



# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



**April 25<sup>th</sup> 2021 - 4th Sunday of Easter**

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit determines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and self-focused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.

Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will colour their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures.

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER April 25th 2021

### MASS INTENTIONS

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

**There will be NO public masses.**

Mass will be broadcast online via our parish webcam and at  
[www.churchservices.tv/Cabinteely](http://www.churchservices.tv/Cabinteely)  
The Church is open for private prayer from 10.30am to 4pm—Mon to Fri

#### We remember on Sunday 25th

James Dolan – 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Marie Therese [Terri] Hurley – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
Leah Kennedy – 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Martin Prenter – 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Erik De Geus – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  
Special Intention  
Margaret & Michael Ryan— Anniversary

#### Recently Deceased.

Derek Brennan

#### Months Mind

Stephen McDonnell  
Joe McFeely

**Monday 10am.** Eileen Magee—  
Recently Deceased

**Tues 10am.** Dan Kelly—Recently  
Deceased

**Thurs 10am.** Valerie Ryan—Birthday  
remembrance

**Fri 10am.** Paul Day—Anniversary  
Peg Hayes—Anniversary

**PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS**

## St Vincent de Paul Appeal

We have all found this past year very challenging at times. However, since the St Vincent de Paul church gate collections have been suspended, we need to appeal once again for your kind support to enable us to bring hope and practical help to struggling families. Your generosity and kindness makes a world of difference and is sincerely appreciated.

Donations can be made as follows:  
by post to:

Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
Cabinteely Conference  
Parish Centre  
St. Brigid's Church  
Cabinteely. D18.

or online to the account below:

Account Name: St. Vincent de Paul, Saint Brigid's

Bank identifier Code: BOFIE2D  
IBAN: IE92BOFI90118317728620

**Thank you.**

## 4th Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, especially for our diocese. If you are considering such a vocation, speak to your local priest or Diocesan Vocations Director, or email the National Vocations Office: email: **info@vocations.ie**

## PENTECOST PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The parishes of Old Bawn and Bohernabreena will host a home based programme in preparation for Pentecost. It follows the daily inspirational thoughts from LIVING WORDS (<https://www.jesuit.ie/news/inspiration-and-guidance-for-faith-communities/>)

A weekly video clip is also available through [geraldine.massey@gmail.com](mailto:geraldine.massey@gmail.com)

The programme leads to a rich awareness of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

For more information  
**01 4510160/01 4141838.**

Archbishop Dermot Farrell has formed a "Task Force on a Church for the Dublin Archdiocese of Tomorrow" which he has established under the title, **Building Hope**. The terms of reference which he has given begin with an assessment of the needs of the people of the Archdiocese emerging from COVID-19. He expects its work to support parish communities to undertake a radical renewal, looking to the future with creativity. The Archbishop has asked the Task Force to present an interim report by the end of June and to conclude its work by the end of the summer.

## Overseas Volunteers Training Course September 2021 - Open to all!

Viatres Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC runs an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. This is open to all! Once completed, participants can be considered for volunteer roles through VC EU Aid Volunteers #EUAVI programmes. If you want to know more, click here or visit the News section of our website [www.vcvolunteers.ie](http://www.vcvolunteers.ie) or email [info@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:info@viatoreschristi.com)

## Accessing the Church Webcam

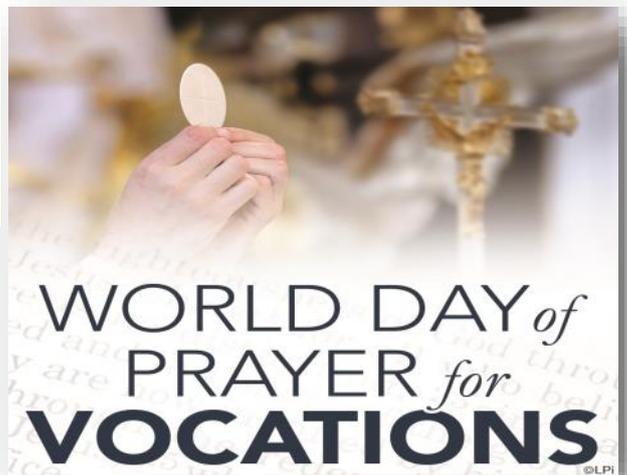
It is always best to access the Church webcam directly by going to [www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely](http://www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely) rather than via the website where a queue can develop and people get timed out when all accessing at 10 AM

## COVID-19 - Support Line for Older People.

**ALONE** manage a national support line & additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries & give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling [0818 222 024](tel:0818222024).

## New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: 3-Minute Retreat

The 3-Minute Retreat, an outreach of Ignatian spirituality, is a peaceful online prayer experience that helps the user re-connect with God and re-centre the day. Changing daily, the website and app provide a bite-sized retreat filled with Scripture passages, tranquil music, and questions to prompt reflection. Join the over 40,000 3-Minute Retreat users who return each day to enrich their spirituality and rest in God's loving presence. Access it here: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://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 & 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*