



# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



## June 20th 2021 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we look at our lives and world events, do we ever find ourselves wondering if God is sleeping? After all, maybe God's patient, unconditional love has run its course and He is finally fed up with humanity's reluctance to accept the truth about who we are. God really can't be that patient! All throughout human history, many have prayed to God for intervention or for particular needs. Because their prayers were not answered in the way they wanted or anticipated, they felt that God may have abandoned them. Were they right? It seems that we are continuing, at a rapid rate, down a path of destruction. Do you not care, God, that we may be perishing? When the boats of our lives are rocking and the seas tumultuous, we want to know that we have God's attention. Even more so, we want God's intervention.

Maybe the storms and the waves are necessary. If we listen, they can teach us valuable lessons. Without them, we would never learn that we have the strength to endure, understand the uselessness of fear and worry, or develop the ability to really trust. If God immediately rushed in and simply calmed things down before they got difficult, what good would that really be? We would miss opportunities to learn how to drink more deeply of life, treasure its complexity, irony, and beauty and fully engage ourselves in surrendering to the love of our Creator. It is easy to walk on the surface of life without immersing ourselves in its messiness. Life has to burn its way through us in order to bring us to a place of secure trust. It's unfortunate that some prefer a shallower journey.

That's the balancing act that comes with faith. It is not God's job to prevent us from encountering the torrential rains and winds of life. Many believe that if faith is done the right way, that God will provide for smooth sailing. That's not how it works. God permits us to ride out the difficult stuff knowing that the storm will eventually be calmed. Do we not have faith that God will do this? True faith trusts in the steadfastness of God's love when the seas are calm and when they are choppy. God's unconditional loving presence shines through all of it and endures forever. Knowing this allows us to put our boats out into uncharted waters without hesitation. Knowing that we prefer the comfort and safety of what we know to be still waters, how do we feel when Jesus says, "Let us cross to the other side"?

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER June 20th 2021

### MASS INTENTIONS

St. Brigid's is open daily for Public Mass

#### Weekdays

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at 10am

No mass on Wednesday

Bank Holidays at 11am

#### Weekends

**Sunday: 10.00am only**

All masses available online

[www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely](http://www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely)

Numbers are limited to allow for  
social distancing

#### We remember on Sunday 20th

Derek Lambert – 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Des Ryan – 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

#### Recently Deceased

Noreen Lehane

Seamus Healy

Stephen Hunter

Tom Fennessy

Ellen Higgins

#### Anniversaries

Christopher & Elizabeth Donlon

#### Mon 10am

Ellen Higgins—Recently Deceased

#### Tues 10am—

Patrick O'Carroll—Anniversary

Dick Quinn- Anniversary.

Kate Healy—Anniversary

#### Thurs 10am—Special Intention

Fri 10am. - Mass of the Holy Souls

**PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS**

### Dear Parishioner,

The last year has been a very strange one and much of what we have taken for granted in the past, has changed. One of the areas where the impact of lower numbers and ongoing months of Church closures has had an effect is on the first collection which supports the priests of the Parish and the sick and retired priests of the Diocese.

We have been very grateful for your support both online and by putting your offerings in the letterboxes in the Church.

This, with your commitment to the Christmas and Easter Dues, has enabled the Common Fund to support the Priests here and in other Parishes. However the Common Fund, which is made up of the first collection, Christmas and Easter dues, is at an all time low and we need to build it up. We are introducing a 'Summer Dues' to help with this. It will be taken in the same way as the Christmas & Easter Dues and the Parish will benefit from the tax relief scheme on this contribution. We are very aware that everyone's situation has changed and we appreciate all your support. If you are able to support this new 'Summer Dues' we and the other priests in the Diocese would be very grateful.

We hope that you get to enjoy some holiday time over the summer and meet up with family and friends. We wish you every blessing and pray that things return to some sense of normality this year.

*Fr Aquinas Duffy*

### 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 info. about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

**DLR Sports Partnership** in partnership with **Purely Yoga** are delighted to offer a **4 week outdoor yoga** programme for the **over 55s**. These classes take place each **Thursday at 10.30am from the 1<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> July in Dun Laoghaire**. The classes are just **€10** for all 4 weeks and can be booked through the following link <https://outdoorयोगajuly2021.eventbrite.ie>

This class is designed to take people through a full body yoga routine from a seated or standing position. The exercises executed throughout this programme will help to improve strength, balance and energy levels. It's also an enjoyable way to improving your physical health and mental well-being. Once booked you will be emailed with all the information that you require to attend. Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

### ST PATRICKS COLLEGE MAYNOOTH - NEW RESEARCH ON THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON FUNERALS

Bereaved families, and those who support and care for them, have had to adjust to dramatically different circumstances during the COVID-19 pandemic. In this study, we want to explore the impact of public health measures, which were meant to limit virus transmission, on your experience of dealing with dying, death, & Catholic funerals. We invite you to participate in our study: by taking our survey and/or participating in an interview. Find out more at <https://maynoothcollege.ie/covid-19-and-funeral-rituals-and-practices-a-study>

Here is the link to our online survey: <https://maynoothcollege.ie/covid-19-and-funeral-rituals-and-practices-a-study>

### FAMILIES WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE

The 'Walking Together in Hope' initiative will be launched on **25th August 2021 at Saint Mary's Pro-Cathedral**. The Arch-diocese of Dublin will provide some simple and achievable ideas for families and parishes starting in Sept. 2021. We want to encourage families to take part in various initiatives to support faith lived in the home and celebrated together in our parishes. Our goal is to celebrate moments of hope and joy in family life, with resources suitable for learning, living and leading faith that are complementary to the way family is lived today.

### Supporting St. Brigid's Parish-

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The Easy Payments online donate button is below through which you can set up once off or monthly payments to all the collections. Also here are Print Version of Standing Order Forms

For First and Second Sunday Collections  
[standing-order-collections](#)

For Parish Planned Giving to support the Parish

[Standing Order FAMILY OFFERING](#)

For Church Renovation Fund

[Standing Order FUNDRAISING](#)



### Website of the Week: "Celebrate What's Right with the World!"

'Celebrate what's right with the world!' National Geographic photographer, Dewitt Jones, discovered a way of seeing that changed his life. 'The more that I went out and just celebrated the best in humanity, the more I could see it.' In a TED talk charged with energy, he shares - through his stories and unforgettable images - a personal journey that leaves the audience with an extraordinary lens of possibility and celebration with which to view the world as one of light and potential, 'a banquet laid, a cup overflowing'.

Discover this valuable resource at: [www.newpilgrimage.ie](http://www.newpilgrimage.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](tel:0818222024).

### 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

### 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*