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RETURN TO SENDER

To understand the parable about the wedding invitations we have to look back to Jesus' time and then forward to our own day.

The parable, about guests who turned down the invitation and about people off the street being welcomed in their place, was an explosive and revolutionary piece of preaching. It angered the chief priests and elders because it was clearly intended to point out that if the Jews refused to believe in Jesus, then their invitation to the kingdom of heaven would be sent elsewhere.

When we come to our own day we can rush in and think that we know what it's all about. Surely we are the people called in off the street who are given that chance of salvation which some of the Jews rejected? Maybe. But don't we run the same risk of being invited and failing to turn up for the wedding ourselves? We could be the original guests! None of the invited guests refused the invitation because they couldn't be bothered. They each had a plausible excuse: the farm needed tending, a pressing business appointment clashed with the date, etc.

Our greatest danger is not that we will send the invitation back marked "Return to Sender", but that we will never quite get round to answering it. And as the card stands on our spiritual mantelpiece we will glance at it from time to time and keep telling ourselves that we really must do something about it. Perhaps doing something about it might be going to see that person we know is sick and would love a visit, or curbing our sharp tongue, or stopping being slack at work, or taking the family out for once, or saying those prayers we know we need to, or... Whatever it is, we are unlikely to give God a flat refusal. We are more likely to "mean" to get round to it.

And what about that poor guest who was invited and then thrown out for not having the right wedding clothes? The only garment we are required to put on for the wedding is conversion. To turn up to the feast with no intention of changing our ways will simply get us ejected. Conversion, yes, I "meant" to get round to that too.

Mass times in St. Brigid's Church
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - 10 am
Saturday (Vigil Mass) - 6.30 pm
Sunday - 10 am and 12.30 pm and
11.15 am Park Mass Centre (term-time)

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 – Sean Finn – 20th Anniversary

- Ted Murphy – 10th Anniversary

10.00am – Aideen Redmond – Months Mind

- Marie Lou Brennan – 5th Anniv

12.30pm – Carmel Raleigh – 2nd Anniversary

- Hilda Coen -1st Anniversary

11.15am (The Park) –

Recently Deceased:

Months Mind: Aideen Redmond

Anniversaries: John Coughlan (8th Anniv), Robert Fegan (35th Anniv), Ann Fegan (3rd Anniv), Paul Cantwell (1st Anniv)

Workshop for Baptism Team

A workshop for members of our Baptism Team will take place in St Brigid's Pastoral Centre this 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.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

"*The Way of Saint Ignatius*" is a five-day programme of audio meditations in the Ignatian tradition, with each day building on the previous one, giving the user the opportunity to go deeper into Ignatian spirituality. Listen on www.NewPilgrimPath.ie.

November Altar List of the Dead

The Parish is currently compiling the November Altar List of the Dead for next year. Mass is offered throughout the year on the First Friday of every month for those on the List. If you would like the name of your loved ones included there are special envelopes at the back of the Church for the list and offering.



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

Parish Noticeboard.



Social Welfare Information

Our Social Welfare Information Service takes place in St Brigid's Parish Centre every Tuesday -10.30 am-12.30 pm. Just drop in – no appointment needed.

St Brigid's Cross

The next mini cross is being engraved at present and should be in place in the patio outside the Church before the end of the month.

We are taking bookings for the next cross. 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.



Application forms from

St Brigid's Girls' School

for Junior Infants beginning September 2018 will be sent out to all on the list in the middle of October. If you have a daughter due to start school next September contact the school to ensure her name is on the list. If any of your neighbours/friends have a child due to start school next Sept please remind them to check with the school that their child's name is on the list.

Are you a registered charity that uses food or provides food to people in need in the community?

Are you interested in collecting good surplus food (bakery, meat and chilled produce) from your local retailer?

Get in touch with the FoodCloud support team on 01 5313478 or by emailing charities@foodcloud.ie

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/>

Thank you to all who attended our recent **Hospice Coffee Morning**.

€410 was donated and forwarded to the Hospice on your behalf.

A **huge thanks** to all who participated in our **Volunteers Thanksgiving Mass**, Sunday, October 8th. The attendance and practical support from so many in our community was sincerely appreciated. To those who were unable to join us, we look forward to future events.

The Parish Pastoral Council

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday.

The Holy Father invites all Catholics, worldwide, to contribute to this special collection. In offering our prayers, we join with Missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked, so please give what you can. Thank you.

Important Notice

Naomh Bhríde Music Group –led by Pat O'Connor - CEOL for GOAL Concert

takes place Sat, 21 Oct at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. Local musicians and guest singers will perform. A donation bucket will be in place. Tea and biscuits will be served. All welcome. Contact Pat on 087 289 6038 for more information.

Oil Painting Classes

Oil painting classes take place in the Parish Centre on Tuesday evenings from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm. There are a few vacancies – contact Derek on 086 3120000.



Sleep – How to Get Some.

Workshop in St John of God Hospital, Stillorgan on Monday, 6th November – 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm.

Booking <http://sleepworkshop-november.eventbrite.ie> / 01 2771472

Overseas Volunteers Required! Volunteer IT/HR Admins, Montessori/Primary/Secondary Teachers, Physios, Accountants, Social Workers...all required for funded placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas experience required, no upper age limit. Contact Viatores Christi +01-8689986 / email apply@viatoreschristi.com for more info.

Faith For Life Programme- an Adult Faith Course designed to help discover more energising and empowering ways to live out your faith. Four weekends – Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road. 21 & 22 Oct, 2&3 Dec, 20 & 21 Jan, 3& 4 Mar. Contact riavelle@abhouse.org or 8373732, ext. 247.