



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



June 28th , 2020 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we were baptized, we were baptized into Christ's death. Take a moment to ponder these profound words. We were baptized into death. In every sense of the word, we are asked to die. This is not just about our final death but about daily deaths due to inconvenience, discomfort, pain, loss, or others' needs. This is an incredible epiphany given the way we very often approach our lives. We do everything to avoid death, let alone encounter it! Many avoid pain, discomfort, inconvenience, uneasiness, change, interference, and suffering of any kind. We put a lot of energy into finding the easiest and least inconvenient way through many things. Even holding the door open for a stranger or saying hello to someone in the store can be major undertakings.

We are called to die. One of the biggest wake-up calls we can have is realizing that life is not about us! There are millions of other people sharing life on this planet with whom I have a relationship. Does my life celebrate those relationships? The most distracting question we can ask is, "What do I want to do?" The more focused, faith-filled question is, "What do I need to do?" What I need to do may not be what I want to do. However, asking this question more frequently will teach us how to more purposefully and intentionally live so we can be a life giving vessel for others. When we learn to live more sacrificially, to put the needs of others before our own, and to not always seek our own self-interest, we become aware of what baptism into Christ's death is really all about. These are the roots of virtue & the seedbed for justice, tolerance, solidarity, love & peace.

Learning how to accept all the "small deaths" and sacrificial calls us to teaches us how to approach our final death. All deaths ask us to empty ourselves into something or someone else. Whether we empty ourselves into the heart and soul of another human being or empty ourselves into God at the moment of our final death, new life is always received and nurtured. A heart that exclusively seeks its own interest is a heart that is closed to love. A heart that pours itself out to others and is content with being emptied is a heart that has been touched by and open to mercy. It is a heart that overflows with joy.



SAVE CABINTEELY CHURCH

Estimated Cost: €500,000

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 28th June 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 27th June 2020
No Mass

Sun 28th June 2020

10.00 am only

Web broadcasted/ No Congregation

We remember on Sunday

Mahony Family & Smith Family

Bertie Higgins — 22nd Anniversary

Recently Deceased

Baby Paige Stanley,

Gerard Meagher,

Joseph McEvoy,

Jim Murphy

Birthday Remembrance

Tom Conlon

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Update in relation to the Re-opening of the Church



Let's Begin Together

We are all looking forward to gathering together again but in a safe way. Over the last number of weeks, we have been working hard to prepare our Church for the 'New Normal' so that we can open safely. We have been appealing also for volunteers for the many stewards and cleaning teams that will be required. Thank You to those who have responded but clearly we will need more as the Church has to be cleaned after every gathering.

We are not yet ready to open and so will have a phased re-opening over the next number of months. The First Public Mass (with a restriction of a total number within the Church of 50 people) will be on **Monday 6th July**. It is our hope to have the First Public Sunday Mass on the **12th July** at 10 AM. We are going to use next week to do some further training with our volunteers. Clearly these times can change depending on the public health advice and on the number of volunteers available at any one time.

We will be encouraging people, where they can, to come to the weekday day Masses rather than on Sunday. Due to the limit on numbers it will not always be possible to accommodate everyone.

We ask People to

- *Follow the directions of the Stewards;
- *Practice social distancing,
- *Sanitise hands on the way in and out;
- *Enter by front door and exit by side chapel door;
- *Wear a face covering in the Church where possible;
- *Holy Communion will be distributed after Mass as you are leaving the Church;
- *No congregational singing,
- *Provision of Tea afterwards is suspended for now
- *Use of the Bathroom is by request;
- *If you not feeling well please do not come to the Church;
- *If you have any underlying medical conditions you may wish to continue watching Mass via our web cam.

We are on this journey together so let's begin together slowly and carefully.

Fr Aquinas

Mass broadcast.

During the current Public Health Emergency, Mass is broadcast from St Brigid's Church on Mondays to Fridays at 10 AM and on Sundays at 10 AM at

www.cabinteelyparish.ie

Foxrock Church also broadcast Mass Monday to Saturday at 10 AM and on Sundays at 11.30 AM. See www.foxrockparish.ie

Our neighbouring Parish Johnstown-Killiney now have a live web camera for the broadcast of their services. See http://www.churchservices.tv/johnstownourlady

St Brigid's Church is now open for Private Prayer Monday to Friday from 10.30 to 12.30.

There will be a section at the back of the Church where people can pray. We ask that people use the Hand Sanitisers and exercise Social Distancing with numbers limited at any one time to ten. There are bottles of Blessed Easter Water available. The Safe may also be used for the return of any offerings.

If you would like a loved one remembered at the weekday or Sunday Masses, you can email Fr. Aquinas pp@cabinteelyparish.ie

Thank You for Your Generosity

I would like to thank those who have contributed in these difficult times to the Easter Dues. The Easter Dues along with the First Collection on Sundays goes to the Common Fund from which an allowance is paid to priests. As there has not been a public Mass with a congregation since the middle of March and Churches are not due to open till after 20 July, the Common Fund is greatly depleted and in danger of complete collapse. People can still donate online to the First Collection, Share and to the Easter Dues.

See the Donate Page on our web-site www.cabinteelyparish.ie

You can also put money or a cheque payable to St Brigid's Parish and put into the letter box of the Pastoral Centre (Up the steps at the front door) or post a cheque to St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely Dublin 18. All of us are in uncharted waters. We all look forward to the day when our Churches will be open again even if they will only be able to accommodate smaller numbers due to the requirement for physical distancing. But we are on this journey together and together and with God's help we will find a way forward

Fr Aquinas

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9 AM to 4 PM Monday to Friday.