



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



February 12th 2023 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's often said that the Catholic Church lays heavy rules on her members, rules that can almost seem impossible. Mass every Sunday? No lying ever? Sexual purity all the time? I recently said to some non-Catholic friends that more than fifty adults were baptised at my parish at the Easter Vigil. One responded spontaneously with shock, "Why would anyone do that?" In other words, why would someone willingly place themselves in a system with such demanding and rigorous rules?

Of course, no one in the history of religions is more demanding and rigorous than Jesus himself. In the Sermon on the Mount, he says you have to be holier than pharisees or you're out. He says if you call someone a fool, you go to fiery Gehenna. He says you can't even look at a woman with lust or you're guilty of adultery (which was punishable by death). To top it all off, he says you can't even get divorced and re-married. Doesn't he know these are basically impossible demands? What world is he living in?

The new one, actually. He is the new world. Jesus' words aren't meant to condemn. They are meant to signal something new, a restored humanity. Jesus doesn't just give external laws; he gives us his Holy Spirit to internalise the law through love. He wants to fill us with his love. That's what the Church exists to do. Love demands extraordinary things. The "demands" of the Church only make sense because she is filled with Jesus' love. That wildly demanding love is why we are Catholic.

— Father John Muir

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely

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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 Feb 11th —5.30pm

Gerard Comiskey— 6th Anniversary

James & Anne O'Malley

Sun Feb 12th— 10am

Charlie & Nora O'Connell -Anniversary

Sun .Feb 12th —12.30am

Joseph Hackett — Months Mind

Kieran Dalton — 25th Anniversary

Peggy Lehane — Anniversary

Recently Deceased

Fr. Eddie Griffin

Mary Nolan

Fr Michael Geoffrey Nevin

Monday - 10am

Bea Burns — Recently Deceased

Tues - 10am

Declan Harnett — Recently Deceased

Thurs - 10am

Special Intention

Fri Jan—10am

Fr Jim & Fr Pat Stanley

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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 29th 2023**. Please email knock-pilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie if you have any queries.

Carmelites - Whitefriar Street

St Valentine

Tuesday, February 14th

Mass: 11.30 a.m & 3.00 p.m.

Celebrant & Preacher

*Fr Simon Nolan, O.Carm.,
Prior of Whitefriar Street*



The memorial of St Valentine is a special day here in Whitefriar Street Church. There will be special celebrations and we are delighted that so many people will be joining us in our celebrations.

Church will remain open until the beginning of our Tuesday Night Perpetual Novena at 8.00 p.m.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.

“St Brigid’s conference of St Vincent de Paul

will be holding their monthly Church Gate Collection after masses this weekend, **(the 11th/12th February)**. The local volunteers are very grateful for your generous support which is a lifeline for those in need of help. Donations can also be made online at SVP.ie or using envelopes available at the back of the church. If you find yourself needing our help, you can contact us on **01-8550022** please be assured of our complete confidentiality“

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



MERCY INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, BAGGOT ST.

Contemplative Practices Weekend: ‘Come away with me to a quiet place and rest for a while.’ Mark 6:31.

Take some time to reconnect with the silence within. This short retreat will explore a variety of contemplative practices - guided meditation; lectio divina; visio divina; centering prayer; contemplative walk - while also providing time and space for personal reflection.

Spiritual direction will be available. Fri. 31st Mar - Sunday 2nd April. Residential: 280 euro (Accommodation & all meals provided). Non-residential: 90e (Lunch provided).

RSVP: programmes@mercyinternational.ie.

Used Postage Stamps. Please drop your used stamps into the box in the Parish Centre & at the back of the church. These are sent to raise funds for **Bone Cancer Research**. Thank you to all who make the effort to contribute. See <https://www.facebook.com/groups/943082032840697> for more info

Sallynoggin/Glenageary Parish

Mass & Anointing of the Sick—Sun 19th Feb

We are pleased to welcome the priests and parishioners of surrounding Parishes to join us for Mass and Anointing of the Sick on Sunday 19th February at 2.30pm. Families and carers are asked to bring their elderly or housebound if possible. Refreshments will be provided in the Church after Mass.

The annual collection for **Accord Dublin** - Diocesan Agency for Marriage & the Family, will be made at all Masses on this weekend **Feb. 11th & 12th**. Accord Dublin throughout the diocese offers Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups; Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone; A Relationship and Sexuality, Programme for schools. Accord Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously on Feb 11th/12th.

Healthy Food Made Easy —Arthritis Ireland & DLR present a 6 week course where you will learn to cook healthy meals on a budget. Starts Feb 20th 2023 in the Scouts Den 52, Patrick St. Dun Laoghaire. Contact Mairead at arthritis.ireland.dlr@gmail.com

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