



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Fifth Sunday of Lent - April 6th 2025

More than Forgiveness

This is a powerful story of justice and mercy. Jesus is on the side of the woman who has been accused of sin and crime. It was an unjust accusation, and the people who brought her had little good in mind.

Jesus offers more than forgiveness - he brings mercy. *Mercy forgives with compassion* and doesn't need lectures. It restores dignity to the victims of injustice like the lady in this story. It is the same in Jesus, for those who do not receive their dignity because of something they are, or something they did and are unjustly treated.

Jesus did not condemn; he turns the tables a bit. He simply says: *Anyone here without sin - take the stone and throw it.* Nobody does. In this atmosphere of darkness we need to hear something of the love and the mercy of God. Would light of mercy come into their darkness of condemnation? Would they leave their darkness into a personal space where they might have a change of heart?

This is also about the challenge to live honestly and without sin; and to be able to take steps like this woman's life, to move on. All hear this word from Jesus - *I do not condemn you.* This comes to our society and to ourselves. We need to hear this word for ourselves as often we throw stones at ourselves more than at others. What we condemn in others is what sometimes we do not like in ourselves.

Lord may we enter this world of mercy wherever we need to. May we hear these words always, 'I do not condemn you'

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

Saturday Vigil April 5th — 5.30pm

Buena Purtill—Anniversary

Joe Concannon—Anniversary

Sunday April 6th — 10am

John Duffy — Anniversary

Special Intention—Get Well

Gerry & Aiden Callaly—Anniversary

Sunday April 6th — 12.30pm

Maura Byrne—6th Anniversary

Sean Carr—11th Anniversary

Dot & Barney Carr—Birthday

Remembrances.

Tom Corcoran— 2nd Anniversary

Monday - 10am

Special Intention

Tues—10am

Brian & Josephine McGovern —
Anniversaries

Thurs -10am

Fri -10am

Sheila Tanham - Recently Deceased

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Our local conference of **St. Vincent de Paul** will hold their usual monthly Collection at all masses NEXT weekend (the 12th and 13th April). The team would like to sincerely thank all those who support us regularly. If you are struggling and need our help, you can contact us at www.svp.ie or by phoning 01-8550022

Faith Formation Talks

Dr. Jessie Rogers, Maynooth, will come to Ballybrack-Killiney Parish to assist with our Faith Formation. She will speak in Church of the Apostles, Ballybrack at 19.30hrs on the following dates.

Wednesday 9th April & 21st May

This year's talks will focus on The Psalms - the great poetry of Scripture. All are welcome

Recent Baptisms

We welcome into our Christian community, Charlie, Oisín and Charlie Anthony who have been baptised here recently.

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

"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. Spiritual director Fr Tony Horgan MSC. For more details ring Valerie at 021 454 3988 or email valerie.buckley@mscmisions.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



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Second Collection



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REASONS TO BELIEVE

Our exciting "**Reasons to Believe**" program concludes this Wednesday April 9th in the parish centre at 7.30pm. Come early for some light refreshments. This week's topic "**MEETING CHRIST IN THE SACRAMENTS**"
All 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**

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

Minding the Mind: Public Lecture Series 2025

□ *St John of God Hospital, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin*

□ 7:30pm–9:00pm (each evening)

Monday, 7th 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 be available to stream live. To register, please visit: □ <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/st-john-of-god-hospital-95596089983>

Next Saturday's vigil mass [**April 12th**] is the last monthly mass for those children preparing for First Holy Communion in May 2025

SENIORLINE

Would you like someone to talk to? **SeniorLine** is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer callers to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. **Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm.**

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock **Saturday April 26th 2025.**

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