

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



May 23rd 2021- Pentecost Sunday

Begin by taking a moment to calm yourself, focus on your breathing and become aware of the life force that flows through your veins. Centre yourself in the words and affections of St. Augustine's Prayer to the Holy Spirit, "Breath in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy." Sanctifying, bringing things to wholeness, blessing, restoring and creating are just some of the fruits of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit is not always about proclaiming loud cries of praise or singing alleluia from a roof top. It is about unfolding and encountering the ordinary in an extraordinary way. Being filled with the Holy Spirit means being filled with the fullness of God's life and in touch with the power and wonder of God's presence. It's about becoming holy.

It is not just for saints or people who have a religious vocation. Holiness is for the ordinary, simple run- of-the-mill person who desires to love God, others, and all of creation. When an ordinary, humble person becomes connected with life and the wondrous power of God's love, they begin to live life more deeply, a bit more reverently, desire a simple fare and find themselves relishing in ordinary beauty. Their senses become attuned to the Author of life and they realize that they are not alone. The Holy Spirit connects all of the dots of human experience and existence, bringing everyone to centre on the Divine Presence. The Holy Spirit does not just breathe "on me" but "in me" and is the force behind every breath I take. Take a moment to soak that thought in. There is the Divine Presence of the Holy Spirit in me, right now. When a person becomes in touch with truth, they know that when inspired by the Holy Spirit, his or her actions are not solely their own. They realize that they are moved by Divine Grace and drawn to things not found in secular affairs.

We live in a world where it is hard to discover truth. Real truth is veiled by so many imposters that it is hard to find, especially for those who are young. It is easy to get fooled and duped and often, without full conscious awareness of doing so, we choose to walk down a path of self-absorption and destruction. It is only the Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the church most especially, who guides us to truth and shows us the way to be the graced and holy human beings God made us to be. The wonders and inspirations of today's Feast of Pentecost are necessary to share with both those we love and those who only casually cross our paths. The first disciples, touched by the Holy Spirit, brought the Gospel to the ends of the earth one step at a time. Is it unrealistic to ask that we assist in that same mission by helping people understand who they are and who God is one at a time? Ask the Holy Spirit to alleviate the fear in your heart that prevents you from doing so.

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MASS INTENTIONS

St. Brigid's is open daily for Public Mass. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday at 10am All masses are also broadcast online via our parish webcam and at www.churchservices.tv/Cabinteely

We remember on Sunday 23rd Sean Daly – 19th Anniversary Teresa & Robert Newman Jack Tiernan – 10th Anniversary Eleanor Cullen - 20th Anniversary

Recently Deceased

John Mulvey Ian Lewis Isabelle Kerr Mary Paula Walshe Derek Brennan

Anniversaries

Barbara Holmes—1st Seamus Kennedy—2nd Carl Daniel Monaghan Barry Henry—2nd

Mon 10am — Renee Fox—22nd Anniversary

Tues 10am. Donnchadh O'Connor— 1st Anniversary Special Intention

Thurs 10am— Breda McGinnity— Birthday Remembrance

Fri 10am. - Connie Lonergan-Recently Deceased

Welcome Back

Public Mass resumes from May 10th 2021. **Weekdays** Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at 10am No mass on Wednesday

Weekends Sunday: 10.00am All masses available online www.churchservices.tv/ cabinteely

Please Note: Numbers are limited to allow for social distancing



New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: Dietrich Bonhoeffer on 'Cheap grace versus costly grace'

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the German Lutheran pastor who was executed by the Nazis for resisting Hitler's totalitarian regime, left a rich theological legacy. One of his books, *The Cost of Discipleship*, is considered a classic of Christian thought. In it, he distinguishes between "cheap grace" and "costly grace." "Cheap grace," he wrote, "is the grace we bestow on ourselves...grace without discipleship. Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again.... It is costly because it costs a man his life, and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life." To watch a short and beautiful visual distillation of this teaching, visit: <u>www.newpilgrimpath.ie</u>.

Accessing the Church Webcam

It is always best to access the Church webcam directly by going to 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

PRAY IN MAY WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH DUBLIN

Join the Young Church Dublin for Pray in May. We will meet every **Wednesday In May from 8-9pm** for fellowship and to pray the rosary together as a community. It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith. For more information, please email: kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie



THE WIND AND FIRE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT MUST CONTINUALLY BREAK DOWN THOSE BARRIERS THAT WE CONTINUE TO BUILD BETWEEN US; WE MUST CONTINUALLY PASS FROM BABEL TO PENTECOST. —— POPE BENEDICT XVI

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups https://www.aware.ie/support/ support-groups/ and all of our services on www.aware.ie

PARISHES OF SPRINGFIELD/ BROOKFIELD/JOBSTOWN -CELEBRATING PENTECOST

THE GIFT - Life in the Spirit Course starting on Wed. 26th of May and continuing for six Wednesdays on Zoom platform, please register saule.cameron@dublindiocese.ie

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.

TARSUS SCRIPTURE SCHOOL: PENTECOST 2021

- "Babel to Jerusalem & beyond: Acts 2:1-11" (Jessie Rogers)
- "There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13" (Kieran J. O'Mahony)
 - "Breathing new life: John 20:19-23" (Sean Goan) To explore and register, **click <u>here</u>**

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*