

## St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



#### October 10th 2021—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for "love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self." Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbour with that same degree of fervour.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance & treated as objects. We cannot truly know our neighbours, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person's story, we begin to realise more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God's work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust.

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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Oct 10th 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 10th

#### 10am.

Sheila Meehan Sarah Clarke Max Rathakrishnan – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

#### 11.30am.

Peter O'Dwyer – 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary John & Evie Mooney – Anniversaries

#### **Recently Deceased**

Gerald Donleavy

#### Mon 10am

Mary Finn—2nd Anniversary

Tues 10am — Special Intention

Thurs 10am - Mass for the Holy Souls

#### Fri 10am

Séan Finn—Anniversary

'St. Vincent de Paul will hold their monthly church gate collection This Sun. 10th October.

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. Your continued generosity enables us to bring hope to those who are struggling at this time and is very much appreciated

#### **Drug and Alcohol Programme**

Crosscare's Drug & Alcohol programme offers a free addiction counselling service. We are currently looking for Student, Pre-accredited and Accredited counsellors/Psychotherapists to volunteer once a week for a minimum of 1-3hrs, in our Blanchardstown and Balbriggan Service. If you are interested in volunteering for DAP, please contact susan@crosscare.ie or call us 01 836

## Cabinteely Active Retirement Bridge

has resumed in the parish centre.

Thurs 2pm- 4.30pm.

Only fully vaccinated players can attend. COVID Certificates to be presented on arrival

Face masks on entry and exit and when moving around but not necessary at the table as screens are being used

Tables will be spaced out to ensure players are suitably distanced

Players must bring their own sanitiser and drinks.

#### Tap & Go





The new tap and go machine for the Sunday Collections is now in place. The amount donated is divided 60/40 for First (Common Fund for Priests) and Share (Developing Parishes and Diocesan Admin).

### VOLUNTEER WITH CROSSCARE—Community Cafés

Would you like to help in a really practical way to support people in food poverty in the community? Crosscare Community Cafe in D1 are looking for volunteers to help our wonderful kitchen staff behind the scenes as a volunteer kitchen porter 1-2 mornings per week (Mon-Fri 10.30-2.30) Call Orla on 086 130 1575 or email volunteer@crosscare.ie

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown (dlr) annual Festival of Inclusion takes place this year with a mix of in person & online events to highlight Social Inclusion initiatives and to celebrate and promote activities of Community Groups & Volunteers in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. This year, over 5 days from Thurs, 14<sup>th</sup> – Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, you are invited and encouraged to take part and enjoy the variety of events taking place across the county and in your community with activities ranging from: Music in the Parks, Dance, Yoga, Health & Wellbeing, Neighbour Day, Women4Women Breakfast, Parlour Songs, Men's Shed activities, Time Capsule Project, dlr Libraries Sensory Wall & Equipment and events by dlr Integration Forum, LGBT Ireland, dlr PPN, Senior Wellness Active Programme, Southside Women's Action Network (SWAN), dlr Arts Office and much more! All events are free and for all information and booking, go to <a href="https://events.dlrcoco.ie/">https://events.dlrcoco.ie/</a>

**FAMILIES WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE** <u>Table Talk</u> – Kitchen Table Resources for October including a lively podcast are now on the diocesan website – part of the Year of the Family celebration. see <a href="https://dublindiocese.ie/">https://dublindiocese.ie/</a> for more details

## Sacred Space 21 years ago, two Irish Jesuits were quick to

New Pilgrim Path Websi6te of the Week:

21 years ago, two Irish Jesuits were quick to appreciate the potential of the Internet as a force for digital evangelization when they started a website as a Lenten experiment in offering guided prayer online.

The experiment extended far beyond Lent, going from strength to strength. Today, the global phenomenon that is "Sacred Space" is among the top most-visited prayer website in the world. It attracts 18,000 visitors a day, of all Christian faiths and none from around the globe, praying at their computers, on their laptops, tablets or smartphones, in 22 languages. The site guides the visitor through a session of prayer, in six stages, including preparing your body and mind, and culminating in reflection on a scripture passage chosen specially for the day. This is a wonderful use of the Internet and can be visited at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Supporting St. Brigid's Parish-Registered Charity Number (RCN) 20016166 and CHY 7424

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



#### 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

Our Church cleaning team & Minister of the Word teams are looking for new volunteers. Leave your name with the parish office if interested.

#### 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.