

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Only Faith

Jesus spoke in short sentences and summed up a lot of life in a few words. His final beatitude is in the gospel today - 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.' You can unpack that little phrase and in it you realise that faith is about things that cannot be proved, that it is not easy and that it brings a blessedness to life. It also includes ourselves - the ones of this year who still believe. Something is only by faith when everything else fades off. Our loved ones die and only faith assures us that they are 'alive with God'. Only faith assures us that Jesus is present in the mystery of the bread and wine at our Mass. Only faith assures us that he is with us when two or three gather and only faith assures us that what we do for others we do for him. Faith assures us of some of the best things of life; finally that we come

from God and go to God. Thomas found difficulty with all this. Jesus dealt gently with him, pointing out the wounds of his body and inviting him to touch them. But Thomas never needed to touch the holes in Jesus' hands and feet. He was told that an even better happiness was to believe without touch or sight. He found faith now in the risen Lord, and the faith itself was Jesus final gift to Thomas. We need to take time and let faith grow within us. This can be in prayer, in faith-conversation and in allowing ourselves sit quietly and be in the presence of God. In the busy world, this may be difficult, but no day is diminished by time spent in silence and in quiet, knowing we are richly blessed when we grow our

faith in God. Lord, I believe in your presence with me and within me. Strengthen my belief. Donal Neary S.J.

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 & 12.30pm 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 April 26th — 5.30pm

Leah Kennedy—Anniversary Martin Prenter—16th Anniversary

Sunday April 27th — 10am

George & Gabrielle Moore—Anniversary James Dolan—Anniversary Pauline O'Dea—Birthday Remembrance James, John, Isabella & deceased members of the Dilworth family

Sunday April 27th — 12.30pm

Marie Therese [Terry] Hurley– 7th Anv. Conor Heffernan— Recently Deceased Malachy Ryan—Recently Deceased Fergus Morton –10th Anniversary & his Son Richard—Anniversary Carrie Mulville– 3rd Anniversary

Monday - 10am Conor Heffernan— Recently Deceased

Tues—10am Anne Clery—Recently Deceased

Thursday—10am Desmond Healy - Birthday Remembrance

> Friday—10am First Friday

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Easter Dues Envelopes

available at the back of the Church and can also be given online through our website cabineelyparish.ie. The Easter Dues goes to the common fund from which priests are paid an allowance

Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino.

This September join the MSC Missions as we walk the shaded lanes and valleys of the **Camino Frances** walking from Saria to Santiago in Spain. We will then visit Fatima for a short pilgrimage. Spiritual director Fr Tony Horgan MSC. For more details ring Valerie at 021 454 3988 or email valerie.buckley@mscmissions.ie

We extend our sympathy to the families of

Michael Murphy, Paul Gleeson, Mary Sinnott & Arthur Taylor whose funerals were held here recently. May they Rest in Peace



Days of Mourning and Hope

(In memory of Pope Francis R.I.P.) **Monday 28th April 2025 – 8.00pm** Monastery of St. Alphonsus – <u>www.rednuns.com</u> An hour of music, prayer and reflection incorporating the Diocesan Days of Mourning Resources in person or online. Led by the Monastery Community and the Dublin Diocesan Music Group

Volunteer cleaners needed

for the Church. If you can help please give your name in to the parish office.

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









"God is the light that illuminates the darkness, even if it does not dissolve it, and a spark of divine light is within each of us" **Pope Francis**

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

Minding the Mind: Public Lecture Series 2025

 St John of God Hospital, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin
7:30pm–9:00pm (each evening) Monday 28th April Mind Over Exams: Strategies for Staying Calm & Confident. Katie Crean, Senior Occupational Therapist. Admission is free, but registration is essential. In-person attendance is limited to 40 participants per evening, and each session will also available to stream live. To register, please visit:
https://www.eventbrite.com/o/st-john-of-god-hospital-

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SENIORLINE

Would you like someone to talk to? **SeniorLine** is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer callers to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. **Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm**.

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**

CONCERT AT ST ANDREW'S

A date for your diary. **Songs of Inspiration and Hope with Celine Byrne at St Andrew's, Westland Row.** Feel welcome to attend our celebration for the Jubilee Year of Hope. Free Event. **Sunday, May 11th, 6.30pm to 8pm.** See poster at back of church for more details