St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time-17th October 2019



'Endurance'

We are reading the final chapters of St. Luke's Gospel for Year C. Jesus is in Jerusalem and the passages we hear are talking about end times. The people gathered are obviously excited, having seen how magnificent the Temple is, but the time for excitement might not be just yet. Jesus reminds them, and us, that these things are short-lived and we should not be too bothered about 'fine stonework' and 'votive offerings.' These things do not last. At some point, we have all seen and heard someone shouting on the street or on the internet about the end of the world. You'd be forgiven for thinking that today's Gospel is trying to achieve the same thing.

Jesus tries to comfort the people regarding various crisis that will happen; the call is to take perspective, to look at the bigger picture. Endurance is the message of today's gospel. The people of Jerusalem will witness the destruction of the Temple, the disciples will face persecution, people of faith will have tough times ahead. Whatever crisis may come, Jesus is asking people to keep going, to stay focused and not be afraid. 'Lord, when we are young we think that we become great through our achievements. Life has taught us the truth of Jesus' words: it is by endurance that we win our lives.'

Last Opportunity



This weekend - see posters in church & Pastoral Centre

Sunday 17th Nov. Mass at 3 pm Pastoral Centre, Pelletstown



Remember your loved ones with us

Monday Morning meditation 10.45am



Rosary Prayer Group for Children & Parents Join us in the Church for rosary with Adoration of Blessed Sacrament on

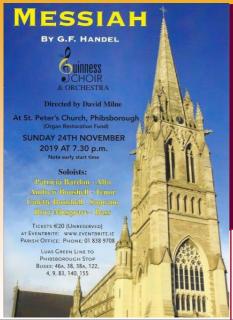
followed by refreshments, chat and play in the pastoral centre.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday and Fridays Commences after the 10am Mass & Rosary. Continues until church closing (app. 8pm)

Divine Mercy Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 7pm in the church

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EXPLORING FUNERAL TEAMS Our recent meeting went very well. If you wish to be part of this initiative, please contact Fr. Aloysius or Máirín.

We would appreciate if all outstanding **Garda Vetting** forms were completed and returned as soon as possible

READERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Sat. 7pm: Kathleen Brennan Sun 9am: Máire Martin 10.30am: Ignatius Byrne 12noon: John Reid

7pm: Helen Devanney-Power

Dates for your Diary November

17th: Mass of Remembrance, Pelletstown

20th: **Flower Show**, Dunboyne Castle, supporting Pieta House & Dunboyne Social Services 24/25th: **Advent Wreath Demonstration** (after

the Sat. 7pm & Sun 10am Mass)

27th: Laudato Si—evening of reflection

28: **Lighting of Christmas Tree**—Blanch. Village

December

1st:Advent Wreath demonstration—Pelletstown 4th: Evening of Advent reflection—Pelletstown 5th: O Night Divine—Carol Concert in Church 12th: Coolmine Therapeutic Centre concert in

Draiocht with Brass Band & Choirs

Enrolment process for Scoil Oilibhéir, the Gaelscoil in Coolmine under the patronage of the Archdiocese of Dublin, is now open for 2020. All details are available at www.gaelscoiloilibheir.ie or you are always welcome to call the school for a chat

Many thanks to all who attended the **Parish Assembly,** and to those who contributed in a meaningful way. All information & suggestions are currently being collated.

We will keep you updated

Please Welcome our recently baptised

Callum, Chloe Summer, Kyler & Rosemary

Intentions	16/17th November	23/24th November
Sat. 7pm	Tommy Reid	Patrick Carr
Sun. 9am	Gerard Madden	Patrick Conroy
10.30am	David Worline	-
12 noon	Barry Kane	Harry Quinlan
		Thomas Ryan
7pm	-	-

All church services available on line via www.blanchardstownparish.ie