



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



5th Sunday of Lent- March 29th, 2020

Even though we say that we believe, there is a part of us that doesn't. There are many times in our lives when we experience death, whether it be the physical death of someone we love, a failed relationship, the loss of a job, or a broken dream. As we are going through these death experiences, we can easily find ourselves reaching out to God to make it better and fix it! We think that the proper order of life is to maintain the things of this world, especially those things that are essential to our sense of well-being and security. We do not like change. The grieving that comes from our death experiences can keep us stuck and in despair. If we have lost something or someone of great value, the very meaning and essence of life is lost with them. We need gentle companions to lift us from despair and that is precisely who God desires to be in our life as well.

God calls us out of our tombs, where we have been closed up in fear and despair, and shouts, "Come out!" He desperately wants to show us the path to hope and the new life that is possible after loss and death. But our faith can be weak, and we still prefer to cling to the memory of what we had rather than the joyful possibilities of tomorrow. We sometimes live as if God is not real and that the transformative power of His resurrected presence is a story found in the Bible rather than a narrative unfolding in our lives.

God is the God of surprises, not our demise. God opens new possibilities, begins new chapters, creates new verses, and brings us to new heights! We spend so much time and energy ruminating over what we left behind yesterday that we are far too tired to see what can unfold tomorrow. Loving someone new doesn't negate our past loves. Embracing the love of a person, God, or life itself tomorrow doesn't diminish the love of yesterday. Each of our loves is different, and one cannot be replaced by another. They don't cancel each other out. God truly has tended to every detail of our lives, and if we listen to each detail, we find that they all lead us back to Him. Jesus wants us to come out of our closed-up tombs. Are we going to listen this time?



SAVE CABINTEELY CHURCH

Estimated Cost: €500,000

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 29th March 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 28th March 2020
No Mass

Sun 29th March 2020
10.00 am only
Web broadcasted
(no congregation)

Please Pray For :

Dr Declan Irving (6th Anniversary)

Ella Kennedy (3rd Anniversary)

Eileen Kenny (3rd Anniversary)

Frank Murray (2nd Anniversary)

Recently Deceased: Molly Griffin,
Tadhg Kenny

Joan Davitt (13th Anniversary)

Lilly and Jack Flynn (Anniversary)

Mass (without a congregation) will be broadcast next week (subject to HSE Advice) from St Brigid's Church on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 10 AM.

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

The Parish Pastoral Centre is closed until further notice.

The Church will remain open for prayer

Pause For Prayer.

The Parish Pastoral Council are inviting people to pause for prayer at **12 Noon** each day to pray for healing, hope and inspiration during these difficult and challenging times. Together our prayer can be powerful for the Lord is in our midst.

Mass broadcast.

During the current Public Health Emergency, Mass is broadcasted each Sunday from Cabinteely Church at 10 AM. See www.cabinteelyparish.ie.

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Weekday Mass is also broadcasted from Foxrock Church at 10 AM See www.foxrockparish.ie

People can now donate online directly to the First (Supports the Priests of the Diocese) and Second (Share which helps the developing parishes & the Diocesan Administration) Collections through the Donate Page at www.cabinteelyparish.ie

ALONE COVID-19 Helpline

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in Ireland. Professional staff will be available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line will be open Mon to Fri, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024, and hours may be extended to meet the demand.

SeniorLine.

has been the national, confidential listening service for older people, run by trained older volunteers since 1998. This peer-to-peer helpline for older people receives in excess of 10,000 calls per year.

The corona virus is a particular threat to older people and subsequently SeniorLine has put in place a number of protocols to support our many older callers from all over Ireland. Any caller, concerned about Covid 19, will receive the most up to date guidance as recommended by Government sources. Good health practice is reinforced at all times. This information is updated daily as the situation changes and is available to each of our volunteers at the phones.

SeniorLine is a FREEPHONE service and our older callers can call free between 10am and 10pm every day of the year on 1800804591 Website: www.thirdageireland.ie

A Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus

**Almighty and All-loving God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
we pray to you through Christ the Healer
for those who suffer from the Coronavirus
Covid-19
in Ireland and across the world.**

**We pray too for all who reach out to those
who mourn the loss
of each and every person who has died
as a result of contracting
the disease.**

**Give wisdom to policymakers,
skill to healthcare professionals and
researchers,
comfort to everyone in distress
and a sense of calm to us all in these days
of uncertainty and distress**

**This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ
our Lord
who showed compassion to the outcast,
acceptance to the rejected
and love to those to whom no love was shown.**

Amen.

**Archbishop Michael Jackson
Dublin & Glendalough**

Coronavirus COVID-19



Know the signs



High Temperature



Shortness of Breath



Breathing Difficulties



Cough



Wash



Cover



Avoid



Clean



Stop



Distance

For 8 out of 10 people, rest and over the counter medication can help you feel better.

Visit HSE.ie

For updated factual information and advice
Or call 1850 24 1850