



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



March 21st 2021 - 5th Sunday of Lent

Any good teacher or parent will tell you that once a lesson is really learned it doesn't need to be taught again. When we internalize things we have learned, they become a part of who we are and influence how we perceive and interact with our world. The same is true for the law God has written upon our hearts. Once humanity learns this lesson, we will simply know it to be true and act accordingly. Sometimes, it is hard to get people to learn the lessons they need to learn. They are often distracted, disinterested, conflicted, misdirected, or just too stubborn and unable or unwilling to see what is right before their eyes. Understanding that God is in a loving and committed relationship with those fashioned and formed in God's own image, seems like such a simple lesson to learn. But history & experience has proven that it is not.

We struggle with faith, especially when that faith asks us to learn something very particular about ourselves. We must, like a grain of wheat, fall to the ground and die. Because God's DNA is at the very core of who we are, there are specific pearls of wisdom that must be acquired before we can live a full life. One very powerful lesson is that it is not the task of the world to tell us who we are and what has meaning, but God. For many, death is not an opportunity for greater life but a permanent ending to the life they have known. Jesus knew every dimension to what it means to be fully human because he was! He knows the joys, limitations, sorrows, frustrations, wonders, suffering, opportunities, and joys of the human experience. Jesus can teach us a wealth of knowledge and life's lessons from his example, especially obedience.

When we accept the law God has placed in our hearts and gain wisdom from it, then when we suffer we learn to listen more attentively to the Voice behind that law. We naturally flee to our Creator for inspiration, consolation, hope, direction, and comfort as we navigate through this time of darkness. We will not need to run from it, subdue it, fight it, or be overcome by it because we will know, having internalized this profound lesson before, that God will bring new life. God's law is love and love never fails. Even in the moments of Jesus' deepest despair, he glorified the name of his Father. What he learned allowed him to put everything in perspective and be obedient to the tender, loving Voice that echoed within. As Lent quickly winds down, may we learn the same! Then, may we gain the fortitude and wisdom to help others see what is right before their eyes.



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Estimated Cost: €500,000
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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 21st 2021

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.

Mass will be broadcast online via our parish webcam and at www.churchservices.tv/Cabinteely
The Church is open for private prayer from 10.30am to 4pm—Mon to Fri

We remember on Sunday 21st

Stephen Foley—Anniversary
Frieda O'Halloran—Anniversary
Ellen [Nellie] Lynch – 10th Anniversary.
Fionnola Doyle – 21st Anniversary
Pat Guinan—13th Anniversary

Recently Deceased.

Stephen Maher
Marie Devlin Blake

Anniversaries

Danny Shannon
Johnny Duffy
Eileen O'Neill—1st Anniversary
James & Christina Brady
Mercia & James Treacey & Margaret & Tom Manley

Mon 10am— Madeline Fennessy—
Recently Deceased

Tues 10am— Frank Byrne—Recently
Deceased

Thurs 10am—
John Duffy—Anniversary.
Desmond Healy—Anniversary

Fri 10am.— Jim Philips—10th
Anniversary

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS

LEGION OF MARY – YOUTH CONFERENCE.

The Catholic Young Adult Conference via Zoom on March 27th from 5:30 - 7:30pm is a chance for young adults (18 – 40) wherever they are to come together online to build up their hope. The theme “Hope Springs Eternal” will be discussed in a great line up of short talks and testimonies mixed together with music and prayer. The Conference is free to attend just log in to Zoom: ID [847 1984 5205](https://zoom.us/j/84719845205)

Passcode: 771328 . Whatever about an injection for Covid, come and get a powerful injection of hope! Newcomers especially welcome."

YCD Connected – Bringing Young People Together

The Young Church Dublin invite you to join our connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's) We meet online **every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm**

It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith.

For more information please email:

kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie

LENTEN TALKS – ST MARY'S PARISH, ENNISKERRY

During the season of Lent a series of Talks will be delivered by webcam or Zoom from St Mary's Parish Church. The Talks will mainly be centred on areas of social injustice, Christian responsibility and personal health and well-being. All Talks will be at **7.30 pm.** and details will be published on www.enniskerryparish.ie

• Thursday 25th March -

Tina Roche who is involved in the Enniskerry Sustainable Development Community Project will give a Talk.

TRÓCAIRE

Lent is an extremely important time of year for Trócaire. The organisation relies heavily on the income that comes in during Lent through the generosity of schools and parishes. The ongoing lockdown presents challenges especially in relation to the distribution of Lenten Boxes. You can pick up a Trocaire box from the church or donate online at www.trocaire.org.

Your love can make all the difference this Lent.

EASTER 2021

In the absence of public ceremonies this Easter, we have prepared an Easter pack for you to take home. This pack includes some Blessed Palm, details of all the web broadcast Easter Ceremonies, the Easter Triduum booklet and an Easter Dues envelope. The packs will be available to collect from the back of the church from Monday next [March 22nd]

Age Action

Is offering five hours tutoring, remotely, to anyone who needs support using their smartphone, tablet or laptop. Covering topics like how to set up an email, how to download an app, how to use video calling to see your loved ones etc. For more information, please call 01 4756989 or email gettingstarted@ageaction.ie

Generation Tech

Volunteer run FREE HELPLINE to help older people in Ireland with tech issues. Our volunteers are tech experts and work in shifts from 8am-8pm Mon to Fri. Support is provided over the phone. If you need help with smartphones, tablets, social media, apps, PCs, printers, etc. **CALL US on: 01-9633 288**

LIVING IN UNSETTLING TIMES – REFLECTIONS FOR THE TIME AND SEASON

The Glasnevin Grouping of Parishes are doing a series of online reflections by Fr Paddy Sweeney over Thursdays in Lent. Each session will start at **7:30pm** and can be accessed by webcam.

Thursday 25th March: I haven't much to offer! – www.corpuschristidrumcondra.ie

COVID-19 - Support Line for Older People.

ALONE manage a national support line & additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries & give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling [0818 222 024](tel:0818222024).

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 & 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