

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



March 27th 2022—4th Sunday of Lent

God's love story reveals itself in our stories, experiences, and aspirations. We are all prodigal sons and daughters. There are many times in our lives when we would "sell our souls" in order to pursue our passions. We pursued what we wanted without regard for others or God. We have sowed our oats, thrown ourselves into careless pleasures, spent what we know we ought to have saved, turned our backs on those we love and abused gifts we have been given. We even hit bottom and realised the silliness and self-destruction of it all. We needed to come home. We knew we erred and needed a gentle presence to show us God's unconditional love. This wayward journey home changed us.

As much as we need to be welcomed, we are also the one who needs to do the welcoming and mercy giving. Those we love need our guidance, but they don't always take it. We know that what they are doing is off the mark, self-destructive and wrong. We have to let them go and let it happen, even though they might get hurt. As we wait and hope, they choose to make their way back to us. They don't need us to judge them. They have done enough of that to themselves. We immediately embrace them and are just happy they're home. God uses us to help heal them. Knowing how much we craved understanding and forgiveness ourselves, we can now freely give it away. God uses what he has taught us to teach others.

We are also the entitled ones. At least we "think" we are entitled. After all, we work hard for what we have. We cannot get our heads around the idea that someone can get something that I really deserve! If I do what I'm supposed to do, I ought to be rewarded for that, right? If I do something wrong, I ought to pay the consequences. This is justice, isn't it? This is not God's justice. God is all about love, mercy, compassion, and forgiveness. God's justice is love freely given without merit. We carry the stories of the prodigal son, the unconditional forgiving father, and the entitled angry brother with us. When we make friends with all three, humbly telling those stories to others makes us Christ's ambassadors.

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER March 27th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekdays

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

Weekends

Vigil Mass (Saturday) **5.30 PM Sunday: 10.00am & 12.30am**All masses available online

www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

Sat March 26th—5.30pm Vigil

Sunday March 27th—10am

Eileen Magee – 1st Anniversary Joseph [Joe] Barrett [24th] & Marian Barrett [10th] – Anniversaries Clare Grant – 2nd Anniversary

Sunday March 27th—12.30

Stephen McDonnell – 1st Anniversary
Bert Callery, Pat Flynn & Paddy
McConville – Anniversaries
Joan Fox – 4th Anniversary

Recently Deceased

Doris McLoughlin Maureen McAteer Paddy McInerney

Mon 10am—Special Intention Kathleen Nicholson RIP.

Tues 10am Dr Declan Irving [Anniversary] Josephine Fanning - Recently deceased

Thur 10am - Mass for the Holy Souls

Fri 10am - First Friday

Special Collection for Ukraine:

The Irish Bishops have asked for a Special Collection to be taken up at Masses on the weekend of 26th/27th March to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland in advance of the Russian invasion. The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to Caritas Internationalis, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region. Please be as generous as you can. *Thank you*.

Volunteers needed to operate **the coffee dock** on Sundays after the 10am Mass. Please give your name into the parish office, call 012858835 or email info@cabinteely parish.ie if you can help.

LISTENING TO OUR YOUNG CHURCH - DUBLIN DIOCESAN TEEN SYNOD

Young People of Dublin - This is your chance! Pope Francis wants to hear what you think or feel about our Church. We would love to hear your voice at our Dublin Diocesan Teen Synod! Join us online **Thurs 31st March 6:30pm - 8pm**.

You can register online using this link: https://
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ARCHDIOCESE OF DUBLIN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The Archdiocese of Dublin Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on **Saturday April 23rd**.

Email Queries: knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie

OFFICE FOR MISSION & MINISTRY LENTEN INITATIVE

The Office for Mission and Ministry are offering daily reflections for the Lenten Journey. With parishes holding their Synod gatherings during Lent, we will be focusing on themes around journeying, walking with, listening to each other and the Spirit. The reflections will be posted each morning on the Facebook page of the office for Mission and Ministry.

www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry

AWARE- SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, 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

"ALONE supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation. Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home? We are seeking volunteers to make Support & Befriending calls to older people. Please visit our website at www.alone.ie or call our National Support and Referral line on 0818 222 024 to find out more about volunteering

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 Parish

Standing Order FAMILY OFFERING For Church Renovation Fund Standing Order FUNDRAISING



A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. **Amen**

FROM FEAR TO HOPE An Online Reflection for Lent

Mon 28 March 2022 @ 8.00p.m.

Live from the Monastery of Saint Alphonsus, Drumcondra

✓ Hope

□ Fear

Presented by the Full

Time Chaplaincy Students of DCU
Music will be led by the Dublin Diocesan Music
Group. Log on to webcam www.rednuns.com

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.