

St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



'Give me my legacy ... now!'

This is a real family story about breakups and reconciliation, about love that covers all sorts of happenings and about love to the end. It is about a father who loved all the time, and many a parent identifies with it.

Look at a few things... the son had wanted him dead... 'give me the legacy Da'. Everyone knew that. He had shamed the family. And the old man waited for years, hoping that his loved son would return.

Look at what happened when he came home - mercy took over - the run, robe, ring and the sandals. He was welcomed as a son. The father doesn't even say once that he forgives. He loves totally and that includes forgiveness.

It's mercy all the time. That repairs the loss. The son wanted to be a hired servant and that would have kept the old man at a distance. He was brought back as a son.

The story is also a call on us to have mercy. People all do wrong - often great wrong. We need a lot of mercy in our country now, but we can't hold bitterness forever. The gospel today encourages us to love as we have been loved with the love that is merciful.

And even when we can't do this - like the elder son we are still loved. The father says - *All I have is yours*. God gives his love all the time and waits for our response, Mercy may take time. And God has all the time in the world.

Lord have mercy, on me and on all who stray, today and every day. Amen.

Donal Neary S.J.

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely

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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 & 12.30pm 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 March 30th — 5.30pm</u> Brendan Beakey—Recently Deceased Special Intention

Sunday March 30th — 10am Marie Gray—Anniversary Aileen Sheridan — 60th Anniversary Eoin O'Neill — 1st Anniversary Humphrey Harnett—Rec. Deceased Mary Cadden—10th Anniversary Paddy Roe—Recently Deceased

Sunday March 30th — 12.30pm

Paddy O'Leary—Birthday Remembrance Ella Kennedy – 8th Anniversary Bert Callery — 14th Anniversary Pat Flynn — Anniversary Paddy McConville—Anniversary Frank Murray — 7th Anniversary Joan Kavanagh

> Monday - 10am Special Intention

Tues—10am Tom Walsh — Anniversary

> Thurs -10am Holy Souls

Fri -10am First Friday

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

<u>Trócaire</u> boxes are now available in the church porches, One of the pillars of Lent is the giving of Alms. The Trocaire box has long been a great way to remember our sisters and brothers in need throughout the holy season of Lent.

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday April 26th 2025.

See poster at back of church for details or email knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie. For more info.

During Lent there will be a <u>Holy Hour</u> each Thursday evening beginning at 7.30pm. There will also be <u>Stations of the Cross</u> after the 10am mass on Fridays

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025

Some early details of our *Jubilee Year Pilgrimage.* The dates are **4th to 9th Sept'25**, led by Archbishop Farrell. The Pilgrimage is a fully escorted tour. Contact info@joewalshtours.ie or ph 01 241 0800

"Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino.

This September join the MSC Missions as we walk the shaded lanes and valleys of the **Camino Frances** walking from Saria to Santiago in Spain. We will then visit Fatima for a short pilgrimage. We are led on this spiritual journey by Fr Tony Horgan MSC. For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage ring Valerie at 021 454 3988 or email valerie.buckley@mscmissions.ie

Bereavement Support

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

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





REASONS TO BELIEVE

Our exciting **"Reasons to Believe "** program commences this Wednesday in the parish centre at 7.30pm. Come early for some light refreshments **All Welcome**

- WED 2ND APRIL THE POWER OF STORY
 AND SCRIPTURE
- WED 9TH APRIL MEETING CHRIST IN THE SACRAMENTS

Life in the Spirit Seminars

These seminars (which are run by the Parish Partnership along with the Community of Nazareth) will continue each Friday at 7.30pm in Johnstown Parish Hall until Friday April 11th when there will be a special closing mass. All are welcome.

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

<u>Volunteer cleaners needed</u> for the Church. If you can help please give your name in to the parish office.

Pockets of Hope is a pilgrimage during the jubilee Year of Hope 2025, hosted by four of the churches in Dublin city on Sat 5th April. Meeting at St Andrews Westland Row at 10.30. Places are limited. Register with St Anne's resource centre – 01 2822277. See poster at back of church for more details

Minding the Mind: Public Lecture Series 2025

St John of God Hospital, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin (7:30pm-9:00pm (each evening)

- Monday, 7 April *Trauma: What Does It Mean* for Mental Health? Dr Louise Canacott, Senior Chartered Counselling Psychologist
- Monday, 14 April *Eating Disorders: Understanding the Inner Voice* Imelda Redmond and Karen Dunne, Clinical Nurse Specialists

• Monday, 28th April *Mind Over Exams:* Strategies for Staying Calm & Confident Katie Crean, Senior Occupational Therapist Admission is free, but registration is essential. In-person attendance is limited to 40 participants per evening, and each session will also available to stream live. To register, please visit:

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