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15 April - Third Sunday of Easter
SENSING FAITH

Christianity is not a religion of the head. If it were, then only the clever people could become holy while the rest of us would remain on the edges as we struggled to use our few wits to try and work out what our religion was all about. It would be a philosophy, a body of knowledge, accessible only to the intelligent.

No, Christianity is about the five senses. It's a body-religion, a sensing faith. It uses sight, sound, smell, touch and taste. In doing this it simply continues what Jesus himself did when he ate and drank, was bathed in the Jordan, laid hands on people, used paste to cure the blind man etc.

There is a slightly comic aspect to today's gospel when Jesus scares the wits out of the disciples and then simply asks, "Have you anything here to eat?" And this is just one of several times after the resurrection that Jesus appears to them and starts eating. Maybe it's no coincidence that St Luke is trying to teach us that the primary way we meet Christ today after his resurrection is when we eat and drink his body and blood. The eucharist is the action of the Church in which Christ becomes present in many ways but most clearly in the act of communion.

And, of course, we recall his presence by using all five of our senses. That's why the Church uses water to baptise, why we make the Sign of the Cross with it, why we sprinkle it during some services. It's why we lay hands on the sick, why we make music to God, why we anoint people with oil when they are baptised, confirmed, ordained or weakened by sickness. It explains why some people use incense to beautify their worship and others put out a mass of blazing candles and wear colourful vestments. It is all about worshipping God with our whole person, body as well as mind, about recognising Christ with all the faculties that God has given us.

It goes without saying that our five senses do not exist apart from us, on some shelf where we take them down. They are part and parcel of us. It's people who incarnate sight, sound, smell, touch and taste. That's why the best way of ensuring that Christ is present in our world is to carry him around in ourselves. This must be what Jesus meant today when he said, "You are witnesses to this."

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.



6.30 pm Vigil – 1. Laura Walsh – 3rd Anniv

10.00am – 1. Oisín & Darragh Brocklebank

12.30pm – 1. Joe Lynott – 10th Anniversary
2. Fergus Morton - Anniversary

11.15 am Park – Frank Murray – Rec Decd

Recently Deceased:, Marie Gavigan

Months Mind:

Anniversaries: Mary Hickey

**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

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



Parish Noticeboard.

SHARE Appeal Sunday

Today the Annual Share Appeal Sunday takes place and all are thanked for your support and contributions over the past years. There are copies of the SHARE Newsletter at the back of the Church for anyone who wishes to take one home.



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.**

Novice Bridge Club

Our Novice Bridge Club will take place every Thursday evening from 7.30 pm - 10.00pm (for those playing bridge up to 5 years - assistance given if required). Partners not required.



New members very welcome

New Pilgrim Path

In the Spiritual Exercises, St Ignatius gives us the idea of meeting sacred scripture with one's own life, mediated through Imaginative Contemplation. 'Praying with Art' offers a series of reflections in tandem with pieces of art. Each month a painting is offered in the hope that it will enable you to reflect more deeply on a particular passage of scripture. Access this, and other rich online spiritual resources, on www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Are you a good listener?

Senior Help Line are looking for men and women aged 55+ to train as phone line volunteers. See notice at back of church for more information or call Anne on 087 7450721.

The Poor Clares in Galway

are hosting a cloister day on Sat, April 21st from 10 am to 5 pm. The day is designed to help young women between the ages of 21 and 40 to find out more about the Poor Clare way of life with a view to vocation discernment. To book a place contact Sr Faustina at poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com

8th Amendment Update: Foxrock Parish will host "**The Case for the 8th**" on 1 May 2018 in Foxrock Pastoral Centre at 8.00 pm. The speakers will be Irish Times Journalist Breda O' Brien and Journalist John Waters. Admission by ticket only. Admission will be free. Tickets will be available next week. Contact Foxrock for tickets.

St. Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

18th Parish Golf Classic

Thursday 17th May 2018

Old Conna Golf Club

Format: Rumble – 4 person teams
– any combination.

**Special Prizes – Ladies and Men
Nearest the Pin / Longest Drive**

Entry Fee, incl golf and meal –
€300 per team or €75 per person.
Sponsorship of Hole €100

Meal served in Parish Centre -8pm

Prize-giving at 9.30 pm

Some of the Superb team prizes –
Glasson GC – 4 ball + B&B
Ballykisteon GC – 4 ball + B&B
Trump International Doonbeg – 4 ball
Plus lots more.

**Special €10,000 prize for
Hole-in-One - entry fee of €5
before round commences.**

Contact Parish Office 285 8835 to
book your t-time (t-times from 12
noon to 3.30 pm) few spaces left!

World Youth Day Panama – January 2019

Pope Francis has announced that the next World Youth Day will take place in Panama next January 22-27. It is hoped that young people aged 16-29 from the Archdiocese will travel. To find out more or if you have a query you can contact the Office for Evangelisation & Ecumenism via email - evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie

Mater Dei Institute have moved to DCU All Hallows Campus, Drumcondra the new home of programmes in theology, philosophy and ethics. You are invited to an Open House Evening on Thurs, 26th April from 6 – 9 pm with a series of short taster lectures and updates. mary.hayes@dcu.ie for more info.

**2018 Archdiocese of Dublin Annual
Knock Pilgrimage** – takes place next Sat
21st April. More information from
www.dublindiocese.ie/2018-diocesan-pilgrimage-to-knock

