



# St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



## September 19th, 2021- 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling.

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Sept 19th 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 & 11.30am**  
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 19th

##### 10am

The Archbold Family

##### 11.30am

Christy & Nancy Swords— Anniversary

#### Recently Deceased

*Sally Dawson*  
*Evelyn McArdle*  
*Stephen Clare*

**Mon 10am** - Special Intention &  
Get Well Mass

**Tues 10am**— Celine O'Carroll— 8th  
Anniversary

**Thurs 10am** - T.P Santhianoo

**Fri 10am** -  
Noreen Brien—Anniversary

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### GUIDED PILGRIMAGES ON THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH

A guided pilgrimage will be offered on Sunday 26th September and Sunday 3rd October, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option. **Advance booking is essential.** For further information email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)  
Lough Derg Pilgrim Path, Pettigo, Co Donegal.

### AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you wish to connect with people in relation to your mental well-being, 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>

**Bayside Alpha** are running a free 7-week Zoom course on prayer starting on Wednesday the 22nd of September at 7.30pm. The course is called 40 Days of Prayer and consists of a 60 minute weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for prayer and sharing and a different Scripture to reflect on at home on each of the 40 days. If you'd like to join please email Paul at [alphabay-side@gmail.com](mailto:alphabay-side@gmail.com).

### New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: St Francis of Assisi's Canticle of Creation

When St Francis composed the extraordinary Canticle of the Creatures (or Canticle of Brother Sun and Sister Moon), he was blind. Yet, he was able to see more clearly than ever with the inner eye of his mind. With unparalleled clarity he perceived the basic unity of all creation and his own place as a friar in the midst of God's creatures. His unqualified love of all creatures, great and small, had grown into unity in his own heart. He was a centre of communion with all creation. Celebrate this 3rd week of the Season of Creation by praying the words of Francis in an inspiring reading of the Canticle by a 21st century Italian Franciscan. Click here to access: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

The 'Walking Together in Hope' initiative was launched on 25th August 2021 at Saint Mary's Pro-Cathedral. To watch please click here

[Launch of Families Walking Together in Hope – YouTube](#)

Click for more details <https://cabinteelyparish.ie/families-walking-together-in-hope/>

### CROSSCARE ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese on **this weekend 18th and 19th September 2021**. It will replace the usual Share collection.

**FitLine** is Age & Opportunity's volunteer telephone support line designed to help those over the age of 50 who want to feel a bit fitter and healthier, but perhaps don't have the motivation, confidence or information on where or how to take that first step. The service is completely free. We're encouraging people to free phone **1800 303 545** and learn more. After you've made that first call, a FitLine mentor will arrange a time to ring you every two weeks until you're happy with your progress

### Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral Letter: The Cry of the Earth—The Cry of the Poor.

At this time every person on our planet is confronted with two interconnected crises: the coronavirus pandemic and the ecological crisis. Both define our age. Both require urgent action. But it is the reality of climate change that is 'humanity's defining challenge.' To respond to the climate crisis, and to mark the Season of Creation — Archbishop Farrell has published a pastoral letter, *The Cry of the Earth—The Cry of the Poor: the Climate Catastrophe—Creation's Urgent Call for Change*. This pastoral is an invitation to all people, those in the Church and those beyond—to reflect on the climate crisis in new ways, so that the baptised may live the life of faith more vibrantly, and everyone may respond more actively to the serious situation in which the world finds itself. The pastoral letter is available to read on the Diocesan website [www.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.dublindiocese.ie).

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

manage a national support line & supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries & give advice. The line is open 7 days, 8am- 8pm, by calling. **0818 222 024.**

### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

NEEDED FOR THE 11.30 SUNDAY MASS. PLEASE GIVE YOUR NAME TO THE PARISH OFFICE IF INTERESTED.

### 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](#)



### 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*