

St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—19th July 2020



Going Forward

As we adhere to current Public Health guidelines, the following is our short term plan until we go back to normal.

- Monday to Friday – Mass at **10am**—the church will open at 9.30am and close at 3pm for sanitisation
 - Saturday – Vigil Mass—**7pm** (No morning Mass)
 - Sunday – Mass at **10.30, 12 & 7pm** (No 9am Mass)
- Church will be close for sanitisation after each Mass

The church and the extension will have reduced capacity – **under current health guidelines a maximum of 50 people may gather in both the church and the extension for Mass.** Seating is clearly marked.

SOME ADVICE FOR RETURNING TO MASS:

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is suspended—you might consider attending on a week-day instead.

- Our experience of Mass will be different for many months yet —We anticipate those who are vulnerable or unwell, especially those with any symptoms indicating Covid 19 infection, will continue to participate at home, as now, via webcam, TV, radio etc.)
 - Do your best not to block the doors entering and leaving. Please respect physical distancing both inside and outside the church.
 - Sanitize your hands on entry—masks are recommended.
 - Please cooperate with volunteer stewards on entering, exiting and receiving Holy Communion
 - Please leave patiently and promptly after Mass.
- Please be aware of physical distance when lighting candles. It might be preferable to light them on private visits to the Church. Remember—hand sanitiser can be flammable, so ensure your hands are completely dry.

Readings for 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19

Psalm: 85: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Second Reading: Romans 8: 26-27

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13: 24-43 (shorter form 24-30)

Covid-19 Helpline Numbers

Fingal Community Response 7 days a week 8am to 8pm. Freephone: **1-890-459-059** Ph: **01-890-5000**

Email: covidsupport@fingal.ie info: www.fingal.ie

Alone COVID-19 Support Line for Older People 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm. Call **0818 222 024.**

Accord – support line for people struggling with relationships issues : 10 am-1 pm Mon-Fri Ph **019059555** . More info: www.accorddublin.ie

Crosscare Blanchardstown delivering emergency Food Parcels **01-8219892**

AgeAction

Supporting Older People

Check their website for information on supports at this time www.ageaction.ie



Monday to Friday Mass 10.00am

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7.00pm

Sunday Mass at 10.30am*, 12 noon & 7.00pm

*also broadcast on Phoenix FM— 92.5Mhz

Fr. Mangan: 8213660 Fr. Casey: 8213716 Fr. Zuribo: 5485038 Jim Adams (Deacon) 0862232411
Máirín Keegan (Pastoral Worker) 8115414 Sacristy: 8238354 Parish Office: 8115412 (open: 10-1)
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A prayer for the gift of love in troubled times

O God, who has revealed yourself as love,
and taught us by your word that whoever lives in love lives in you;
in times of trouble and uncertainty
renew our hope in this promise;
help us to receive afresh your gift of love,
that with generosity we may share it in the service of others
to promote the common good;
through him who is the perfect expression of love,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
S Jones

Many thanks for your prayers and support throughout these last months; particular thanks to the many volunteers helping with the re-opening of the church for public Mass—sanitising, stewarding and all the other unseen tasks, and to the envelope collectors who are back in action.

We also wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to all who have continued to support the parish financially, via the Family Offering (an incredible number of saved envelopes have been pouring in over the last few weeks), Sunday Mass contributions, Easter Dues and numerous donations—your generosity has been overwhelming and an inspiration to us all.

The Parish Team

DCU BA in Theology and Religious Studies - Scholarships Available

Interested in studying theology, but need a flexible programme to suit your needs? The DCU BA in Theology and Religious Studies is just for you. This part-time, flexible programme is aimed at mature students, with lectures on Thursday evenings and a handful of Saturdays throughout the year. For 2020/21, the programme will feature blended learning, with online and in-person learning opportunities. Scholarships are available for new incoming students. More info at www.dcu.ie/dc300, or contact Brad Anderson (brad.anderson@dcu.ie).

We remember our recently deceased

Marianne Hartigan
Helen Leonard



*To live in hearts left behind
is not to die*

Intentions	18th/19th July
Sat. 7pm	Frank Leslie 1st A Josephine O'Brien Jacqui O'Sullivan 2nd A
10.30am	-
12 noon	Members of the Giblin family
7pm	James Muldoon James Branigan

Children's Corner

In the Gospel Today Jesus tells the story of a man who sowed good seed in a field. When everyone was asleep, his enemy went and sowed weeds there too. The farmer let both the wheat and weeds grow together until harvest time. Only then did he separate them out.

God's amazing kingdom

The kingdom of God is might have very small beginnings, but it can make amazing things happen!

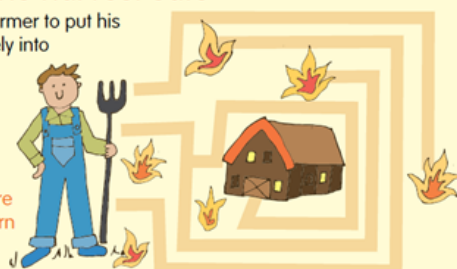


Match up the small item on the top with the big thing that it becomes.

Keep the harvest safe

Help the farmer to put his wheat safely into the barn.

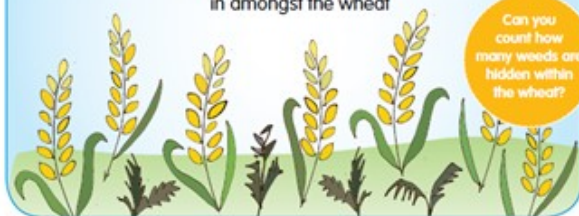
Follow the orange paths. Avoid the fires that are there to burn the weeds.



DO GOOD!

Separating the weeds from the wheat

Someone has sown weeds in amongst the wheat



A Prayer to Say Dear Jesus, at times I am like the field with both good seed and weeds growing in my heart. Help me to look after the good seed so that I can be full of love to share with the people I meet. Amen.

Please Welcome our recently baptised

Daire, Lucy & Tadhgh

Our Baptism schedule has resumed and we welcome all our new babies to the community. Please note, in line with current restrictions, and as there is a large number of baptisms to be rescheduled, there is a limit of 12 persons per family group.

Charismatic Prayer Meeting returns this Tuesday at 8pm in the extension
Current Public Health guidelines in operation