

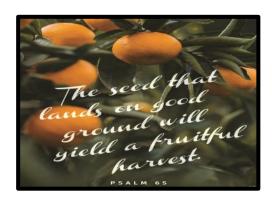
St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



July 16th 2023—15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a relationship, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed. — **Father John Muir**



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekdays

Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at 10am No mass on Wednesday. Monday Bank Holidays at 11am Weekends

Vigil Mass (Saturday) 5.30 PM Sunday: 10.00am & 12.30am All masses available online

Confessions available after the 5.30pm vigil mass in the side Chapel www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

Sat Vigil July 15th —5.30pm

Sunday July 16th — 10am

Theresa Doyle - Anniversary

Danny McGivern - Anniversary

Sun July 16th —12.30am

Fr Brendan Forde

Recently Deceased

Peter Lynch

Monday - 10am

Paul O'Leary—1st Anniversary

Tues - 10am

Special Intention

Thurs 10am

Fri 10am

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

The National Grandparents' Pilgrimage will take place in Knock on Sunday July 23rd. All are welcome for this wonderful celebration of family and faith through the generations. The principal celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin and chair of the Bishops' Council for Marriage and the Family. Music will be by the combined choirs of Knock Shrine who will be joined by Dana for 'Lady of Knock' and her new hymn 'Light the Flame'.

For more information see

www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.

My last Sunday masses in Cabinteely will be 22/23 July. There will be an opportunity after all the masses that weekend to say goodbye. I have no doubt that the following weekend you will give a great welcome to Fr Donal Roche as he takes up his new role.

I am grateful to God to have had the opportunity to be in Cabinteely for nearly seven years. It was not without its challenges particularly during Covid times. But a wonderful community has helped us all face those challenges together.

Fr Aquinas

Dublin Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Pilgrimage director. V. Rev. Martin Noone. Led by Most Rev. Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin

5th Sept—7 Nights & 7th Sept—7 Nights.

For details Tel. 012410800 or email info@joewalshtours.ie This year the pilgrimage will be taking assisted sick pilgrims, as was done pre-covid. Our sick pilgrims will be accommodated in the Accueil Notre Dame which is situated close to the Grotto and they will be cared for by volunteer doctors, nurses, chaplains and helpers from all over the diocese. If you have a sick relative /friend you think may benefit please contact the parish office for an application form. [All applications are subject to consideration by the pilgrimage Medical Board and the decision as to their acceptance rests with the board]

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

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

Greetings from the Society of African Missions (SMA Fathers) in Ranelagh. I write concerning my recent visit to Cabinteely parish for Mission Awareness.

The total amount donated was a wonderful €1,315. I am very grateful for the tremendous generosity shown by the parishioners of Cabinteely parish and I would be grateful if you would pass on the SMA's deep gratitude to them for their support of our missionary work. I am also very grateful to the parish for accommodating our Mission Awareness visit in the parish schedule

God bless. Fr. Tommy Faherty, SMA

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

For First and Second Sunday Collections standing-order-collections

Standing Order Forms

For Parish Planned Giving to support the Parish



Website of the Week: Finding God in All Things

"Why do we spend our lives striving to be something that we would never want to be, if only we knew what we wanted? Why do we waste our time doing things which, if we only stopped to think about them, are just the opposite of what we were made for?" This question, posed by the great Trappist mystic, Thomas Merton, set James Martin – editor of America magazine - on the path to priesthood. He talks about finding God in all things in a sparking interview with Krista Tippett of the award-winning PBS programme, "On Being". Listen to it at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Summer Dues

Envelopes available at the back of the Church and can also be given online through our website www.cabinteelyparish.ie

The Summer Dues goes to the common fund from which all priests are paid an allowance

Ecumenical Pilgrimage to Rome

Ballybrack-Killiney parish is organising an Ecumenical Pilgrimage to Rome with St Patrick's, Dalkey & Holy Trinity, Killiney October 30th—5th November 6 nights hotel, bed & breakfast plus 3 evening meals: €1295 pp sharing. Alternating Mass and Morning Prayer. Booking at joewalshtours.ie/tours/pilgrimageto-rome-2023-10-30

More information from Fr Tom Dalzell: 01 2826404

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