

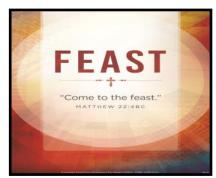
St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

October 15th 2023-28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I confess that I have a soft spot for the scary things Jesus says because they are usually ignored. But there's gold in them thar hills, if we have courage to look. This week Jesus gives us a terrifying warning in his parable about the king who gives a marriage feast for his son and promptly goes berserk when people don't respond. The point: those who do not properly respond to God's generous invitation will face totally devastating consequences. The invitees who don't show up get their city burned to the ground. The poor homeless man is tortured for not wearing the correct clothes. Scary indeed.

Is Jesus trying to intimidate or bully us into following him? No, because that is certainly not how he treats anyone in the Gospels. A better view is this: to Jesus, your life matters. The universe is not an empty wasteland where anything goes. It is a theatre of love offered and either accepted or rejected. How easy it can be to glide through life thinking my life doesn't make a difference. But it does. It really does.

This should not only be sobering but exhilarating. The positive side of the negative in Jesus' scary parables is the thrill and joy that he is inviting us, therefore our lives matter a great deal. There is a reason to get up in the morning. God's generous love is relentlessly calling us. True, obstinately saying no through our indifference is a catastrophe for us and those around us. But how wonderful must the consequences of our 'yes' be? — 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 Oct 14th -5.30pm

Peter O'Dwyer—Anniversary Sean Finn– Anniversary

Sunday Oct 15th - 10am

Declan Harnett—Birthday Remembrance Winnie Kelly - Recently Deceased Mrs Lal Sexton—Anniversary

Sun Oct 15th —12.30am

Ethyl Walsh — 2nd Anniversary

Noel Agar — Recently Deceased

Monday - 10am

Bill Smith—Recently Deceased Joan McLoughlin—Recently Deceased

Tues —10am Ray & Sirpa Ottaway—Remembrance

<u>Thurs 10am</u> William & Peggy McNally—Anniversaries. Mairead Hurley — 1st Anniversary

Fri 10am Phil Smyth—Birthday Remembrance

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Johnstown/Killiney Parish invite you to the next Men's Breakfast. The next Mens Breakfast of the Autumn will be on Saturday, November 11th, from 8am to 9.30 in Johnstown Centre, Churchview Road, Killiney, A96 AY24. This is a great opportunity for men to have a relaxing chat, a good breakfast and hear a passionate speaker share their faith journey. Our guest speaker will be JP Johnson from Loughlinstown. Small donation (€3 to €4) welcome. Starts 8am and ends 9.30am. Please confirm attendance by sending your name to 087 2382941 or johnstownmensbreakfast@gmail.com.

CASA CHARITY COLLECTION C.A.S.A. (Caring and Sharing Association) [www.casa.ie] Bags [given out last weekend] will be collected at all masses this weekend14th /15th Oct Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland a weekend has been scheduled for Nov 10th—12th. Venue: The Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Eircode W91 XR23. This weekend is available to all married couples at no fixed charge beyond the deposit of €50 per couple and a voluntary donation. Register online https:// www.marriageencounter.ie.

MONASTIC VOCATIONS WEEKEND

Do you feel called to seek God in prayer & contemplation, monastic work & community life? The Cistercian community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn, invite single women, aged 19 to 40, to their upcoming monastic vocations weekend on Oct 27-29. Please contact vocations@glencairnabbey.org. [Sister Sarah] or visit www.glencairnabbey.org

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

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Parish

Standing Order FAMILY OFFERING

Christian Meditation Ireland are hosting a **Meditation Meet-Up** for all who are interested in Christian Meditation or in finding out more about it. It will take place in **Balally Parish Centre**, Dublin **D16 E032** on **Sat. 21st October 2023** from **10:30** a.m. to **12:30** p.m. with Guest Speaker *Dr Noel Keating*. See www.christianmeditation.ie

Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society David Gunning will present 'Shifting Foundations -The Big Houses of Dun Laoghaire- Rathdown' at 8 pm on Wed Oct.18th in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire. All are welcome - admission is €5.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group. St. Anne's Parish Shankill.

Have you experienced a loss or bereavement. The Bethany Bereavement support group offers a safe and confidential environment for listening and sharing with each other. A 5 week program will run from Monday. 15th Jan until Monday Feb 12th 2024 from 8-9.30pm in St Anne's resource centre Shankill. This is a free listening service provided by trained volunteers in the community. For more info contact St Anne's Resource Centre 01-2822704.

November Altar List of the Dead

The Parish is currently compiling the November Altar list of the dead for next year. Mass is offered throughout the year on the First Friday of every month for the Altar list of the dead. If you would like the names of your loved ones included there are special envelopes at the back of the Church for the list and offering.

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS

The special Mass to remember our loved ones who have died will be held on Friday Nov 3rd at 7.30pm in St Brigid's Church.

If you have a loved one who died in the past year that you would like remembered please contact the parish office with details. [2858835 or email Info@cabinteelyparish.ie] by **Oct 27th.**

B.E. - BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge not weakness.

This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. A team, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share their experiences with you. Next residential Programme will take place from **3rd–5th Nov. 2023** in Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village. D24 KA40. For further information please phone Dublin Team 086 0877379 or email <u>bedublin@gmail.com</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 Donal*

