect. But even a gentle breeze leaves its humble mark upon the sea-shore on which you stand. The smallest pebble still makes a ripple in the great blue expanse of ocean waters. It doesn't need to be big.

You never know the full impact of your smallest gesture or simplest of words. A yes or no, agree or disagree, here or there, this or that can influence time and history in ways you may never know. The Holy Spirit is like that: fierce and torrential, and then almost still and silent, creating and recreating nonetheless. Coming as a gentle breeze or a gusty wind, God's Holy Spirit continues to move over, around, and into the waters of our lives. The Spirit brings fruit and unknown possibilities to what we humbly bring with us and that same Spirit eventually brings all to fulfillment in Christ.

The first disciples didn't have much. They possessed simple faith and a willingness to go into uncharted territory with a love of their friend-God, humble offerings, and a knowledge that they were not alone. This allowed them to do amazing things with very little. Do you believe that you are being led and that you have a purposeful life? We often do not realize our value because we do not think that the little we have is good enough. How wrong we are! A little flour mixed with water and embraced by a prayer of blessing transforms simple offerings into the magnificent Eucharistic presence of God. If the Holy Spirit can do such amazing things with these humble gifts of the earth, even more can happen with you. Don't underestimate the value of the smile you gave a stranger, the door held open for an elderly widow, the listening ear offered to one who was lonely, the tolerance given to the wounded soul who is angry, and the loving shoulder you offered as a cradle under the head of someone in pain. Modest gifts offered with love can be transformed by the Spirit into wondrous blessings you may never know. It's Pentecost. Trust. You are not alone.



SAVE CABINTEELY CHURCH
Estimated Cost: €500,000
Donate online at www.cabinteelyparish.ie

**YOUR DONATION
URGENTLY
REQUIRED**

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 31st May 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 30th May 2020
No Mass

Sun 31st May 2020

10.00 am only
Web broadcasted/ No Congregation

**The broadcast Mass on Bank Holiday
Monday 1st June is at 11 AM**

We remember on Sunday

Maurice Dore (2nd Anniversary)

Dr Pearl Dunlevy

Sean Daly (18th Anniversary)

Recently Deceased

Thomas (TP) Hardiman

Peg Hayes

Paul Wallace.

Fr Gerry Byrne Chaplain to the Blackrock
Clinic

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

The New Normal

We are in the process of preparing the Church for the new normal for when we re-open.

There will be a one way system in the front door and exit by side chapel for entry and also for communion downstairs.



St Brigid's Church Opening for Private Prayer

From Tuesday next **the 2nd June** St Brigid's Church will be open for Private Prayer Monday to Friday from **10.30 to 12.30**. There will be a section at the back of the Church where people can pray. We ask that people use the Hand Sanitisers and exercise Social Distancing with numbers limited at any one time to ten. There are bottles of Blessed Easter Water available. The Safe may also be used for the return of any offerings.

Thank You for Your Generosity

I would like to thank those who have contributed in these difficult times to the Easter Dues. The Easter Dues along with the First Collection on Sundays goes to the Common Fund from which an allowance is paid to priests. As there has not been a public Mass with a congregation since the middle of March and Churches are not due to open till after 20 July, the Common Fund is greatly depleted and in danger of complete collapse. People can still donate online to the First Collection, Share and to the Easter Dues.

See the Donate Page on our web-site www.cabinteelyparish.ie

You can also put money or a cheque payable to St Brigid's Parish and put into the letter box of the Pastoral Centre (Up the steps at the front door) or post a cheque to St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely Dublin 18. All of us are in uncharted waters. We all look forward to the day when our Churches will be open again even if they will only be able to accommodate smaller numbers due to the requirement for physical distancing. But we are on this journey together and together and with God's help we will find a way forward
Fr Aquinas

The Church & Parish Pastoral Centre are closed until further notice.

Mass broadcast.

During the current Public Health Emergency, Mass is broadcast from St Brigid's Church on Mondays to Fridays at 10 AM and on Sundays at 10 AM at www.cabinteelyparish.ie

Foxrock Church also broadcast Mass Monday to Saturday at 10 AM and on Sundays at 11.30 AM. See www.foxrockparish.ie

Our neighbouring Parish Johnstown-Killiney now have a live web camera for the broadcast of their services. See http://www.churchservices.tv/johnstownourlady

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE:

0818 222 024

If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19 call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8am - 8pm



As you know, donations made through the annual **Trócaire Lenten Campaign**, especially the **Trócaire box**, fund lifesaving programmes around the world. Due to the necessary restrictions related to COVID-19, thousands of **Trócaire** boxes are sitting in homes across Ireland. This is the worst possible time coming just as the world's poorest people need us most. Millions of people who live without access to adequate water supplies, sanitation and healthcare are now faced with the threat of COVID-19. We have done – and continue to do – so much to protect each other. Now it is time to protect the world's most vulnerable.

