



# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



**November 8<sup>th</sup> 2020 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

When doing student report cards, there was a comment the teacher could choose that read: inattentive and easily distracted. Could that comment describe your spiritual life? We can become so consumed with myriad distractions and preoccupations and lose our connection to what is really significant and important. We can become dull. This happens in our human relationships, too. We can easily take the love of others for granted, whether it be a parent, spouse, friend, or a child. We assume and presume that their love will always be there and do very little to cultivate, rejuvenate, and deepen it. Presumption can become a great sin.

We do the same thing with God and our spiritual lives. We presume that God will be merciful. Because we believe that in the end God is going to forgive us anyway, then why put a lot of effort into things now? What's the point? It's far easier to find a comfortable spot, curl up and take a nap! There is no immediate urgency to staying awake and attentive, so we think, and we simply fly by the seat of our pants. Assuming and presuming too much about our relationships, especially our relationship with God, can lead to neglect and abuse. It can even lead to a sense of entitlement, where we actually believe that something is due us without much effort on our part.

Folks who are distracted and preoccupied can find their relationships, especially the primary ones, drifting away. You can actually be married to someone for many years and wake up one morning realizing that you really do not know them or truly recognize them. We have to desire God in order to recognize God. We have to open our hearts, minds, and souls to His Presence so that we can be rejuvenated and refreshed. But we cannot do this if we are distracted or napping. We have to be awake and alert! As a young child eagerly watches for and anticipates that arrival of their parent home, so too we must watch for God's presence. If the anticipation of God's arrival does not excite us and rouse us, then we need to ask why. The wise person keeps vigilant watch, knowing that in the end they will not be disappointed.



## SAVE CABINTEELY CHURCH

Estimated Cost: €500,000  
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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Nov 8th 2020

### MASS INTENTIONS

Following the Government's recent announcement of **Level 5 restriction for all of Ireland, all Masses will be online until further notice.**

There will be **NO** public masses.  
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#### We remember on Sunday 8th

John Gray – 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Tom Curry—Anniversary  
Mary Finn – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Mai Boyle- Anniversary  
Gretta Flannery – 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Mollie & Ernie Corcoran Anniversaries  
John Whittle & Ada Whelan  
John Reidy—Anniversary  
Jim O'Keeffe- Anniversary

#### Recently Deceased.

Conor Byrne  
Una McDonnell  
Paddy Curley  
Lar Dunne  
Peggy & Joe McGlinchey

#### Months Mind Thomas Coone

**Mon 10am —** Birthday mass

**Tues 10am. —**  
John Gray—4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Mary Finn—1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**Thurs 10am -** Richard Morton—  
Recently Deceased.

**Fri 10am. -** Christina [Ina] Williams.  
—1<sup>st</sup> anniversary

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Mass will continue to be broadcast online via our [parish webcam](#) and at [www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely](http://www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely) on Sundays at 10 AM and on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays at 10 AM.

Please note that there will be **NO** baptisms during this period and the maximum number of people who can attend a **wedding or funeral is 25**.

While we are all deeply disappointed, we have to work together to ensure the safety of all. *Fr Aquinas*

Due to the Level 5 restrictions the **Parish shop** is closed until further notice.

The **Parish Office** can be contacted as usual on 01-2858835 or email [info@cabinteelyparish.ie](mailto:info@cabinteelyparish.ie)

#### Volunteer Drivers Irish Cancer Society

Irish Cancer Society is looking for volunteers to drive patients to and from their chemotherapy treatments. Drivers with a free weekday availability and who can commit to driving twice a month. Please email Gail at [gflinter@irishcancer.ie](mailto:gflinter@irishcancer.ie) or call 01 2310 566 for an application form. Due to the impact of the Coronavirus we are seeking drivers under the age of 70 years

### Local Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society Appeal for Help

We wish to thank all those who support our work, which enables us to assist families in difficult circumstances. Due to the continued lockdown, we have been unable to hold our monthly church gate collection. As this is our main source of income, our capacity to maintain all our services remains challenged. We are, therefore, seeking your continued support to allow us to continue providing help to those in need. This time of year, can be particularly difficult for some families. Any contribution, no matter how small, would be very helpful in easing the burden on these families. Contributions can be made as follows:

**by telephone** – Please call **0818176176** quoting **Cabinteely Conference** **by post** to: **Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Cabinteely Conference, Parish Centre, St. Brigid's Church, Cabinteely. D18** or **online** to the account below: **A/c Name: St. Vincent de Paul, Saint Brigid's Bank identifier Code: BOFIE2D. IBAN: IE-92BOFI90118317728620** Thank you for your continued support and generosity, Kind Regards, **Brenda MacHugh, President Cabinteely Conference.**

### ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS

The special Mass to remember our loved ones who have died this past year will be held this **Thurs 12th Nov at 7.30pm in St Brigid's Church**. Due to the ongoing restrictions this mass will be **ONLINE** only and can be viewed at [cabinteelyparish.ie](http://cabinteelyparish.ie) or <https://www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely>.

### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

**ALONE** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open 7 days a week, **8am - 8pm**, by calling **0818 222 024**.

Did you know you can donate to our parish through our parish website? Simply visit [www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie) & click on the **Donate** button.

### New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week .

"When you lose someone you love, Your life becomes strange, The ground beneath you gets fragile". November is the month of remembrance for the dead. A short, guided reflection on "Grief" is presented by the superb Jesuit website, Pray As You Go, drawing on the lines of John O'Donohue's haunting poem, "For Grief". Access this, and other rich spiritual online resources, at [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

### A message from Parishioner Maureen Luby

"I want to say a big thank you to all those who have been thinking of and offering prayers for me at this testing time"  
**Thank you very much,**

### Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you to those who continue to contribute to the 1st Collection (Common Fund which pays an allowance to priests) and the 2nd Collection (Share which supports developing parishes and the Diocesan Administration) in addition to the planned Giving which supports the running of the parish. There are permanent boxes in place for 1st & 2nd Collections. There is also a double envelope for the 1st & 2nd Collections. **If you put your name and address on the envelope we can claim the tax back on it.** *Fr Aquinas*

If you are an older person and would like someone to talk to, particularly since Covid-19, consider phoning **SeniorLine**. We are Ireland's national confidential service for older people. We are open every day of the year from 10am-10pm. We are older people too, trained to listen and support. We would love to hear from you. Freefone **1800 80 45 91**