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**MISSED THE BOAT?**

The weather forecast was bad, but no one expected what happened next. When the floods hit the cities and towns the waters began to rise like never before and soon many of the buildings were submerged under a thick muddy slime that swept away all in its path. St Thomas' parish church was no exception and in a brief space of time the water reached the roof.

It was then that someone noticed Canon Blimp who had climbed onto the outside of the St Thomas' and was now sitting on the roof with the water level at his feet. The emergency services were quickly at the church and they offered to rescue him in their boat. But Canon Blimp told them not to worry. He had complete faith in God and God would save him.

The rescuers went off to try and save others. On their way back they noticed the water was now at his waist and they offered again to get him into the boat, but he said it was important that people should see his faith and how God would save him. Finally, as night fell, they passed him again with water up to his neck but he declined their offer once more.

During the night Canon Blimp drowned and went to heaven. At the gates of heaven he was creating a bit of a stir about how God had let him down in front of all his parishioners. So St Peter went off and informed God about this unhappy new visitor. God told St Peter, "I don't know what he's moaning about. Tell him, I sent the boat three times!"

God comes under some peculiar guises. And we look for him in Advent.

**New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week**

The voice of John the Baptist crying out in the wilderness and gathering great crowds invites us into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent. An 'Arts and Faith' video offers an imaginative Prayer exercise inspired by Pieter Brueghel the Younger's St John the Baptist Preaching. To access this and other inspiring online Advent resources, visit: [www.NewPilgrimPath.com](http://www.NewPilgrimPath.com).

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

**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** – 1. Paul Lynch – 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
 2. John & Mary Gibbons - Anniv

**10.00am** – 1. Gerard Corrigan – Anniversary  
 2. Anne Merry – 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**12.30pm** – 1. Tom Feeney – Anniversary  
 2. Paddy Byrne – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**11.15am** – 1. Eileen Kenny – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**The Park** 2. Maggie & Jack Donohoe - Anniv

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**Recently Deceased:** Gerry O'Mahony

**Months Mind:** Geraldine Kennedy

**Anniversaries:** Christopher O'Rourke, Maureen & David Salmon, Desmond McDonald (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv), Nicholas Lynch (25<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018**

God, our Father,  
 We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,  
 One family, in the Spirit of your love.  
 Bless us with the joy of love.  
 Make us patient and kind,  
 gentle and generous,  
 welcoming to those in need.  
 Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.  
 Protect all families with your loving care,  
 Especially those for whom we now pray:  
 [We pause and remember family members and others by name].  
 Increase our faith,  
 Strengthen our hope,  
 Keep us safe in your love,  
 Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.  
 This we ask, through Christ our Lord,  
 Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.  
 Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.  
 Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.  
 Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us

## Parish Noticeboard.

### Christmas Mass Times Christmas Vigil Masses – 24 December 2017

5 pm – St Brigid's Parish Church,  
Cabinteely – Family Mass  
6.30 pm – St Brigid's Park Mass Centre,  
Cabinteely – Family Mass  
8.00 pm – St Brigid's Parish Church –  
Carols from 7.30 pm

### Christmas Day 25 December 2017

10 am – St Brigid's Parish Church  
12.30 pm – St Brigid's Parish Church

### St Stephens Day

11.00 am - St. Brigid's Parish Church

**Please note** – There will be **NO 11.15 am Mass** in the Park Centre on Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> or Jan 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Reconciliation Services

Johnstown Church -Wed, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - 7.30pm  
**St Brigid's Parish Church, Cabinteely -  
Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> December - 7.30 pm**  
Foxrock Church Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 7.30 pm

### Dublin to host World Meeting of Families 2018 (August 21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> 2018)

In August next year, visitors from over 70 countries will come to Dublin to celebrate the World Meeting of Families 2018. This is a huge international event which includes a three-day Congress of workshops, exhibitions, music and prayer and a concert – style Festival of Families which will take place on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. We are all praying that that Pope Francis will be available to celebrate the final mass on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> and he has already spoken about his wish to do so.

For bookings and more information, please visit [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie) or contact our parish representatives Anne Corcoran and Susannah Healy through the parish office.

### 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.**

### Christmas Mass Remembrance List

Would you like to include a deceased loved one's name, to be called out at whichever Mass you are attending, on Christmas Eve/Day? If so, please give their name/s into the Parish Office to be included on the Remembrance List.

### St Brigid's Cross

We are taking bookings for the next cross in the patio 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.



### St Brigid's Parish Office

Christmas stock of  
Divine Word Cards

along with a **large selection of gifts** are now available for sale in the Parish Office, Monday to Friday  
9 am to 5 pm.

### Divine Word Cards

**€6 per pack of 12** or **three packs for €15.**  
Large selection of cards for all occasions also available.

### St Brigid's Parish Christmas Raffle.

Tickets for fundraising raffle now on sale in the parish office – **Tickets €2 or 3 tickets for €5.**

**1<sup>st</sup> prize** – musical snowing Christmas tree.

**2<sup>nd</sup> prize** – cuddly teddy and bottle of wine.

See 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the parish office – amazing.  
Draw takes place at 12 noon on Fri, 22 Dec.



### Unlocking the Mysteries of The Book of Revelation.

If you would like "a taste" of this important book of Revelation, join us in a friendly group, for an Introduction: over 4 sessions – at St. Brigid's Parish Centre -starting Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30am to 12:30pm.

Charlotte & Adam (Uzi) Lotan are Bible Teachers from Gorey who run **Beit Hallel Study Centre – "Tig na Moladh – House of Praise"** and will be facilitating this – for further information please see posters at back of church and in the parish centre.

Limited spaces available so please contact the Sacristy or phone the Parish Office on 285 8835

### Give the Gift of Well-Being for 2018. MINDFULNESS COURSE

(8 Weeks + 1 Day Retreat)

Starting 29th January – Cabinteely Parish Centre Offering the gift of Wellness for Mind, Body, Heart.

Perfect gift idea for the busy person who wants to find peace and ease in their life 'That maybe You!'

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