



## St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



**February 16th 2020— 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word "commitment" mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus' teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain & even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else's decision. But we can't be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life's journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking



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### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 16th Feb 2020

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat 15th Feb 2020**

**6.30 pm Vigil.**

Gerard Comiskey – 3rd Anniversary  
Maura Freeney – Anniversary

**Sun 16th Feb 2020**

**10.00 am—**

Moira Flavin – 1st Anniversary  
Bernadette De Burca – Months Mind

**12.30pm -**

**Recently Deceased—**

**Months Mind—** Bernadette De Burca

**Anniversaries: -**

**Mon—10am -**

**Tues 10 AM—** Moira Flavin - 1st Anniversary

**Thurs 10am —**

**Friday 10am—**

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### Church Renovation Update

We are continuing to raise funds to address the urgent repairs to the Church. Thank you to all those who have made a donation or who have signed up for direct debit donations. So far we have raised €107,000. In order to address the most urgent needs, we need to continue to raise more funds before we can begin.

Fr Aquinas

Vacancy: Cabinteely Parish Secretary / Parish Centre Manager

You can find details for this Job on the Parish website at [www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie)

### The Parish Centre

There are rooms available for rent ranging in size from 15 to 100 people.

Do you have an idea for a course, a class, a one off event for 2020? Are you looking for a venue??? Give Marian/Ann a call on 01 2858835 to arrange to view our facilities.

The **Coffee Dock** is open weekdays from 10am and is open Sunday Morning after 10am Mass. A warm welcome guaranteed.

### Parish Prayer/Reflection Groups

**Tues:** Divine Mercy Devotions after the 10 AM Mass

**Wed.** Centering Prayer 7pm-8pm

**Fri:** Gospel Contemplation 11am-12pm  
The Rosary is recited before the 10 AM mass on Monday, Tuesday, Thurs & Fri at 9.40 AM.

### Retirement

Marian Monahan will be retiring in March.

We are grateful to her for her dedicated service to the Parish for the last seven years. We wish her every blessing and happiness in her retirement.

### Lenten Talks Series, 2020- St. Brigid's Parish Pastoral Centre,

**Mon 2nd March 8.00pm – 9.30pm**

#### **ACTIVE HOPE'**

**Speaker : Dr. Lorna Gold** author, commentator, and well known media and public speaker. Lorna has worked with Trocaire for 20 years in areas of policy, advocacy and research.

*Do we really believe Pope Francis's writings in Laudato Si - Care for our Common Home' have a relevance for us? In the face of challenges brought by climate change and the ecological crises, how can we bring hope? Lorna will offer a lively, fresh and credible approach to an important contemporary issue for people of all faiths and none.*

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March: 8pm -9.30pm**

#### **Refugees and Migrants – What has this got to do with me?**

**Speaker: Fr. Alan Hilliard**, Dublin Diocesan Priest and Chaplain, DIT Grangegorman. Author of 'Dipping into Lent'. Fr Hilliard is informed and well acquainted with refugee and immigration issues.

*We are delighted to welcome back Fr. Alan Hilliard for our Lenten Talks Series. His first hand experience will help enlighten, challenge and animate dialogue on an issue relevant for us all.*

**Both evenings will include a brief Q & A session, followed by tea, coffee and refreshments.**  
**ALL MOST WELCOME!**

### The Annual Collection of ACCORD Dublin:

The diocesan Agency for Marriage & the Family, will be taken up all masses this weekend **15th & 16th Feb.** The collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection. **ACCORD** offers marriage, preparation courses, counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships and a Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. ACCORD needs your support so please give generously if you can. For further info. contact Linda Chambers by email. : [LChambers@accordublin.ie](mailto:LChambers@accordublin.ie)

### Bethany Bereavement Drop-In

the last Friday of every month in St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre.

10.30am -11.30am

All Welcome

### NEWSFLASH !!

**St. Brigid's Parish**  
**New website is now live**  
**Find us at**  
**[www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie)**

### CabinTully Tour

COME AND LEARN ABOUT THE OLDCHURCH AND CELTIC CROSSES AT TULLY.  
FREE TOUR

(DONATIONS TO CABINTEELY TIDY TOWNS IF DESIRED)

DATE: SUN 1ST MARCH. at 11.00 a.m.

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