



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



May 15th 2022 - 5th Sunday of Easter

"It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God." Many folks really work very hard to circumvent difficult situations. We prefer the easier way around something, rather than risk inconvenience, hurt or prolonged suffering. It's no wonder euthanasia is rapidly becoming acceptable around the world. Through purely human eyes, there is no issue bypassing the inevitable, taking control and bringing things more swiftly to a place of peace. If this is the way God sees things, then why does Jesus make such a big deal helping us understand the experience of suffering and embrace it? God's wisdom clearly takes us in another direction.

Imagine if we were able to eradicate ALL hardship and suffering. Where would we be? As we look at our own journeys, many of our solid more growth producing life lessons have been born of suffering, disappointment, inconvenience, darkness, and despair. There is something sacred about all of these experiences as God uses them to create something new. Envisioning a life without hardship and suffering brings us to a vision where everything is flat-lined and dull. As much as hardship and suffering are difficult crosses to bear, not taking them up runs the risk of us becoming shallow, empty, and lifeless. Helen Keller remarks that, "a happy life consists not in the absence but in the mastery of hardships." What an incredibly wise insight! Many really successful people and saints were brought to their station in life because they suffered. Suffering teaches us about what's important and propels us to search the depths of our souls for resources and strength we never would have known before.

This is especially true when we love as Jesus asks us to love. Love, perhaps above any other experience, can cause us great hardship, pain, and suffering especially when it's authentic and unconditional. While it can thrust us into an incredible experience of God and life on one hand, it can bruise and wound us deeply on the other. Mastering the art of love is the secret to living life well, walking in the presence of God and investing in the joy of the Gospel. Love and suffering walk hand in hand. Compromising one will compromise the other. Maybe that's why Jesus spent so much time convincing us to accept both

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER May 15th 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekdays

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at **10am**

No mass on Wednesday.

Bank Holidays at **11am**

Weekends

Vigil Mass (Saturday) **5.30 PM**

Sunday: 10.00am & 12.30am

All masses available online

www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

Sat May 14th - Vigil 5.30

Sunday May 15th —10am

James Doyle—Anniversary

Gerry & Maureen Beegan

John Fitzpatrick— 8th Anniversary

Carl Monaghan—Anniversary

Sunday May 15th —12.30

Mary Heffernan—Months Mind

Sean Clare—35th Anniversary

Recently Deceased

Brian Doyle

Richard Holfeld

Mon 10am.

Eileen Duffy & John Duffy—
Anniversaries

Tues 10am.

Carl Monaghan—Anniversary

Thurs. 10am.

Fri 10am.

Barbara Holmes—2nd Anniversary

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Cabinteely Active Retirement Association [CARA]
Celebrating Renewal
Open Invitation to present and former members
to join the fun
Friday 20th May 11am—1pm.
Tea, Coffee, Nibbles, Music, Quiz, Prizes
Fun for all

Rosary Daily during month of May at 9pm at the Grotto in
the grounds of Foxrock church, Dublin D18 N2F7
(Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour)

SeniorLine Needs New Volunteers

We are Ireland's national line for older people and
we need new volunteers, women and men aged
55+. Full training is provided. All details from Anne
at 087-7450721. We would love to hear from you.

MATT TALBOT PILGRIMAGE

Do you or somebody you know suffer from an addiction?
Yes? Join us at the Shrine of Matt Talbot in Our Lady of
Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott Street, Dublin, on
Sunday 12th June at 2:00pm-4:30pm, where we will pray
for freedom from addiction through Jesus. This will be a
day when Ireland unites in prayer to rid our country from
the plague of addiction. For more information, visit
www.matttalbotprayersociety.com or contact vi-
ta@[matttalbotprayersociety.com](mailto:vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com) or (048) 71262894

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 & most importantly help
people who are in distress to know they are not alone in
their experience For more info. about the groups [https://](https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups)
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“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](tel:0818222024) to find out more about volunteering

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](#)



BUILDING HOPE—Next Steps

You are invited to come to a Parish Gathering on
Sat. 21st May at 3 PM in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

This gathering will provide an opportunity for
parishioners to reflect on our Parish and to review and
look at the partnerships with our neighbouring parishes.
If you are interested in attending please email or phone
the Parish Office 2858835 or info@cabinteelyparish.ie.

You will find an explanation of the Building Hope
Initiative at

<https://dublindiocese.ie/category/building-hope/>

Each Parish has also been given a Parish Profile which
contains statistics in relation to its Finances and
Numbers attending etc. The Cabinteely Parish Profile is
[Cabinteely – Building Hope](#)

Mass will be celebrated in Shanganagh Cemetery at
3.00pm on Sunday May 29th (With blessing of The
Graves).

LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION – MAY 14th & 15th

The Archdiocese of Dublin Lay Ministry Collection
takes place on May 14th & 15th. The Lay Ministry
Collection will support the development of a variety
of lay ministries, providing for more women and men
to work alongside the priests and deacons. Our hope
is that lay ministry will make a significant contribution
to pastoral life into the future.

Centering Prayer with Thomas Keating

“Silence is God's first language. Everything else is
a poor translation.” These are the words of the
American Trappist monk, Thomas Keating, who
died in 2017 at the age of 95. He developed a
method of silent prayer, which he called “centering
prayer”. The website of the global Contemplative
Outreach movement which he founded provides
many resources for the method and practice of this
kind of prayer, which Fr Keating saw as a
movement beyond conversation with Christ to
communion with Christ. Access this valuable
website and watch a marvellous interview with
Fr Keating at: www.newpilgrimagepath.ie.

**Congratulations to the Girls from St.
Brigid's Girls National School who made
their First Holy Communion on Saturday
May 14th**

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