



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

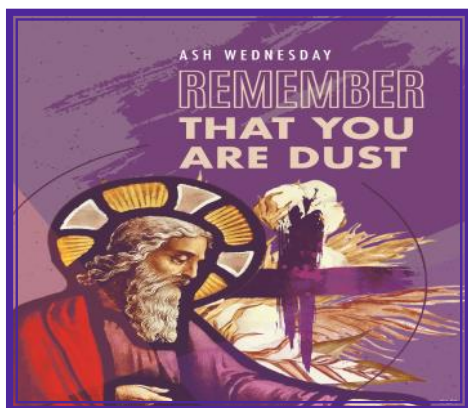


Feb. 19th 2023 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: "But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you." An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just love poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. "What is unusual about that?" asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, while they were doing it. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual. — **Father John Muir**



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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 Feb 18th —5.30pm

Sun Feb 19th— 10am

Moira Flavin—4th Anniversary

Henry & Josephine Smith—Anniversaries

Sun .Feb 19th —12.30am

Thomas Brazil—Anniversary

Recently Deceased

Monday - 10am

Denis Wardell—Recently Deceased

Tues - 10am

Kevin Sheehy—Recently Deceased

Ash Wednesday 10am

Thurs - 10am

Moira Carter—Anniversary

Fri Jan—10am

Mass for the Holy Souls

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland,

Monday 27th March 2023. €599.00 per person sharing. Price includes return train, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement €100.00. Contact Patricia on [087 1890 236](tel:0871890236) or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

Website of the Week: 40 Acts of Love for Lent

Nothing in nature lives for itself. The rivers do not drink their own water; the trees do not eat their own fruit; the sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. The purpose of being a human – our common mission – is to reach out to God, to other humans and to all creation. **Lent starts on 22nd Feb. Ash Wednesday.** What better way to set out on our Lenten journey than with the 40-day challenge. 40 acts of love, for others, for creation – one for each day of Lent?
www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS & VICTIMS OF ABUSE

The Annual Day of Prayer for Survivors & Victims of Abuse is an initiative of Pope Francis and is held on the 1st Friday of Lent, which falls on **Fri Feb 24th** this year

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Mon to Fri, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.

*** Desert Fathers A Lenten Program for men ***

A lenten program for men has been developed by an Irish priest to help men make this Lent different. The program contains 4 pillars - Prayer, Penance, Spiritual reading & Charity. To find out more and join an online group a zoom information meeting is scheduled for Sun Feb 19th at 8:30pm. Meeting ID [494 625 9738](tel:4946259738) Password: 997298. Email desertfathers40@gmail.com for a copy of the program.

CE Employment Scheme. Are you eligible for Community Employment? We have vacancies for the following positions in St. Brigid's Parish, Cabinteely.

Office Admin/Reception & Caretaker.

Step 1. Please contact the Dept. Of Social protection to establish your eligibility.

Step 2. Once the dept. confirms eligibility contact Melissa Tobin on 01-2822704 for more info on how to apply

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 Parish

[Standing Order FAMILY OFFERING](#)

For Church Maintenance Fund



TOWARDS PEACE

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support for anybody who has been abused, physically emotionally, sexually, spiritually, in a religious/church environment. Towards Peace was established in 2014 by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference & the Assoc. of Leaders of Missionary & Religious Leaders of Ireland. (AMRI)

It is a pathway, a safe space where people who have been hurt can connect with their own spirituality, their sense of God and their own journey Towards Peace. The service is free and is also available to the families of those who have been affected. The Towards Peace office hours are Mon & Tues 9am - 4pm and Wed 9am - 12noon. For further information phone 01 5053028 or 086 7710533 or visit www.towardspeace.ie or <https://www.facebook.com/TowardsPeaceSpiritualSupportService/>.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Fri 5th – Sat 13th May 2023

Spiritual Directors: Sr Consilio Rock (Navan) and Fr Tom Dalzell (Ballybrack-Killiney) Cost: €1995.00 per person sharing. Dinner, B&B in 4 star hotels in Tiberias & Jerusalem. Deposit: €300, payable to Navan Travel at 046 9068600 or by email at: info@travalue.ie Full itinerary at www.travalue.ie. More information from Fr Tom Dalzell at 01-2826404.

Sallynoggin/Glenageary Parish

Mass & Anointing of the Sick—Sun 19th Feb

We are pleased to welcome the priests and parishioners of surrounding Parishes to join us for Mass and Anointing of the Sick on Sunday 19th February at 2.30pm. Families and carers are asked to bring their elderly or housebound if possible. Refreshments will be provided in the Church after Mass.

TALKS AT BOHERNABREENA PARISH

Would you like an opportunity to come together with others to hear stories of hope, stories about coming to know God's love, and coming to find joy even in the midst of the difficulties and challenges of life? Can you spare some time on the Monday evenings in Lent, for 6 weeks starting from **Mon, Feb 27th**? You would be most welcome to come along to a series of talks with informal discussions and a cup of tea in **Holy Rosary Church, Old Court Avenue, Ballycragh, D24 X798**, starting at 7.30pm. We hope you will find it a welcoming place, and that it will be a safe space for sharing something of our faith journey

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 & information & most importantly help people who are in distress to know they are not alone in their experience. For more info. <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups>

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