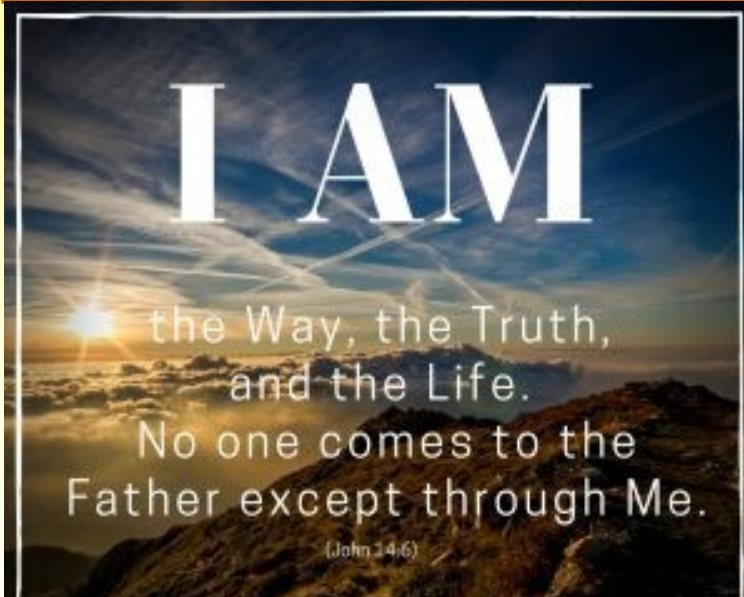


# St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

## 5th Sunday of Easter—10th May 2020



### Readings for 4th Sunday of Easter

**First Reading:** Acts 6:1-7

**Psalm:** 32

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 2:4-9

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia (2)

Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come through the Father except through me" Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 14:1-12

### \*\*\*\*\*Mini-survey\*\*\*\*\*

If you are reading this, please send an email with 'Reading the Parish Newsletter' in the subject line to [office@blanchardstownparish.ie](mailto:office@blanchardstownparish.ie)

**LAUDATO SI'**  
ON CARE FOR  
OUR COMMON HOME

**POPE FRANCIS**  
ENCYCLICAL LETTER

St. Brigid's Parish  
Reading Laudato Si' Together  
Online

*Last Thursday sparked a lively discussion among participants. You can join in any of the remaining 5 sessions.*

Starting Thursday April 30<sup>th</sup>  
at 20:00, for 6 weeks

This program of reading and reflection on Pope Francis' encyclical will be conducted on-line using interactive video technology

To register, send an email to Tony at [chezdevlin@gmail.com](mailto:chezdevlin@gmail.com) or Máirín at [Mairin.Keegan@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:Mairin.Keegan@dublindiocese.ie) for instructions on how to join. Support will be available for using the video system and a copy of the full text of Laudato Si' will be provided

**HOLY HOUR – Tuesdays 4-5pm Online via Webcam**

PRAYER – SILENCE & MUSIC

**Holy Hour**  
Come spend time in  
the presence of Jesus.

This **HOLY HOUR** is a wonderful, peaceful experience—a restful quiet time. So join us on Tuesdays at 4pm on <http://www.blanchardstownparish.ie/our-parish/webcam>

### May Hymn

Bring flowers of the fairest,  
bring blossoms the rarest,  
from garden and woodland and hillside and vale,  
our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling,  
the praise of the loveliest flower of the May.

#### Refrain

*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May,  
O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*

Their lady they named thee,  
Their mistress proclaimed thee,  
O grant their children on earth will be true  
As long as the bowers are radiant with flowers,  
as long as the azure will keep its bright blue.

#### Refrain

Mary E. Walsh

### A short poem for these times

#### BREATHING TIME

A time of hope  
A time of chances  
A time to breathe our breath  
Into nurtured treasured beauty  
The beauty of things unseen  
Unheard, known unknown  
Awaiting birthing time  
Awaiting love

Sr. Teresa

### .....and a prayer

May the Lord support us all  
the day long,  
Till the shades lengthen and  
the evening comes,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over,  
and our work is done.  
Then in his mercy may he  
give us a safe lodging,  
and holy rest, and peace at  
the last.  
*Amen.*

St. John Henry Newman



PARISH OF ST. BRIGID, BLANCHARDSTOWN

### Webcam Masses

[www.blanchardstownparish.ie](http://www.blanchardstownparish.ie)

Monday to Saturday Mass 10.00am

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7.00pm

\*Sunday Mass at 10.30am

At this time, let us keep one another in prayer and watch out for our neighbours.

\*also broadcast on Phoenix FM— 92.5Mhz



### Our First Communions

During the month of May we would have been celebrating our First Communions with the children of our parish schools and with their families.

This weekend we remember the First group from St Francis Xavier.

We ask them to pray for us and as a parish we will pray for them and look forward to celebrating together when it is safe for everyone to do so.

### Covid-19 Helpline Numbers

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

Phone: **01-890-5000** Email: [covidsupport@fingal.ie](mailto:covidsupport@fingal.ie)

For more information check our website: [www.fingal.ie](http://www.fingal.ie)

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

**Accord – support line** for people struggling with relationship issues at this time: open 10 am-1 pm every Monday to Friday Phone **01 9059555**.

More info: [www.accorddublin.ie](http://www.accorddublin.ie)

**Crosscare** emergency food bank in Blanchardstown for delivering emergency Food Parcels. If you know anybody that needs help please contact our foodbank team on **01-8219892**.

Intentions	9th/10th May
Sat. 7pm	John Egan
10.30am	Teresa Somers

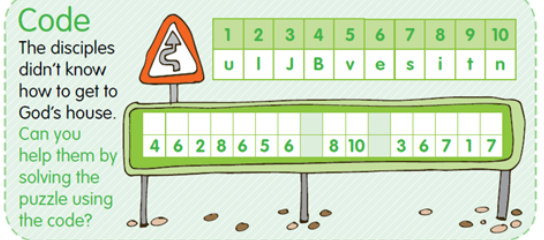
## Children's Corner



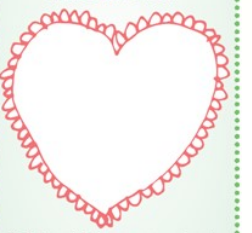
Many people use maps to find their way to places they have

never been to. What if they wanted to find God's house? Jesus tells his friends that there is only one way to find God the Father – and that is through him! Jesus is the way, the truth and the life.

We can be very happy – because Jesus has prepared a special place for us with God the Father.



**"Do not let your hearts be troubled"**  
Jesus wants to take away our worries. Write or draw in the heart anything that you are worried about at home or at school.



Talk to a kind grown up about the heart you have filled in. Ask Jesus to help you.

### A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus,  
I believe in you. Help me to live my life by doing the things that will make you happy. Amen.



THE SANCTUARY

### Online Weekly Meditations

Monday: 10.00am – 10.30am

Wednesday: 7.30pm – 8.00pm

Thursday: 1.15pm – 1.45pm

[www.sanctuary.ie](http://www.sanctuary.ie)

### Many thanks to all who have sent in Easter Dues.

We appreciate your continued support of the Parish and the Diocese in these difficult times.

If you wish, you can donate to the *Sunday Mass 1st & 2nd Collections* directly on [www.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.dublindiocese.ie).

Your *Family Offering Envelope* contributions may be retained by you until the current crisis is over.



### We remember our recently deceased

**Breda Furlong**

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