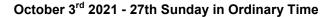


St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realise, however, is that love, its very presence and place in our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realise that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage.

God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, self-emptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honour to the love between husband and wife. As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children! The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated.

Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness. All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two.

The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity. Honour, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey

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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

Numbers are limited to allow for social distancing

We remember on Sunday 3rd

10am.

11.30am.

Orla Morton Byrne –12th Anniversary Patricia Carroll—19th Anniversary Jim & Anna Keegan—Anniversary

Months Mind Marianne Clarke

Recently Deceased Wayne Alba Billy McCarthy

Mon 10am Noel Gannon—Recently Deceased

Tues 10am— Mary Curry—18th Anniversary

Thurs 10am -June Daly—Anniversary Special Intention

Fri 10am -William & Peggy McNally—Anniversary

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We wish to express our sincere thanks to all who have contributed and continue to contribute so generously to support the renovation works for the church. Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to issue tenders for the renovation works.. The tender process will be completed in early October and we hope to be in a position to commence work shortly afterwards The church will be closed for a period to facilitate the renovation works. We will provide a detailed update once the tender process is completed. Joe McNeil—Chair of Finance Committee

" St. Vincent de Paul will hold their monthly church gate collection next Sun. 10th October.

St Vincent de Paul envelopes are available at the back of the church and donations can either be given to collectors on the day or handed into the parish office during the week. Your continued generosity enables us to bring hope to those who are struggling at this time and is very much appreciated

ADMISSIONS ST. BRIGID'S BOYS SCHOOL JUNIOR INFANTS SEPTEMBER 2022

Applications for Junior Infants (Sept. 2022) in St. Brigid's Boys' School, Mart Lane, Foxrock will open on 4th Oct.2021 and will close at 3p.m on 5th Nov. 2021. Application forms will be available on the school website <u>www.stbrigids.ie</u> from 8 a.m on 4th Oct.2021. All information in relation to the application process can be found on the school website under the **Admissions Tab**.

FAMILIES WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE

 Table Talk – Watch Fr Pat, Patricia and Gerard discuss resources during September for Families. View here

 Table Talk - August - Families Walking Together in Hope - YouTube

 For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,

 Blessing-of-School-Bags-2021.pdf

 Our Common Home (missionministry.ie)

 Mercy-Day-Service-of-Reconciliation-inspired-by-Misericordiae

 Vultus.docx.pdf (missionministry.ie)

Supporting St. Brigid's Parish-

Registered Charity Number (RCN) 20016166 and CHY 7424 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



Cabinteely Active Retirement Bridge will resume in the parish centre from Thurs Oct 7th 2021 2pm– 4.30pm.

Only fully vaccinated players can attend. COVID Certificates to be presented on arrival

Face masks on entry and exit and when moving around but not necessary at the table as screens are being used

Tables will be spaced out to ensure players are suitably distanced

Players must bring their own sanitiser and drinks,

Are you unemployed ? Are you interested in working in St. Brigid's Parish? **Aftemoon Receptionist** position available. See below for more details <u>https://jobsireland.ie/en-US/job-Details?</u> id=2193887

Fred will be back to sell newspapers outside all Sunday Masses from next Sun. Oct 10th.

Tap & Go



The new tap and go machine for the Sunday Collections is now in place. The amount donated is divided 60/40 for First (Common Fund for Priests) and Share (Developing Parishes and Diocesan Admin).

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: St Francis of Assisi

4th Oct is the feast of St Francis of Assisi. By any earthly standard, his life was a failure. He had to resign as the head of the Order he founded, as his followers rejected his teaching of absolute poverty. His peacekeeping efforts, when he travelled to the Holy Land & crossed the border to engage with talks with the Sultan of Egypt, failed. His deathbed was attended by only two or three friends. Yes, his legacy is incalculable and completely current. As we end the month-long Season of Creation, we celebrate the patron saint of ecology. An hourlong documentary based on Donald Spoto's acclaimed biography, St Francis of Assisi: Reluctant Saint, strips away the legends from the life of Francis of Assisi to reveal the true story of a man who has too often been obscured by pious iconography. Watch it at www.newpilgrimpath.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.

Our **Church cleaning team & Minister of the Word** teams are looking for new volunteers. Leave your name with the parish office if interested.

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*