The contents of each and every **Trócaire** box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion. This year, people can return their Lenten donation in several ways

Online at www.trocaire.org, By post to any of our offices: Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. 50 King St, Belfast BT1 6AD. By phone 1850 408 408 (ROI) or. 0800 912 1200 (NI) Trocaire. Boxes can be dropped off to the church any day except Sat at 10.30

Congrats to Fr Tom O'Keeffe who recently celebrated his Diamond Jubilee (60 Years) Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. It is an opportunity for us to express our thanks to Fr Tom for the many many years of service that he has given to the Archdiocese of Dublin and in particular to the parish of Cabinteely where he has spent the greatest part of his ministry. May God continue to bless him and grant him good health and happiness. At a later time in the year we will have a Mass of thanksgiving.

Farewell and Thank You to 6th Class Boys and Girls

The Mass that will be broadcast from St Brigid's Church on Sunday 21st June at 10 AM will have a special focus for the Sixth Class Boys and Girls who will be graduating from the Parish Schools. I invite them and their families to watch on the Parish Web Cam at www.cabinteelyparish.ie.

We hope to have some of the students involved by way of pre-recorded readings and prayers. We wish all our students every blessing as they begin secondary schools in September. We thank them for the great contribution that they have made to their schools over the past eight years and wish them every blessing on the journey ahead.

Fr Aquinas

If you would like a loved one remembered at the weekday or Sunday Masses, you can email Fr. Aquinas pp@cabinteelyparish.ie with the details

Support Services for Older and Vulnerable People

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown
Helpline 01 271 3199. Opens 9am every day.
E mail covidsupport@dlrcoco.ie

Age Action and the Irish Red Cross have raised funds to provide additional assistance to older and vulnerable people around Ireland who are experiencing hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic by making once-off grants, up to a maximum of €500, per person/household affected. Email: hardship2020@redcross.ie
Phone: **Irish Red Cross at 01 6424600 or Tel: (01) 475 6989 Lo Call: 1890 369369**

The Samaritans

Available round the clock, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. If you need a response immediately, it's best to call on the phone. This number is **FREE** to call. **Tel: 116 123**
Email: samaritans.org

Pieta House

Pieta provides free therapy to those engaging in self-harm, with suicidal ideation, or bereaved by suicide. Freephone and no referral needed.
Tel: 1800 247 247

Jigsaw

Offering younger people going through a hard time, or for those worried about a young person in your life. www.jigsaw.ie <https://www.jigsaw.ie/news-and-events/post/covid-19-what-were-doing>

Cabinteely Conference of St. Vincent de Paul.

Provides support to needy families, who are struggling with everyday expenses or who experience unforeseen hardship. In many cases, their situation has been exacerbated by Covid19. Currently, we cannot hold our monthly church gate collection due to the on-going lockdown. As this collection represents the main source of income to support the work of Cabinteely Conference, our ability to continue providing services is being seriously jeopardised.

We are, therefore, seeking your support to allow us to continue providing help to families in need. Any contribution, no matter how small would be very helpful in easing the burden on these families. Contributions can be made as follows:

by phone - Please call 0818176176 quote Cabinteely Conference.

by post to: Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Cabinteely Conference Parish Centre, St. Brigid's Church, Cabinteely, Dublin 18.

or online to the account below: Account Name: St. Vincent de Paul, Saint Brigid's. Bank identifier Code: BOFIE2D. IBAN: IE92BOFI90118317728620.

Thank you for your generosity and God bless.

Brenda MacHugh President Cabinteely Conference.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21



COMMON PRAYER

for the 5th anniversary of

Laudato Si'

Loving God,

Creator of heaven and earth and all that is in them,
You created us in your own image and made us
stewards of all your creation.

You blessed us with the sun, water and bountiful land
so that all might be nourished.

Open our minds and touch our hearts,
so that we may attend to your gift of creation.

Help us to be conscious that our common home
belongs not only to us, but to all of your creatures and to
all future generations, and that it is our responsibility to
preserve it.

May we help each person secure the food and
resources that they need.

Be present to those in need in these trying times,
especially the poorest and those most at risk of being
left behind.

Transform our fear and feelings of isolation into hope
and fraternity so that we may experience a true
conversion of the heart.

Help us to show creative solidarity in addressing the
consequences of this global pandemic.

Make us courageous to embrace the changes that are
needed in search of the common good.

Now more than ever may we feel that we are all
interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to listen and respond to the cry of the earth
and the cry of the poor.

May the present sufferings be the birth pangs of a more
fraternal and sustainable world.

Under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians, we
make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen



**LAUDATO SI'
WEEK 2020**



DICASTERIO PER IL SERVIZIO
DELLO SVILUPPO UMANO INTEGRALE