

# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



# Second Sunday of Lent - March 8th, 2020

Psychology has taught us a great deal about family dynamics and how we have come to be the person we find ourselves to be. We are comprised of such a mixed bag of blessings and obstacles with their graced moments and sinful ones. Think back on the journey of your life and how the many different and varied choices that you made influenced the direction your life. If you didn't go on that first date with your spouse, who would be beside you today? If you chose to be in one place rather than another, what would have happened to the course your life has taken? We are on such a wonderful, exciting journey. What is most incredible and awesome is that we are not alone! God is with us. He inspires, heals, opens doors, and calls us every moment of our lives. The very life we have is due only to Him.

We can all sit down and list adjectives describing who we are. One may find him or herself more artistic than another or quicker with wit. We have unique gifts and talents and have the great gift of free will, which we treasure. Our histories come with more baggage for some and less hurdles for others, but we all have to find our way through the path we are on. However, have you ever given much thought to who you really are? That question has more merit than may at first appear.

We know ourselves as we live out our earthly journey. But do we know our heavenly self? What we know here is only one small part of who God has made us to be. The disciples really thought they knew Jesus until they went up the mountain. We also may think we know our true selves, too. We know that in eternal life we shall not only see God, but become like Him. Who will you be?

What surprise do you think God has for you?



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# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 8th March 2020

# MASS INTENTIONS

Sat

7th March 2020

6.30 pm Vigil.

Chris Kane - Months Mind

Sun

8th March 2020

10.00 am

Dominick Lewis, Arthur Blake (Birthday)

12.30pm

Joseph & Nora Hurley - Anniversary, Mary Brophy – Months Mind

Recently Deceased—

Months Mind - Chris Kane

Anniversaries: -

Sheila O'Carroll – (1st Anniversary), Denis & Maeve Bree

Mon-10am -

Tues 10 AM—, Denis & Maeve Bree

Thurs 10am -

Friday 10am—

# **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 €134,000. In order to address the most urgent needs, we need to continue to raise more funds before we can begin.

Fr Aquinas

The Dublin Diocesan Annual pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sat. 25th April 2020 from 11am to 4:30pm. The day will include talks, personal time, Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, Pilgrimage Mass and picnic lunch (bring your packed lunch!). There will also be specific programmes for children &young people. Come and join others from throughout the Diocese for this pilgrimage of Hope, Healing and Reflection. For more information <a href="mailto:knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie">knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie</a>

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

# Monday 9th 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.

The evenings will include a brief Q & A session, followed by tea, coffee and refreshments.

ALL MOST WELCOME!

Due to unforeseen circumstances our first Lenten talk ACTIVE HOPE' by: Dr. Lorna Gold had to be cancelled at short notice. We sincerely aplogise for any inconvenience caused. Please try and join us for our final talk on Mar. 9th.

Accord Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family wish to thank you for your very generous donation of €1420 for their annual collection

Anam Cara South Dublin the organisation that supports bereaved parents, are holding a Parent Support Event on 9th March at 7:20pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown way, Tallaght. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Bethany Bereavement Drop-In , the last Friday of every month in St. Brigid's Pastoral Centre. 10.30-11.30 All Welcome

Prof John O'Callaghan, Professor of Philosophy, University of Notre Dame, to address us on the theme of When Mercy Became Compassionate. Monday 9th March at 7:30pm in the Loyola Institute (Room G16). All are welcome. [Free admission]

#### **NEWSFLASH!!**

St. Brigids Parish
New website is now live
Find us at
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.

#### Free course

Computers for over 55s
Starting March 2020 **5 Week course**Limited places For more information, please phone Carly 01-204 36 76
Adult Education Service, Loughlinstown ETB Training Centre, Loughlinstown Drive,
Co Dublin

We bid farewell to Mrs Aedeen Sweeney who retires as Principal of St Brigid's Girls School after 18 years of dedicated service. We wish her every happiness and good health in her retirement. We welcome the new Principal Elaine Carroll who is coming to us from St Fergal's School in Bray. We pray God's blessing upon her as she takes up her new post

#### AGE ACTION

We run computer classes for people over the age of 55. The classes are one to one - you are placed with your own volunteer tutor who will help to teach you the basic internet such as sending emails, booking flights, shopping online, Skype,

Google etc. **Tel**: 01 4756989 | **Email**: gettingstarted@ageaction.ie | **Website**: www.ageaction.ie

Beware of fraudulent emails and texts purporting to be from the parish or local clergy. Never disclose any personal/sensitive information in response to these emails.

We are delighted to provide our parishioners with a simple solution for all donations and offerings.

A donation option is now included on the parish website <a href="https://www.cabinteelyparish.ie">www.cabinteelyparish.ie</a>.

From here you can contribute to the Church Renovation Fund, parish family offering or automate your mass donations. A major advantage to the solution is that all donations will be recorded against the giver and this will enable us to avail of more tax relief. As the use of cash declines in society the church needs to embrace new technologies, and this is our first step to that end.