

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

# January 15th 2023 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a kid, I remember the priest at Mass announcing, "The Lamb of God!" Frankly, it struck me as nonsense. I thought: Why in the world does God have a lamb? And where is this lamb?

John the Baptist sees Jesus coming toward him and announces, "Behold the lamb of God." His Jewish listeners knew what he meant. God's lamb is the thing that is sacrificed at the Jewish Passover and consumed by the participants. For almost a thousand years, lambs were ritually slaughtered and eaten in Jerusalem at Passover. The lamb meant sacrifice, freedom from sin, and communion with God. The Baptist is saying in effect, "This man will be ritually sacrificed and consumed so that God's people may be free from sin and united to God."

It's crucial to relate to Jesus as a friend, brother, teacher, and Lord of our lives. But we should also learn to interact with Him as our lamb of God. That means we intentionally place on him our sins, sadnesses, and hopes, and offer him to God. Then we consume him to make us free. This is what we do at every Mass. That's why he is the Lamb of God. ......Father John Muir



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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

# **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 Jan 14th-5.30pm

Jean Brennan-2nd Anniversary

## Sun Jan 15th 10am

Tony Naughton—2nd Anniversary Maureen Heffernan—50th Anniversary Billy Heffernan—30th Anniversary Brian Brennan—5th Anniversary William Doyle—Anniversary

## Sun .Jan 15th -12.30am

Dr. Brendan Colgan—2nd Anniversary Dermot Delahunty—9th Anniversary Brigid Perry—Anniversary

> Recently Deceased Liam Clifford Mary Cassidy

Mon 10am Declan Harnett—Recently Deceased

> Tues 10am Maureen & Billy Heffernan — Anniversaries

Thurs - 10am Jack & Nan Flavin—Anniversaries

Fri Jan—10am Sr. Bridie Rogers—Recently Deceased

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## **KNOCK PILGRIMAGE**

Date for your diary: Our 2023 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, which will be led by Archbishop Farrell, will take place on Saturday, April 29. Please email knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie if you have any queries.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from January 18 to 25. This year's theme is **Be-Longing**. For more see. https://ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-

of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2023

Lumen Dominican Centre brochure now available online at www. lumenop.ie. Please contact us if you want further details on 012882075, 0858727482 or info@lumenop.ie

## WHAT MY CHURCH MEANS TO ME

The Dominicans at St Saviour's Priory in Dublin have released a video in which they interview members of the congregation, asking them what their church and community mean to them. It can be found at <u>https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaXNTNBRwew/</u>.

[Bayside Alpha are running a free 7 week Zoom course **Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit.** The course starts on 1st Feb at 7.30pm & features Franciscan Friar, Fr Dave Pivonka, and other speakers. It consists of a one hour weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for sharing for anyone who wishes, and short Scriptures to reflect on at home. The full course is 14 episodes but we are just doing the first seven and we will do the second half at a later stage if people wish. The trailer for the course is at <u>https://youtu.be/ptWtlhcRC9E</u> . If you would like to take part please email Paul

at <u>alphabayside@gmail.com</u>

## Volunteers needed for the following Ministry teams

Ministers of the Eucharistic & Word, Sacristan Support, Cleaners for the church Hospitality -Teas/Coffee after Sunday's 10am mass. Full training on all roles will be provided. Please contact the parish office or leave your name in the Sacristy after mass.

# CE Employment Scheme. Are you eligible for

Community Employment ? We have vacancies for the following positions in St. Brigid's Parish, Cabinteely. Office Admin/Reception & Caretaker. Step 1. Please contact the Dept. Of Social protection to establish your eligibility. Step 2. Once the dept. confirms eligibility contact Melissa Tobin on 01-2822704 for more info on how to apply

# 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 Maintenance Fund



#### **Thomas Merton's Prayer**

James Finley lived as a monk at the cloistered Trappist monastery of the Abbey of Gethsemani in Kentucky, where the world-renowned monk and author, Thomas Merton, was his spiritual director. In a 12-minute talk, Dr Finley provides a

superb commentary on the following famous prayer by Thomas Merton: "My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone." Listen to the talk at <u>www.newpilgrimpath.ie</u>.

Have you ever dreamed of doing the Camino de Santiago. <u>Breakthrough Cancer Research</u> are taking on the Camino Ingles from the 15<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May '23. Enjoy this amazing adventure with our experienced guide and help us Make More Survivors. Please contact <u>Mary@breakcancer.ie</u> or phone <u>021 422 66 55</u> for more details.

"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 <u>www.alone.ie</u> or call our National Support and Referral line on <u>0818 222 024</u> to find out more about volunteering with **ALONE**."

Why not volunteer with a difference? Saint Joseph's Shankill is the largest home in Ireland solely dedicated to dementia care. Join our amazing team of volunteers to make moments matter for the people in our care. Due to the nature of our work you must have received a COVID vaccine and you will be required to wear a surgical mask while volunteering. To find out more contact Nicola: 2823000/087 1637363 <u>nicola.yau@sjog.ie</u>.

## 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 & information & most importantly help people who are in distress to know they are not alone in their experience For more info. https://www.aware.ie/support/

support-groups

## 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*