



We are an Easter people and  
alleluia is our song  
St. Augustine

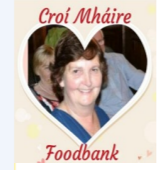
**CURRENT SCHEDULE**  
**Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:**  
 Mass at 10am preceded by the Rosary at 9.30am, Church closes at 5pm  
**Monday:** Area Mass at 7.30pm preceded by Rosary and Novena at 7pm  
**Wednesday:** Liturgy of the Word at 10am  
**Saturday:** Church opens at 10am  
**Vigil Mass at 6pm**  
**Sunday Mass at 10.30am**  
**1st Saturday of the month** – 10am Mass followed by confessions.  
**Last Tuesday of the month**  
 Prayer Group Mass at 8pm, all welcome  
**Bank Holiday:** Mass 11am only, no evening mass  
 All services available on [www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam](http://www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam)  
 Also on Phoenix Radio– 92.5FM  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tue & Fri 10.30am-5pm  
**Blanchardstown Area evening Mass 7.30pm**  
**Mon:** Blanchardstown  
**Tues & Thurs:** Castleknock  
**Wed:** Mulhuddart **Fri:** Corduff

**Easter Blessing**  
 Our Easter celebration calls us to strengthen our belief that new life comes from an empty tomb. Our Easter celebration calls us to seek encounters with the risen Lord and believe that we can be that presence of new life for others. Our Easter amazement does not centre so much on whether or not we believe in Jesus' resurrection—We do! Our amazement is that we can encounter the risen Lord ourselves.  
 Thank you to the Liturgy Team and to the many parishioners who volunteered their time and energy to help prepare the Church for Easter. Fr John, the Parish Team, the Parish Staff and the Parish Pastoral Council would like to extend to all Parishioners of St Brigid's and readers of this newsletter, the grace and blessings of the Easter Season.  
**Happy Easter – the Lord is Risen. Alleluia!**

I am the resurrection and the life  
John 11:25

**Pilgrimage to Knock— 26th April**  
 Could those parishioners who are travelling to Knock please pay the balance of €45 to Jean in the Parish office by Wednesday 23rd April. **The bus is now full!** Please meet at 9.05am on the morning of the 26th April outside St Brigid's Church.  
**Croí Mháire** "Croí Mháire, the Dublin 15 Foodbank, which operates out of St Ciarán's Church, Hartstown, would like to thank the Blanchardstown Community Choir under the direction of Michael Minnock and supported by the Dunboyne Consort for the hugely entertaining and enjoyable concert they performed last week, accompanied by a terrific band. The members of the foodbank would like to acknowledge with heartfelt gratitude the generosity of those who were present. A total of €1,686.50 was raised! This will go a long way to supplement the food donations we receive and support many families, in the area. Thank you so much to all concerned!"

**Parish Education Outreach to Haiti**  
 Our Parish project for Haiti has now concluded and a total of €7,493 has been raised, with further donations still arriving! This amount is a great tribute to the spirit of generosity in St Brigid's and will make a real difference to a struggling community.



We received the following message from the school's organiser Lira Perrier as the funds began to arrive in Haiti. He can now source school books, support teacher training and develop a sustainable food source for the community.  
 "I would like to sincerely thank you for your generous financial help, your support has been crucial for the children. Thanks to you we are on the path to overcoming major challenges".  
 .....**Lira Perrier, Child Support Centre for a Better Haiti**

Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.  
Matthew 25:40



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**Children's Corner: In the Gospel Today**  
 Mary goes to the tomb and finds it empty. Simon Peter and another disciple come and see too. Now they understand – Jesus is alive!  
**What does Easter mean to us?**  
 Use the clues to fill in the words. The letters in the red box will give you the answer!  
**Code word**  
 What does this word say? People in the Bible used it when they were very pleased about something. *Maybe you will hear people shout it today!*  
**GOOD NEWS!**  
 I am so happy that you are alive, Jesus! Thank you for showing me that good can come out of something bad. Help me to enjoy the life that you have given me! Amen.

Over the coming weeks, the diocese will be replacing the Clover Tap & Go machines with the new PAX Tap2Donate device. When you 'Tap' you now get the opportunity to put in your name, telephone number or email address. This in turn allows the parish to accumulate all donations from the tap device, and from family offering/Share/Common Fund or dues collections. Your information is only required once. Therefore, for all combined donations over €250 the parish can claim the tax back. These new devices will have a poster attached explaining how to donate and why the

**Divine Mercy**  
 Divine Mercy devotions will be held in St Philip the Apostle Church in Mountview starting at 2pm on Divine Mercy Sunday 27th April; Mass at 3.30pm.

**MQI** "A huge thank you to the team of parishioners who organised the Christmas Craft Fair last December to raise funds for the Merchants Quay Ireland (MQI) Christmas Backpack Appeal. We acknowledge with thanks receipt of €2,142.00. Thank you for your incredible generosity!" **From Eddie Mullins, CEO MQI**

**FINGAL PROMS**  
**FINGAL PROMS—RONAN COLLINS SHOWBAND HITS SHOW**  
 Saturday 24th May St Brigid's Church Extension. Doors 7pm, show 7.30pm.  
 Tickets €10 plus booking fee now on sale  
[www.eventsinfingal.ie/fingalproms](http://www.eventsinfingal.ie/fingalproms) [www.tickets.ie](http://www.tickets.ie)

**Easter Monday 21st April is a Bank Holiday so mass will be at 11am with no evening mass**

**CANONISATION OF CARLO ACUTIS**  
 To celebrate the canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis, Bishop Paul Dempsey will celebrate Mass in City Quay Church, Dublin, at 3pm on Sunday, April 27. All are welcome to come along and celebrate this special moment in the life of the Church!

**Mary's Meals Auction for Hope**—Saturday 3rd May Maynooth College. Lunch €55; 1pm; Pugin Hall. Auction will be at 2.30pm. Please contact Sylvia Daly on 086 247 9012 by Thursday 24th April. Mary's Meals provides 2.6million school meals every day.

We pray for our recently deceased  
**Paddy Corbett**  
**Jill Downey Martin Brady**  
 Always loved, never forgotten

**Mass intentions for the week**

Sun	David Panergo Jr Terry Keane Rosaleen Cashman	Angela Connell Mary & Ges Kubiak Ellie Peake
Mon	Una Patricia Nulty	Kay Faughan
Wed	Brendan Kinsella (1st Anniv)	Marie Kinsella
Thurs	Anne Fitzgerald Tommy Kelly	Tommy Smyth

**St Brigid's Parish Mass Cards**  
 We have a selection of signed Mass Cards for sale from the sacristy. Sympathy cards, Mass Bouquet, Get Well, Christening, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Easter cards.

