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25 Sunday A - 23/24 Sept 2017)

ACK-IN-THE-BOX GOD

As she sat in the doctor's waiting room Mabel was telling Gladys about how God had told her not to get the number 63 bus that morning but to wait for the 42. The 63 had in fact broken down and if she hadn't listened to what God had been telling her, she would have been late for her appointment. Meanwhile Tom was ensconced in his favourite chair at home, watching the TV news. More tragic pictures of innocent civilian victims of the war on terror, followed by harrowing images of the latest African famine. Yes, he believed in God, but he didn't expect God to do anything about it. After all God lived miles away and was more concerned with cosmic issues.

Mabel's God was constantly intervening, whereas Tom's was a distant God who had created the world but left us to get on with things.

We all have different images of God. For some of us God is like a grandparent, old and kindly. For others he's more of a wizard who challenges us to get to know more and more about him. Many people's idea of God is that of a mother: God gives us birth, nourishes us and then spends her time patching us up when we take the knocks that life gives us.

You have to admire the closeness of relationship that Mabel has with God, even if we may be a bit sceptical about his travel advice. And you can't help thinking that Tom is trying to avoid making God into some sort of Super-Fixit character with little concern for human free-will.

Whatever image of God we have, it's tempting to make him into a Jack-in-the-Box God: calling on him to act just as we think he ought to and whenever we need him, and then putting him away again until the next time he is required. Today's scriptures remind us that God is infinitely greater than we can ever imagine, and we cannot control or even predict how God will act. God tends not to behave in the way we would behave, for, as he says, his ways are not our ways and his thoughts are above ours.

This weekend is "Child safeguarding Sunday" there are copies of the Archbishop's letter available at the back of the church. There are also a number of Garda Vetting forms available at the back of the Church.

Weekend Intentions

Along with their families and friends the following people are especially remembered this weekend. This time of the year holds a special significance for all those who knew and who loved them.



6.30pm – Laurence Berry – 2nd Anniversary
 Fr Pearse Timoney - RIP

10.00am – Jimmy Bracken - Anniversary
 Willie Mooney – 1st Anniversary

12.30pm – David Timln – 6th Anniversary
 Bob Conan – 2nd Anniversary

11.15am (The Park) –

Recently Deceased: Robert(Bob)Loughman

Months Mind:

Anniversaries:

Workshop for Ministers of the Word

There will be a workshop for all our Ministers of the Word from the three parishes in our Pastoral Area. It will take place on Sat, 7th Oct from 10.30 am – 12.30 pm in Foxrock Pastoral Centre.

If you would like to become a reader in our Parish and attend the course please leave your details in the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Workshop for Baptism Team

A workshop for members of our Baptism Team will take place in St Brigid's Pastoral Centre on Mon, 16th Oct at 7.30 pm.

If you would like to join our Baptism Team please leave your name and contact details in the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Faith Development Groups

Centering Prayer: Wednesday 7pm– 8pm – this group will meet in the Icon Chapel.

'Gospel Reflections': Thursday 10.30am. this group meet in the 'Icon Chapel' every Thursday morning.

Gospel Contemplation: Fridays 11.00 am

There are **Confessions** every Saturday after 6.30pm Mass here in St. Brigid's, Cabinteely.



Parish Noticeboard.

Social Welfare Information

Please see notice at the back of church regarding dates for **Social Welfare information** during the month of September in Cabinteely, Foxrock & Johnstown parishes. This service **will not be available** from Monday 25th Sept – Wed 4th October inclusive.

Novice Bridge Club

Our **Novice Bridge Club** is up and running after the Summer break and takes place every Thursday from 7.30 pm - 10.00pm (for those playing bridge up to 5 years - assistance given if required). Partners not required. If you play come along and join us.

Rockford Manor Open Night

Thursday, 28th Sept from 7 -8.30pm
All prospective students and parents invited.

Book now for Mindfulness Classes

Starting Mon. 25th Sept./9.45am – 12.15 pm
8 classes plus 1 day of mindfulness.

Decrease anxiety, stress and pain

Increase self-compassion, confidence, and acceptance

Improve sleep, communications, relationships, health.

Contact Pamela Maria 083-8166800

St Brigid's Cross

We are now taking bookings for the next mini-cross for insertion into the patio area outside the church. Four bricks make up a cross – cost €125 per brick.

A great way to remember a special day/date, wedding, birth, baptism, family or a loved one. Contact the parish office for more information.

Interested in Spirituality?

Explore a new programme in spirituality in Lumen – Dominican Centre, Sion Hill Campus, Blackrock: two years part time, Thursday evenings and six Saturdays to start 28 September 2017. Exciting and inspiring. Open to all, no prior learning needed. Contact Anne Ryan, anneryanflanagan@gmail.com, 086 884 3652

St Patrick's Cathedral

A year at **SAINT PATRICK'S Friday** 29th September 2017 at 6.15pm. The Concert itself is free and will last approx. 40/45 mins, pre-booking is advisable as these free events are always popular. imusic@stpatrickscathedral.ie

Dance Therapy classes continues here in Parish Centre every Monday 18th Sept. - 23rd Oct. Simple movement reflecting & embracing mind, body & spirit. Contact: Leonie Gallagher on 087-9711989

ST. BRIGID'S PARISH VOLUNTEERS!

You've given of your time, talents and energy in serving this community...

We want to say
"thank you!"



Please join us for a celebration in your honor on

Sunday October 8th at 10am

St. Brigid's Parish Church, Cabinteely
for a celebration

'Mass of Thanksgiving'

Refreshments will be served immediately after in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

ALL WELCOME

Church of Guardian Angles Newtown Park Avenue, Blackrock

A Festival of Flowers & Art, Friday 13th & Sat 14th & Sunday 15th October.

Official Opening Fri 7-9, Sat 11am-6pm

Admission €10 with Festival Brochure Kids go free! Contact Parish Office: 2832988 or Lorraine O'Brien: 087-2726578

Set Dancing Classes

Set Dancing Classes will continue here in St Brigid's Parish Centre on Friday evenings at 7.30pm. 2 hours of set dancing + half -hour of steps and, if you play an instrument, join in our learner's session at break time.



€10 for two and a half hours, including set dancing, steps & session.

No experience needed, partner not required, no need to book, just turn up, it's really great fun – go on, give it a try.

Details online at <http://www.ceili.ie/fri/>

Is learning how to play golf on your 'to do' list?

Is it something you always wanted to try?

Now is your chance!

Golf Coaching for the total beginner will commence here in **St. Brigid's Parish Centre** on Monday 25th Sept. for an introductory 6 weeks course.

Time: 8 pm -9 pm

Cost: €75 pp. Max no: 12.

Equipment provided.

Course for Ladies & Gents.

Coaching by Mark Peat,

Play2LearnGolf.

Contact Parish Office to book your place.

