

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



September 12th 2021 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Sept 12th 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Brigid's is open daily for Public Mass

Weekdays

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at 10am No mass on Wednesday Bank Holidays at 11am

Weekends
Sunday: 10.00am & 11.30am
All masses available online

www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

Numbers are limited to allow for social distancing

We remember on Sunday 12th

10am

Joan Salmon—Anniversary

11.30am

Recently Deceased

Mary Twomey Fr. Oliver Crotty

Anniversaries:

Tom Wallace

Mon 10am - Maureen Luby— Months Mind

Tues 10am -

Thurs 10am -

Fri 10am -

Many people are desperately struggling with Back to school and grocery expenses at this time. **St. Vincent de Paul** are doing all they can to help and will hold their monthly church gate collection this

Sunday, the 12th of September.

Any help you can give, no matter how small is much appreciated.

St Vincent de Paul envelopes are available at the back of the church and donations can either be given to collectors on the day or handed into the parish office during the week

Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral Letter: The Cry of the Earth—The Cry of the Poor.

At this time every person on our planet is confronted with two interconnected crises: the coronavirus pandemic and the ecological crisis. Both define our age. Both require urgent action. But it is the reality of climate change that is 'humanity's defining challenge.' Over the coming decades, the havoc of the pandemic will pale when compared to that of climate change. To respond to the climate crisis, and to mark the Season of Creation—which began on September 1st and continues until the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi on October 4th—Archbishop Farrell has published a pastoral letter, The Cry of the Earth—The Cry of the Poor: the Climate Catastrophe—

Creation's Urgent Call for Change. This

pastoral is an invitation to all people-

those in the Church and those beyond—to

reflect on the climate crisis in new ways, so

that the baptised may live the life of faith

more vibrantly, and everyone may respond

more actively to the serious situation in

which the world finds itself. The pastoral

letter is available on online and we have a

limited number of copies at the back of the

church.

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you wish to connect with people in relation to your mental well- being, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, These services provide support, coping skills and information and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience For more info. about the groups https:// www.aware.ie/support/ support-groups

The 'Walking Together in Hope' initiative was launched on 25th August 2021 at Saint Mary's Pro-Cathedral. To watch please click here

<u>Launch of Families</u> <u>Walking Together in</u> Hope – YouTube

Click for more details https://

<u>cabinteelyparish.ie/</u> <u>families-walking-</u> together-in-hope/

Irish Girl Guides

are looking for adult volunteers for local units. Come and join this wonderful organisation which helps girls develop new skills, try new activities and discover their potential. All while you discover yours too! Contact Alice on 086 3541195 for more info.

Bayside Alpha are running a free 7-week Zoom course on prayer starting on Wednesday the 22nd of September at 7.30pm. The course is called 40 Days of Prayer and consists of a 60 minute weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for prayer and sharing and a different Scripture to reflect on at home on each of the 40 days. If you'd like to join please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com.]

CROSSCARE ANNUAL COLLECTION 2021

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese on the weekend of 18th and 19th September 2021. It will replace the usual Share collection.



Felix Larkin

As a longtime resident of Cabinteely, I'm delighted that my new book, LIVING WITH HISTORY, is on sale locally in Urbun café for €24.

COVID-19 - Support Line for Older

People - ALONE manage a national support line & supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries & give advice. The line is open 7 days, 8am- 8pm, by calling.

0818 222 024.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

NEEDED FOR THE 11.30 SUNDAY MASS. PLEASE GIVE YOUR NAME TO THE PARISH OFFICE IF INTERESTED.

Supporting St. Brigid's Parish-

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The Easy Payments online donate button is below through which you can set up once off or monthly payments to all the collections. Also here are Print Version of Standing Order Forms

For First and Second Sunday Collections standing-order-collections

For Parish Planned Giving to support the

Standing Order FAMILY OFFERING For Church Renovation Fund Standing Order FUNDRAISING



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.