



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



March 13th 2022—2nd Sunday of Lent.

There is so much wisdom in the first commandment. The daily demands of life, current political ideologies and dynamics, social expectations, corporate philosophies, and even technology can easily become lesser gods. We can find ourselves beholden to and held captive by these secular constructs and systems. Even for those who profess a faith in the one true God, these lesser, attractive but false gods are a temptation. Being overly preoccupied and even obsessed with the state of our present lives, we lose sight of our real destiny & purpose.

Jesus showed his disciples a glimpse of this destiny when he was transfigured before their eyes. In fact, Peter was so caught up in the brilliance, awe, and sacredness of these fleeting moments that he wanted to extend them as long as possible. Wonderful things happen when we leave our illusions and discover something that is true. This is why creating some sacred space in our lives for reflection, prayer, renewal, refreshment, centering ourselves, and disconnecting from the noise is so important. It shows us how false and shallow our lives can be and what is really of importance. Do you create some kind of sacred space in your life? Lent is a perfect time to do so.

St. Irenaeus, one of the early fathers & martyrs of the Catholic Church, said that, "he who was the Son of God became the Son of Man that man might become the son of God." We mistakenly believe that life is all about us. It's not. Ours is a journey of transformation in which we become more and more one with the mind of Christ and Christ himself. St. Augustine saw this same transformation occurring when the Eucharist is received. In receiving the Eucharist, we become what we eat, the Body of Christ. Honestly acknowledging false gods that we cling to can open the door for God to show us the wholeness and holiness to which we are called. Take time to discover the sacred. When we do, we will want to stay there for a while. Then, when we return to our personal affairs, we will see more clearly.

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WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER

March 13th 2022

**St Brigid's Cabinteely
will re-open on
March 17th 2022.
St Patricks Day.
Mass will be at 10am**

Thereafter
Weekday Masses
will be at **10am** Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays.

Weekend Mass times will be
Vigil Mass (Saturday) **5.30 PM**
Sundays: **10 AM and 12.30 PM**

A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,
We pray for the people of
Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them
and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and
wisdom to guide their choices.
We pray for the world that
in this moment of crisis, we may
reach out in solidarity to our
brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people
of Ukraine
and for all the world.
Amen

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Church Re-Opening Update

God willing, our first Public Mass in the newly Renovated-Repaired Church will be at **10 AM on St Patrick's Day March 17th**

Thereafter weekday Masses will be at 10 AM on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays.

At the weekend, Mass times will be

Vigil Mass (Saturday) **5.30 PM**

Sundays: **10 AM and 12.30 PM**

We are as always looking for our volunteers to return and also for new volunteers to take up any of the many ministries in the Parish. Masses will continue to be broadcast live via our web cam.

Volunteers needed to operate **the coffee dock** on Sundays after the 10am Mass. Please give your name into the parish office, call 012858835 or email info@cabinteelyparish.ie if you can help.

Have your say - The Synodal Pathway Gathering

When you think of your experience of Church,

(i) what brings you joy?

(ii) what brings you sorrow?

(iii) what brings you hope? and

(iv) what brings fear or anxiety?

Let us know your thoughts .. Email info@cabinteelyparish.ie with your opinions on the 4 questions above.

LIVING WITH GRIEF COPING WITH ANNIVERSARIES AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

The North Dublin Bereavement Network are hosting a free online Bereavement Information evening on the **10th March 7:30 -8:30pm**. This event is for people bereaved through any circumstance – through illness or sudden death; and may have lost a partner, parent, child, friend, sibling, work colleague or relative. The event will provide information about grief and the range of bereavement supports available in the local area. This is a **free online** event but **booking is required**. For more information, please visit <https://hospicefoundation.ie/our-supports-services/bereavement-loss-hub/bereavement-support/bereavement-events/living-with-grief-event/>

OFFICE FOR MISSION & MINISTRY LENTEN INITIATIVE

The Office for Mission and Ministry are offering daily reflections for the Lenten Journey. With parishes holding their Synod gatherings during Lent, we will be focusing on themes around journeying, walking with, listening to each other and the Spirit. The reflections will be posted each morning on the Facebook page of the office for Mission and Ministry.

www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry

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>

St Brigid's conference of **St Vincent de Paul** are extremely grateful for your generous response to our Annual Appeal at Christmas.

Due to the recent necessary closure of our Parish Church, we have been unable to hold our monthly church gate collections for the past four months but we will resume collecting on **Sunday, the 20th March 2022**.

We would be so grateful for any help that you can afford to give, to help those who are in serious need of food and fuel assistance at this time. 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 envelopes can be handed into the Parish Centre during the week. Sincere thanks for your continued support..

"ALONE supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation. Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home? We are **seeking volunteers** to make Support & Befriending calls to older people. Please visit our website at www.alone.ie or call our National Support and Referral line on **0818 222 024** to find out more about volunteering

On Thursday of this week, **17th March**, we celebrate the feast of Ireland's patron, **St Patrick, the 'Apostle of Ireland'**. New Pilgrim Path features some beautiful resources – spiritual, poetic, visual and musical – to celebrate the Saint's great legacy. Access them here:: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

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