



St Brigid's Parish Cabinteely



Ascension of the Lord — May 17th 2026

Fully Alive

I asked a woman once if Johnny was in the house. She pointed at a chair and said, '*If he was here he would be there.*' He never moved far! Jesus - he is here and there. The risen lord has moved on, but he has not fully left us. His Spirit dwells in us.

The one who came to earth has now gone back to heaven, bringing with him all that is human. His body - the man of heaven and the God of earth - is now the church, and that's us.

Before we are of any denomination or group, we are Christ's. We are baptised into the church of Christ; and yes, we live out our faith in different denominations. Today is the feast of the whole church - we begin in him and end in him, like the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, on the paschal candle. Our faith is also renewed through living with Jesus - we are partners in our mission. Our faith is also renewed in reading and praying the gospel each day.

On earth we are his body, with all our strengths and weaknesses, goodness and sin. Icons have Jesus smiling as he reaches heaven, smiling on us and living through us. We prepare for the way he is with us now next Sunday - in the Spirit. Where the qualities of the Spirit are alive, he is alive and well among us.

A breathing prayer - as you breathe in notice you are breathing in the gift of life from God.

Holy Spirit, living in the church, living in Mary, draw me more fully into your life.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J

Mass times - 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 Saturday 5.30pm vigil mass and the Friday 10am mass in the side chapel

www.churchservices.tv/cabinteely

Parish of St Brigid's Cabinteely

www.cabinteelyparish.ie : email info@cabinteelyparish.ie

Fr. Paul Ludden – PP. 01 -2858835

Fr Arthur O'Neill & Fr Paddy Devitt

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Registered Charity Number (RCN) 20016166 & CHY 7424

You can contact St Vincent de Paul at www.svp.ie or by phoning 01-8550022.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FEAST DAYS

Mon 18th — St John 1, Pope & Martyr

Fri 22nd — St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat May 16th — 5.30pm

Carl Daniel Monaghan — Anniversary

Sinead Power & Imelda Breheny —
Months Mind

Sunday May 17th — 10am

Gerry Beegan — 53rd Anniversary

Maureen Beegan — 11th Anniversary

Fr Jim O'Connell — Rec. Deceased

Tom Ryan — Months Mind

Nan Sills — Anniversary

Sunday May 17th — 12.30pm

Eileen & Seamus Kennedy—Anniversary

Séan Clare — Anniversary

Nellie Lonergan —Recently Deceased

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Tim Cronin
Betty McDonnell

Monday - 10am

Holy Souls

Tues—10am

May & Dan O'Connor—Birthday
Remembrance

Thurs—10am

Barbara Holmes—6th Anniversary

Friday –10am

Special Intention

PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THIS NEWSLETTER

There will be **NO** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this **Thursday May 21st**

If you know of someone who may be considering the **Priesthood**, please encourage them to contact the vocations team: Fr Séamus at vocations@dublindiocese.ie or Fr Bill at bill.oshaughnessy@dublindiocese.ie.

Congratulations to the Boys from St. Brigid's school who made their **First Holy Communion** here on Saturday 16th May. Please remember them all in your prayers

FOXROCK PARISH - PENTECOST TRIDUUM

May 21, May 22, May 23. Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Foxrock Church. Morning Mass 10am and Evening Devotion 8pm. Conclusion 6pm Vigil Mass Saturday 23rd May – Solemnity of Pentecost. Fr Billy Cleary, Spiritan Father, will lead us.

Faith on Fire Prayer Meeting

This meeting takes place every Friday in Johnstown Parish Hall at 7.30pm. The evening consists of tea and biscuits, then some hymns, a talk, followed by a small group discussion.. At present, we are following a series of live talks on how to develop good Christian Personal Relationships (based around 'John 13:34 - A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another) as distinct from modern secular society where relationships are often based on what suits 'me ,myself and I'. **All are welcome, there is no charge.**

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

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NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

You are warmly invited to join once again with every parish in the diocese in the annual **Novena to the Holy Spirit – our dedicated period of prayer, reflection and planning for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin**. The *Building Hope* Novena will take place in the nine days from 17th – 25th May beginning on the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, through Pentecost and continuing to the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church on Monday 25th May. Novena prayer cards are available at both entrances to the church, and the novena prayer will be said at each mass during this period.

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. **Ph. 1800 80 45 91, open every day 10am-10pm**

Preparing for Marriage?

Weekend residential courses available.
13th-15th Nov 2026 and 26-28 February 2027
Married Couples course — Weekend residential courses available. 14-15 Nov 2026 and 27-28 February 2027. **Details: www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org**

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

An **Ignite Ireland** day conference, with special guest speaker from the US, Scott Hahn, will take place on Saturday 23rd of May in the Convention centre, Dublin. Scott Hahn is a well known writer and broadcaster, and much sought after speaker. It is an event not to be missed. For more information and to book your ticket go to: www.dominicans.ie

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Separated, Divorced, Widowed – are you coping? Few people are able to cope alone with the pain and loneliness following the loss of a life partner. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Beginning Experience is a peer support group dedicated to helping those who are navigating life following the loss of a life partner. Structured programmes are run by a team of trained facilitators, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced. The Dublin Beginning Experience Team is planning a Three Day Coping with Life Alone Programme which will take place over three Saturdays: 6th June, 20th June and 27th June. (Advance Booking Essential.) Venue: Carmelite Community Centre, **Whitefriar Street, Dublin 2.** **For further information contact Beginning Experience 086 0877379, or email: bedublin@gmail.com**