



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



May 9th 2021- 6th Sunday of Easter

"Remain in my love," and, "I call you friends," are powerful words that are found in John's Gospel. Most of us probably have them committed to memory or have at least heard them proclaimed dozens of times. They are words that can easily become trite and quickly glossed over without fully pondering and digesting their profound beauty. When we take the time to immerse ourselves in them, they can radically change our lives and our relationships. They can open up new doors of adventure and hold countless possibilities for meaning. The essence of love and friendship are things that can easily be taken for granted. They have always been there and are a significant part of our lives. Many would say that they could not live without love and friendship, and they put a great deal of care into preserving, deepening and sustaining them. Love and friendship share a mutual relationship with each other that deserves more reflection.

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our "failures in love." In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love's author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us. It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.

Coming upon this truth is what leads folks like St. Francis of Assisi to leave that which is comfortable and worldly and live a radical life. They relate with the love of God that radiates in and through all living things and appreciate their sacredness. It was having an intimate experience of God's love and friendship that propelled St. Francis and others to embrace simplicity, act non-violently, pursue humility, love enemies, care for the earth and open up avenues for true justice. Understanding this profound truth will also help us find peaceful solutions to world's problems, restore relationships with our sisters and brothers, bring the grace of loving stewardship to creation and heal many wounds. Once we begin to see how wonderfully holy all of life really is, we discover joy. We lose our need for fear, develop a fierce fortitude, act prudently and seek justice. There is great power in love because it comes from God. It will never fail. It also enjoys the company of two other friends who are eager to become our friends as well: faith and hope. These are just as important to have and to share

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER May 9th 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

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 9th

Jimmy Doyle—Anniversary
Michael & Martha McLoughlin—Anniversaries
Prince Mathew Joseph- 1st Anniversary
T.P. Santhiavoo—Anniversary
Maeve Power – 3rd Anniversary
Clem O'Reilly – 6th Anniversary Dick & May Shakespeare
Mary, Patrick & Joseph Fenlon
John Nash – 1st Anniversary

Recently Deceased.

Jo-Anne Hickey
Elizabeth Connolly
Connie Lonergan
Laurence Shannon
Monsignor Ardlie MacMahon
Frank Marshall

Anniversaries

Sé Quirke—14th Anniversary

Mon 10am —

Eileen Duffy—Anniversary

Tues 10am. - Get Well Mass

Thurs 10am. Marie Devlin Blake—Recently Deceased

Fri 10am. - Nora Mahon—1st Anniversary

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Bealtaine at Home 2021

The word Bealtaine is still used in the Irish language and translates as the month of May. The name is said to derive from Old Irish, meaning "bright fire." Bealtaine festival takes place in May every year and is a celebration of the arts and creativity as we age.

'Bealtaine at Home' is organised by dlr Libraries, dlr Arts Office and the dlr Age Friendly Programme with the co-operation of the PPN, Dublin South FM and Southside Partnership.

You can find all information on the programme and how to register for events [here](#).

St Vincent de Paul Appeal

We have all found this past year very challenging at times. However, since the St Vincent de Paul church gate collections have been suspended, we need to appeal once again for your kind support to enable us to bring hope and practical help to struggling families. Your generosity and kindness makes a world of difference and is sincerely appreciated.

Donations can be made as follows:
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:
Account : St. Vincent de Paul, Saint Brigid's
Bank identifier Code: BOFIE2D
IBAN: IE92BOFI90118317728620

Thank you.

Welcome Back

Public Mass resumes from May 10th 2021.

Weekdays

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri.
at 10am

No mass on Wednesday

Weekends

Sunday: 10.00am

All masses available online
www.churchservices.tv

Please Note:

Numbers are limited to allow for social distancing

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).

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: Becoming Stillness
'God refuses to be known by the intellect. God only allows himself to be loved by the heart.' Renowned Franciscan author and speaker, Richard Rohr, quotes St John of the Cross in a powerful address on 'Becoming Stillness' at Norwich Cathedral. In it, he expresses the conviction that our day-to-day life and our religious beliefs do not allow us to understand, embrace or even recognize the great mystery of God, love, and compassion because we are locked in the grids of our own conditioned minds. He outlines his vision of a non-dual, contemplative Christianity, which disappeared from the west 400 years ago. Listen to this inspiring recording at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Accessing the Church Webcam

It is always best to access the Church webcam directly by going to www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

rather than via the website where a queue can develop and people get timed out when all accessing at 10 AM

FAITHFEST – POWERED BY THE SPIRIT

Calling all teenagers! Join us for an evening of games, music, workshop, chats & prayer
Faithfest will take place **21st May 6:30 – 8:30 online**. You can register online using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/ZRLPXhUvSP> For more information email: faithfest@dublindiocese.ie

Pope Francis Prayer for Protection from the Coronavirus

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,

joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,

to conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself,
and bore our sorrows to bring us,

through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. **Amen.**

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test
and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

TARSUS SCRIPTURE SCHOOL: PENTECOST 2021

- "Babel to Jerusalem & beyond:
Acts 2:1-11" (Jessie Rogers)
- "There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit:
1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13" (Kieran J. O'Mahony)
- "Breathing new life: John 20:19-23" (Sean Goan)

To explore and register, **click [here](#)**

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