



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



October 25th 2020- 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. We wrongly believe that God divides himself, placing himself in one place in preference to another. It doesn't work that way. Love of God and love of neighbour are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, and the one who is just, and the one who is unjust.

Our brains get in the way of truly contemplating the awesomeness of this truth. We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. But, with God there are no distinctions such as this. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions hold no power or have any weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We cannot be deaf to the world's pain. It is not about having, hoarding, accumulating, acquiring, securing, storing, protecting, owning, claiming, or any of the other human terms we use to distinguish mine from yours. We put so much power in these words and that power, even though we may not always realize it, can cause those words and the distinctions they carry to wound and hurt others. We have the whole order of things wrong, but we are so set on preserving this order that we are absolutely afraid to do it any other way. We go through hoops trying to convince ourselves why the perils of the person seeking a new place to call home are not our perils that we turn our back and justify closing our doors. It makes perfect sense to us. Yet, it makes no sense in terms of our faith. It doesn't square with any of the words found in Sacred Scripture or in any time-tested teaching of the church.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible that some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, globally, and even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.



SAVE CABINTEELY CHURCH

Estimated Cost: €500,000

Donate online at www.cabinteelyparish.ie

YOUR DONATION URGENTLY REQUIRED

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Oct 25th 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

Following the Government's recent announcement of **Level 5 restriction for all of Ireland, all Masses will be online until further notice.**

There will be **NO** public masses. The Church will be open for private prayer each day from **10.30am to 4pm—Mon to Fri**

We remember on Sunday 25th

Betty Ryan— 5th Anniversary
John Doyle— Anniversary
Marie-Louise Brennan—8th Anniversary
Bill Kavanagh – 14th Anniversary

Recently Deceased.

Anna Nally
Richard Morton
Peter Conan
Johnny Devitt
Winnie Walshe
Lynda Kennedy

Anniversaries

Christina Lynch—13th Anniversary
Deceased members of the Kirwan Family.
Pat Kissane—18th Anniversary

Birthday Remembrance

Cyril Smyth
Clare Grant

Mon 11am— Bank Holiday

Special Intention

Tues 10am. —

Thurs 10am - Rita Costello

Fri 10am. - Mae O'Connor

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Mass will continue to be broadcast online via our [parish webcam](#) and at www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely on Sundays at 10 AM and on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays at 10 AM.

Please note that there will be **NO** baptisms during this period and the maximum number of people who can attend a **wedding or funeral is 25**.

While we are all deeply disappointed, we have to work together to ensure the safety of all. *Fr Aquinas*

Light a Candle

Following delivery this week of **Alcohol Free hand sanitiser**, we can now safely re-instate our Candle Shrines.



Due to the Level 5 restrictions the **Parish shop** is closed until further notice.

The **Parish Office** can be contacted as usual on 01-2858835 or email info@cabinteelyparish.ie

Volunteer Drivers Irish Cancer Society
Irish Cancer Society is looking for volunteers to drive patients to and from their chemotherapy treatments. Drivers with a free weekday availability and who can commit to driving twice a month. Please email Gail at gflinter@irishcancer.ie or call 01 2310 566 for an application form. Due to the impact of the Coronavirus we are seeking drivers under the age of 70 years

If you would like a loved one remembered at the weekday or Sunday Masses, please call the parish office on 01-285 88 35 or email info@cabinteelyparish.ie.

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS

The special Mass to remember our loved ones who have died this past year will be held on **Thurs 12th Nov at 7.30pm in St Brigid's Church**. Due to the ongoing restrictions this mass will be **ONLINE** only and can be viewed at cabinteelyparish.ie or <https://www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely>. If you have a loved one who died in the past year that you would like remembered at this mass please contact the parish office with details. [2858835 or email Info@cabinteelyparish.ie] by **Nov 6th**.

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 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**.

Did you know you can donate to our parish through our parish website? Simply visit www.cabinteelyparish.ie & click on the **Donate** button.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

Many visitors to New Pilgrim Path ask about the significance of the breath-taking images of **Skellig Michael** on every page. Just 500 years or so after the death of Christ, the first monks arrived on this remote island, 12km from Ireland's south west coast, lying at the very edge of the then known world. The monastery that they established in this inhospitable environment remains one of the most remarkable testaments to human faith on earth. The ancient history of Skellig Michael, its sacredness as a place, its influence on Christianity, its status as a place of pilgrimage, and its breath-taking beauty are all explored through words and images on the featured website of the week at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you to those who continue to contribute to the 1st Collection (Common Fund which pays an allowance to priests) and the 2nd 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 1st & 2nd Collections. There is also a double envelope for the 1st & 2nd Collections.

If you put your name and address on the envelope we can claim the tax back on it.
Fr Aquinas

MAD (Make a Difference) SUNDAY 2020 - 25th October

During this Covid crisis we have been made more aware how connected we are and how much of what we do affects others. This year more than ever we are asking you to reach out, spread a bit of kindness and make a difference. Highlight the stories of the hero's in your community. There are so many doing fabulous works of kindness and compassion in our community that go unseen, un-noticed and sometimes un-thanked.

So this is an open invitation to everyone from anywhere, any age, any background, any religion. This beautifully simple initiative hopes to encourage all people make a conscious effort to do at least one simple thing to help another & share it on social media with the **#MADSunday** to help, support, inspire, give hope & encourage others! It can be as simple as saying thank you, sharing a positive message, tidying a park, sending a note of encouragement. Let's create and promote a culture of kindness. **For resources & ideas have a look at <http://www.clondalkinparish.com/?p=5153>** Just download, adapt, upload, share, upload or print out the ones you need or share/create your own!!