



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



October 8th 2023 -27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus' parables are much stranger than most people realise. This week is an attention-getting example. He tells the religious leaders a parable about a completely absurd situation. Blood-thirsty and insane tenants violently abuse and kill the servants of their landlord. Inexplicably, the owner keeps sending them more victims of increasing value — up to and including his own son. Weird.

Usually, we hear this parable and assume it's an allegory: Jesus is the murdered son, the servants the prophets, etc. Fair enough. But notice — and here is where the weirdness deepens — Jesus seems to disagree with the Pharisees' interpretation that the landowner should and will punish the inheritance-obsessed murderers. So, is Jesus praising the psychotic and greedy murderers?! You can imagine the furrowed brows and deriding laughter as the scoffing crowd shuffles away.

If we stay with this tough parable, perhaps this truth emerges: God wants us to have an over-the-top obsession with a totally undeserved inheritance. Of course, we are forbidden to use violence. But the parable's violence gets our attention because it highlights the crazy goodness of the landowner. Jesus reveals that God is not merely in the business of rewarding the good and punishing the bad. He is playing a much stranger game — one marked by a kind of over-the-top mercy, a breath-taking giving of what is not deserved. What would our week look like if we embraced this kind of desire for God's kingdom on earth, even if others think we're nuts? This week let's seek God's kingdom with a passionate confidence in God's desire to give the good things we don't deserve.

— **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 7th —5.30pm

Mary Curry - Anniversary

Sunday Oct 8th — 10am

Lauretta Marongiu Monaco— RIP

Michael Barry—RIP

Sun Oct 8th —12.30am

Get well mass

Recently Deceased

William [Bill] Smith

Paula O'Connor

Sean Máirtín

Fr John Carey

Monday - 10am

Daragh Murphy—Anniversary

Marina Simonett —Recently Deceased

Tues —10am

Special Intention

Gerard Prior - Recently Deceased

Thurs 10am

Special Intention

June Daly—Anniversary

Fri 10am

Mass of Thanksgiving

Bill Smith—RIP

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

St Brigid's conference of **St Vincent de Paul** will be holding their monthly Church Gate Collection after all masses this weekend. **[7th/8th Oct]** If you do not carry cash but wish to donate you can do so by using the **QR code** below or on-line at www.svp.ie or online direct to St Vincent de Paul St Brigid's — **BIC BOFIE2D IBAN IE92 BOFI 90118317728620**. The local volunteers are very grateful for your continued generous support that enables us to help those in need. If you, or anyone you know, are experiencing serious financial concerns please know that SVP can listen/help. If you need help, you can phone head office on **01-8550022** and always be assured of our complete confidentiality



ADMISSIONS JUNIOR INFANTS SEPTEMBER 2024 to St. Brigid's Boys' School

Applications for Junior Infants Sept 2024 open on 2nd Oct '23 and close at 2.30pm on 27th Oct '23. Parents will be notified of a decision by Nov 17th. Confirmation of acceptance by December 1st at 2.30 p.m.

The Applications process for **Junior Infants in St. Brigid's Girls' School**, Cabinteely opens on Monday 2nd Oct. Forms are available for completion on the school website. For further information please contact the school directly."

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.

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.

Crosscare would like to express their sincere thanks for your very kind response of **One Thousand Euro** to their Annual Appeal on the weekend of 16th & 17th Sept.

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-

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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](#)



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**.

CASA CHARITY COLLECTION

C.A.S.A. (Caring and Sharing Association)

[\[www.casa.ie\]](http://www.casa.ie) is a voluntary organisation that supports people with disabilities. CASA has over 20 local groups nationwide, each group holding regular social events with one volunteer to support each CASA member at all of our activities. CASA will be giving out bags this weekend and would appreciate if you could donate items like clothes, accessories & shoes, new or good as new bed linen bric/brac, homewares, unwanted gifts books [recently published and in good condition] Unfortunately we are unable to take any toys duvets/pillows or electrical goods

Thanking you in advance for your generosity.
Bags will be collected at all masses 14th /15th Oct

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>

A Lifeline for Married Couples: Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Unable to communicate effectively? Are you hurt, frustrated or angry with your spouse? Does talking about it only make it worse? The **Retrouvaille** programme can help marriages at all stages. Next VIRTUAL programme commences **19th– 22nd Oct 2023**. For information contact Anne (01) 495 3536, text or call Mike- 087 2526812 /Anne - 087 6874658 or send an enquiry to [in-fo.retrouvaille2020@gmail.com](mailto:fo.retrouvaille2020@gmail.com) or see www.retrouvaille.ie
Completely confidential.

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