

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Brings Out Our Best

This mid-point of **A**dvent alerts us to issues of justice and equality.

The prophet John has been asked as a sort of trick by people who exploited others with tax bills, and soldiers who often used their brute force on others how they should repent. His words were tough but quite ordinary -

don't overcharge, ~ share your surplus with the needy ~ and don't exploit people.
 It's another, but more figurative way, of stating the basic demands of '*Love one another*'.

Christmas can bring out the best in us to care for the needy. We are surrounded by charities looking for aid. We know that Jesus hears the cries of the poor, and he joins every carol singing group trying to help.

Christmas also asks us to consider our honesty and integrity, for we know that many are poor, at home and abroad, because of the greed of others.
Christmas is a reminder and a challenge that all can live with the dignity we have come to regard as human rights - education, safety, shelter, food, water, employment, freedom.

The Christ child who was born poor represents all the poor of the world, especially children. As he was born ordinary, he represents that God who meets, greets and helps us in the ordinary aspects of life. The one who is to come is the one who will live and love according to these truths of human dignity and equality. Come, Lord Jesus, child of the earth, child of God. Come into our world of joy and sorrow. Stay with us always,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen. Donal Neary SJ

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekdays Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. at 10am *Including Bank Holidays* No mass on Wednesday. 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 & weekday mornings after mass - on request www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

<u>Saturday Vigil Dec 14th</u> <u>— 5.30pm</u> Ted Murphy — Anniversary Jean & Christy O'Connell—Anniv. Jack Roy—3rd Anniversary

Sunday Dec 15th — 10am

Bridget Gaughran—11th Anniversary Doris Lowry—Anniversary & all deceased members of the Lowry family Margaret Cleary—Anniversary Kieran Cotter—Christmas Remembrance

Sunday Dec 15th — 12.30

Cyril Corrigan — Anniversary Patricia Byrne — Anniversary Roisin Mary Plunkett —Rec. Deceased Mary McEntee — Recently Deceased

> Recently Deceased Maureen Newman Pat O'Connor

Monday - 10am

<u>Tues - 10am</u> Christina Heffernan & all the deceased members of the Heffernan family

Thurs 10am Noel Clarke & Family—Christmas Remembrance

> <u>Friday 10am</u> Cyril Smith—Anniversary

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Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve – 6pm & 9pm [with carols from 8.30pm] Christmas Day 8.30am, 10am [Adult Choir & 12noon [Gospel Group] The full listing of all masses in the surrounding parishes are displayed at the back of the church

AWARE offer a free weekly group for people in the community who may be struggling with depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder & mood related conditions in Cabinteely. Details are on Aware.ie website. This group takes place in the Ash Room, St Brigid's Pastoral Centre, Johnstown Road, Cabinteely, D18YP96. Time: Every Wednesday at 7pm.

CROSSCARE APPEAL

Crosscare, the social care agency of the Archdiocese, is once again asking for support for their **Christmas Food Poverty Appeal**.. Anyone wishing to contribute can donate at www.crosscare.ie, call 01 8360011, or send a cheque or postal order to Crosscare Christmas Appeal, 2 Saint Mary's Place North, D07 Y768.

Christmas Penance Services

Monday 16th December—Shankill Parish at 7.30pm Wed 18th Dec.—Johnstown Killiney at 7.30pm. Christmas Eve—Confessions in St Brigid's Cabinteely between 11am and 12noon

<u>Change in Sunday Mass Times</u> From Sunday <u>Dec 29th 2024</u> the 2nd Sunday mass will be at 12noon and not 12.30pm

"This Advent, you are invited to join with us each Thursday at 7.30pm for a <u>Holy Hour of Eucharistic</u> <u>Adoration with Benediction.</u> There will be much needed silent time. The 'comfort' that God offers us is nothing less than His own presence. Confessions will also be available.

Thank You For your Generosity

Sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously and regularly to our parish collections. The two collections during Mass go to the central administration of the diocese. The First Collection [plus dues] is used to pay the priest's salaries, both working & retired. The second collection (**Share**) pays for the services provided by the diocese and is used to support parishes that are struggling financially. If you want to support the parish at local level, you can use the weekly envelopes or pay by standing order (details in parish office). If you would like to make a donation by credit/ debit card, simply scan the QR code using the camera on your phone and it will take you to our secure online donations page, where you can enter your card details.

First Collection



Second Collection



Farewell to Ken our Sacristan

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for all that Ken has done during his years as Sacristan at St Brigid's parish. We wish to mark the occasion on **Dec 22nd** after the 10am Mass in the parish centre. We will present Ken with a token of appreciation and we will all get an opportunity to thank him personally and to wish him well for his future work in Ministry. On behalf of the parish, we wish Ken every blessing now and always.....**Fr Paul**

ADVENT TALKS IN GLASTHULE

Dalkey-Glasthule-Dun Laoghaire Parish Partnership invites you to the last in a series of Advent talks "No Room At The Inn", on **Mon 16th Dec. in St Joseph's Church, Glasthule at 7.30p**m, followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. The speaker is Richard King (Crosscare). All welcome.

