



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Dec 22nd 2024 — Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sharing and Celebrating faith

One of **M**ary's first recorded journeys was after the announcement to her that she was to be the mother of **G**od. It was a journey of service, a visit to her cousin who needed help. When dealing with such challenges as pregnancy bereavement, redundancy, a son in prison, or a daughter on drugs – we want to talk and we want support.

Mary and **E**lizabeth had something else to share – their **f**aith. The prayers they said have been said ever since. The stage was small but the audience has been millions ever since. They were not shy about their faith in their **G**od.

In a time like ours we need to externalise our faith – to go to Church, send a card with a Christmas greeting, not just a season's wish – not to parade, but to make present our faith.

The meaning this week is – ***Jesus is born, and we celebrate that together***, with thanks, music, socialising, prayer and Mass. We need to find **G**od again, and let ourselves be open to him in the deepest areas of life, just like both these women, **M**ary and **E**lizabeth, and their spouses **J**oseph and **Z**echariah were open to **G**od promptings.

Nothing need keep us from **G**od or from the crib at **C**hristmas. All are welcome.
The real meaning of **C**hristmas is to meet with **G**od and to help our neighbour.

Come Lord Jesus and bring joy and laughter among us.

Come with , the music of eternity and the songs of the earth.

Come among us and make us truly grateful for your birth and your love.

Donal Neary SJ

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekdays

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at **10am**

Including Bank Holidays

No mass on Wednesday.

Weekends

Vigil Mass (Saturday) **5.30 PM**

Sunday: 10.00am & 12.30am

All masses available online

Confessions available after the 5.30pm vigil mass in the side chapel & weekday mornings after mass - on request

www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

Saturday Vigil Dec 21st — 5.30pm

Tommy Curley—Christmas Remembrance

Sunday Dec 22nd — 10am

Jonie Buckley — Christmas Remembrance

Declan Harnett —2nd Anniversary

William Blake—Anniversary

Ethyl Walsh—Christmas Remembrance

Sunday Dec 22nd — 12.30

Pamela Dalton—10th Anniversary

Gerard Holmes - Anniversary

Tom Clarke—Christmas Remembrance

Bernie Byrne—Recently Deceased

Jim Gibbons—25th Anniversary

John F Byrne & William Byrne -Anniversary

Monday - 10am

Paddy Torey—5th Anniversary

Christmas Eve Tues 24th

No morning mass

6pm & 9pm

Christmas Day

8.30am, 10am & 12 noon

St. Stephens Day—Dec 26th 10am

Fearghal O'Farrell, & Mary & Billy

Boyle & John & Tessie McShane.

Sylvia Huet—5th Anniversary

Friday Dec 27th—10am

Doreen Sexton—Anniversary

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Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve – 6pm & 9pm [with carols from 8.30pm]

Christmas Day 8.30am, 10am [Adult Choir & 12noon [Gospel Group]

The full listing of all masses in the surrounding parishes are displayed at the back of the church

CROSSCARE APPEAL

Crosscare, the social care agency of the Archdiocese, is once again asking for support for their **Christmas Food Poverty Appeal..**

Anyone wishing to contribute can donate at www.crosscare.ie, call 01 8360011, or send a cheque or postal order to Crosscare Christmas Appeal, 2 Saint Mary's Place North,

Christmas Confessions

Christmas Eve—Confessions in St Brigid's Cabinteely between **11am and 12noon**

Change in Sunday Mass Times

From Sunday Dec 29th 2024 the 2nd Sunday mass will be at 12noon and not 12.30pm

Thank You For your Generosity

Sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously and regularly to our parish collections. The two collections during Mass go to the central administration of the diocese. The First Collection [plus dues] is used to pay the priest's salaries, both working & retired. The second collection (**Share**) pays for the services provided by the diocese and is used to support parishes that are struggling financially. If you want to support the parish at local level, you can use the weekly envelopes or pay by standing order (details in parish office). If you would like to make a donation by credit/ debit card, simply scan the QR code using the camera on your phone and it will take you to our secure online donations page, where you can enter your card details.

First Collection



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The local team of **St Vincent de Paul** are very grateful for the wonderful response to their Annual **Christmas** Appeal - your very generous support helps makes **Christmas** better for everyone. **Thank You.**

Farewell to Ken our Sacristan

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for all that Ken has done during his years as Sacristan at St Brigid's parish. We wish to mark the occasion on **Dec 22nd** after the 10am Mass in the parish centre. We will present Ken with a token of appreciation and we will all get an opportunity to thank him personally and to wish him well for his future work in Ministry. On behalf of the parish, we wish Ken every blessing now and always.....**Fr Paul**

AWARE offer a free weekly group for people in the community who may be struggling with depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder & mood related conditions in Cabinteely. Details are on **Aware.ie website**. This group takes place in the **Ash Room, St Brigid's Pastoral Centre, Johnstown Road, Cabinteely, D18YP96. Time: Every Wednesday at 7pm**

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 info

The **Parish office/Shop** will be closed from 12.30pm Tues. Dec 24th to Thursday Jan 2nd 2025

