



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



September 24th 2023 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once I gave my three-year-old niece a certain toy for Christmas. When she opened it, she was happy. Shortly thereafter her five-year old sister opened another present from me: the same toy, along with some play jewellery. The three-year-old cried out: "That's not fair! Why'd she get the jewellery, too?!"

Let's face it: there's something about God's grace in our religion which bugs us. We love to look at others' blessings and cry out: "That's not fair!" Catholicism is not fair in the sense that it is a religion founded on God's grace which is unmerited favour. God pours his mercy, love, and divine life upon us not because we're good but because He is infinitely good.

If you think the "not fair" quality of grace is easy to accept, consider how typically angry we get when we hear the parable of the workers who get paid way more than they deserve. The hyper-generous landowner says to the indignant hard workers, "Are you envious because I am generous?" Well, yes, they are, and so are we! Therefore, we have to reckon with this painful truth in order to move into the divine sphere of gifts, which is the world of Christ and his Church. Then we are able to move beyond a tit-for-tat world and into one where gifts are poured forth on those who don't deserve it — namely, upon us.

— **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 Sept 23rd —5.30pm

George Bannister - 17th Anniversary

Sunday Sept 24th — 10am

James Bracken—Anniversary
 Christy & Nancy Swords—
 Anniversaries

Sun Sept 24th —12.30am

Recently Deceased

Dr. Fergal Nally
 Conor Doyle

Monday - 10am **Special Intention**

Tues —10am
 Joan Kane _ RIP
 Noreen Brien—Anniversary

Thurs 10am

Fri 10am
 Herbie Magee—Anniversary

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Attention: Parents of children making First Holy Communion in the parish in 2024.
Fr Donal will be holding an information evening in the church on **Wed 27th Sept @ 7.30**
At least one parent should attend [ideally both]

Website of the Week: "Let Nothing Disturb You"
"Let nothing disturb you. / Let nothing frighten you. / All things are passing. / God never changes."
The short prayer, "Nada te Turbe" – "Let nothing disturb you" – was found in the breviary of the 16th century Spanish mystic and saint, Teresa de Ávila, written in her own hand. Her words have consoled countless numbers of people. They have been set to music by the ecumenical Taizé community, for whom chanting is one of the most essential elements of worship. "As the words are sung over many times, their reality gradually penetrates the whole being. Meditative singing thus becomes a way of listening to God." Listen to St Teresa's deeply comforting prayer sung by a Taizé community at:
www.newpilgrimagepath.ie

Volunteers needed to operate **the coffee dock** on Sundays after the **10am Mass**. The hospitality after mass is a much loved tradition here in the parish but **cannot** continue without new volunteers. If you are able to help, even one weekend a month please give your name into the parish office, call 012858835 or email info@cabinteelyparish.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](#)



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.

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD (Psalm 46)

Our Centering Prayer group has restarted on **Wednesdays @7pm** in the Parish Centre. If you feel drawn to deepening your relationship with the Divine within, please join us for this beautiful form of silent prayer. No experience necessary.

The *Pathways* programme, run by the Archdiocese of Dublin, begins this year in DCU on Thurs. Sept 28th (7pm – 9.30pm). **More Information is available in the flyer at the back of the church A parishioner who has previously taken this course has written about his experience and this may be helpful to those considering taking the course**

Child Safeguarding & Protection Service

This year's Safeguarding Sunday will take place on **September 24th**.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the formation of the diocesan Child Safeguarding & Protection Service and consequently the theme of the occasion is very much "reflection". We reflect on the journey that all of us have been on over the last 20yrs, especially the victims of abuse in our Church. It is also a time to reflect on the ongoing commitment by all in our parishes to ensure the safety of children & vulnerable adults. A lot has been achieved; however, this work is never done. The safeguarding of children & vulnerable adults in our diocese is central to the Gospel values that we embrace on a daily basis. Please read our most recent newsletter – Available at the back of the church or on.

<https://cabinteelyparish.ie/safeguarding-newsletter-sept-2024/>

French Boules—Open day Sat 30th Sept 1pm–3pm. In front of Cabinteely House—Cabinteely Park.

All are welcome to try out the game of Petanque and to get some insight into winning strategies and how to play the enjoyable game. We will give advice on what equipment you will need and will supply boules, rings and scoreboards and anything else required on the day.

All Welcome—no booking required

Bayside Alpha are running a new free 7-week Zoom course on **Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit**. The course starts on Tues 26th Sept at 7.30pm and 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 to, and short Scriptures to reflect on at home. The following themes are covered on the course: The Spirit of Adoption, The Spirit and the Sacraments, The Fruits of the Holy Spirit, The Spirit Convicts, The Spirit's Freedom, The Spirit Gives Witness, The Spirit Remembers. If you would like to take part please email Paul at alphabayside@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 Donal