



# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



**August 30<sup>th</sup> 2020 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Secular pursuits only bring a temporary amount of satisfaction and fulfilment. As much as we may think that achieving worldly success, economic security, personal well-being, and self-fulfilment are worthy goals to obtain, they all are dependent on external variables and can lead to emptiness. We are trained to be very pragmatic and productive. Unless we are able to check off all of the boxes or comply with specific measurable requirements, our value and worth becomes questionable. Corporations, educational institutions, systems, structures, and secular ideology rarely consider deeper, more spiritual, and human contributions a person can and needs to make.

To the secular mind, the wisdom and ideals of the Gospel are making less and less sense. Consider for a moment this question: "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" While Jesus is asking this very challenging question to people who are considering his message, many in our world are in a quite different place. Whether we realize it, many folks are asking a much different question. Why would you not want to gain the whole world and secure your life? If you look at where a lot of folks are investing their time, energy, and resources, it becomes obvious where current priorities rest.

Modern day comforts and possibilities are backing us out of our relationship with God. The fire burning in every human heart is trying to find its satisfaction in the things that humans have created and not God. Being altruistic and offering compassion for those most in need becomes a political responsibility or responsible gesture. We realize that our hearts need to be centred on something and someone who calls us out of ourselves, but we struggle and battle with naming the source of that call. God places the desire to seek, find, and love Him in the core of every soul. We are not abandoned and left to fend for ourselves. But we can easily get confused. We know that when we extend ourselves to another self-sacrificially, we are doing what is just and right. We know that we can work through suffering and loss and come out better and more whole on the other side. Our minds need to be renewed so that they can begin to understand that there is much more to who we are, and that faith plays a pivotal role in achieving our true and everlasting goals. It is when we see that it is only faith that can bring us to this heightened awareness of ourselves and God that it will begin to make sense. Then, we can put things in proper perspective and consider being a disciple.



**SAVE CABINTEELY CHURCH**

Estimated Cost: €500,000

Donate online at [www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie)

**YOUR DONATION URGENTLY REQUIRED**

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER August 30th 2020

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat 29th August 2020**  
No Vigil Mass

**Sun 30th August 2020**

**10am only** - Web Broadcast also

#### We remember on Sunday

Jack McCarthy—28th Anniversary.  
Michael Johnstone  
John F Byrne— 2nd Anniversary  
Mass of Thanksgiving

#### Recently Deceased

Right Reverend Monsignor Seamus Conway, Pastor Emeritus, Parish of the Assumption, Booterstown,  
Frank [Noel] McCoy  
Margaret Kearney

#### Anniversaries.

Paddy & Mona Byrne

#### Months Mind.

Tom Cushion

**Mon 10am** Anna Brown—Recently Deceased

**Tues 10am.** Dennis Cleary—Anniversary

**Thurs 10am** - Tom Wallace—Anniversary

**Fri 10am.** First Friday

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## Let's Begin Together

We reopened with the first Public Mass on Monday 6th July. We had a full complement with 50 people present. Throughout the rest of the week we had an average daily attendance of 28. On Sunday we can only accommodate 70 and with families in the one bench can take up to 100 (50 below and 50 above). There will be just one Sunday mass at **10 AM** for now. We are asking people, where possible, to attend at the weekday Mass rather than on Sunday.

We continue to appeal for volunteers for the role of stewards required for midweek and Sunday mass. Thank You to those who have already responded. If you would like to put your name forward just email the Parish Office [info@cabinteelyparish.ie](mailto:info@cabinteelyparish.ie) or phone 01-2858835.

We ask People to continue 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.

See a [Video Walk Through the Church](https://www.cabinteelyparish.ie) to familiarise yourself at [www.cabinteelyparish.ie](http://www.cabinteelyparish.ie)

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

*Fr Aquinas.*

### New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

The desert is a theme of central importance in Sacred Scripture as well as in monastic history and spirituality. It continues to be an image of purification and transformation, of fascination and of danger. Former Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams, has given six inspiring talks on modern Christian meditation and the desert tradition, drawing on the spiritual teaching of Benedictine monk, Dom John Main. Listen to "The Spirit in the Desert" at [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

If you would like a loved one remembered at the weekday or Sunday Masses, please call the parish office 01-2858835 or email [info@cabinteelyparish.ie](mailto:info@cabinteelyparish.ie).

### Confirmation Services 2020 (without Mass) (all in St Brigid's Church Cabinteely)

Saturday 12th Sept 10 AM St Brigid's Boys  
Saturday 12th Sept 12 Noon St Brigid's Boys

Saturday 19th Sept 10 AM St Brigid's Girls  
Saturday 19th Sept 12 Noon St Brigid's Girls

Saturday 26th Sept 10 AM St Brigid's Boy's  
Saturday 26th Sept 12 Noon St Brigid's Girls

### First Holy Communion Masses 2020 (All Masses at St Brigid's Church)

Saturday 3rd Oct: 10 AM Girls School Class (20)

12 Noon Girls School Class (20)

Saturday 10th Oct 10 AM Girls School Class (20)

12 Noon Girls School Class (14)

Saturday 17th Oct: 10 AM Boys School (20)

12 Noon Boys School [20]

Saturday 24th Oct 10am Boys School [16]

### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

**ALONE** manage 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). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

### Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you to those who continue to contribute to the First Collection (Common Fund which pays an allowance to priests) and the Second Collection (Share which supports developing parishes and the Diocesan Administration) in addition to the planned Giving which supports the running of the parish. There are permanent boxes in place for First and Second Collections. There is also a double envelope for the First and Second Collections. If you write your name and address on the envelope we can claim the tax back on it.

**Fr Aquinas**

Our Parish Shop is now open  
9 AM to 4 PM Monday to Friday.