St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time—14th February 2021



Current Arrangements
Level 5 of the Living with Covid-19 plan
Join us online for any of our Masses at
www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam
Monday to Friday Mass 10.00am
Saturday Vigil Mass at 7.00pm
Sunday Mass at 10.30am*
*also broadcast on Phoenix FM— 92.5Mhz
 ONLINE HOLY HOUR— Join us on Tuesdays
4pm-5pm for Music, Silence and Reflections.
A time to rest with the Lord.
Monday to Friday

Church open for private prayer after Mass until 3pm with **Eucharistic Adoration** *on Tuesdays and Fridays*

No baptisms under current restrictions—these will resume when government guidelines allow.

GUIDELINES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH

To minimise the risks to one another during the pandemic, please observe the following guidelines when visiting the Church:

- 1. All normal Covid rules apply (i.e. social distancing at all times, wear a mask, hand sanitizing on entry and exit).
- 2. Time limit of **30 mins** on each visit.
- 3. *Maximum of 10* in the church at any point in time as per funeral guidelines.
- 4. To assist with ensuring that only 10 are in the church at any time all visitors are to use the front of the church.
- 5. At the end of a visit each person should sanitise the pew section which they occupied / touched during their visit (Pew sanitisers will be available).

It is up to all who attend to police these rules, primarily by observing them themselves, but also by encouraging others to do likewise.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Readings for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st: Liviticus 13: 1-2,44-46 **Psalm:** 31 *R/* You are my refuge, O Lord; You fill me with the joy of salvation.

2nd: 1 Corinthians 10: 31–11: 1

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: Mark 1: 29-39

PARISH LENTEN EVENTS

Ash Wednesday — blessed ashes may be collected from the Church after Mass on weekdays up to 3.00pm until Shrove Tuesday. These ashes can be used during the online Mass on Ash Wednesday in the your own home. Alternatively, you can use earth, ashes or holy water from your own house.

Don'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR:

Fr. Frank's weekly spiritual reading circle. 'The Case for Christ' by Lee Strobel, (A journalist's personal Investigation of the Evidence for Jesus) will serve as the basis for discussion in weekly Zoom meetings—**Thursday evenings of lent at 7:30pm**, commencing the 18th of February.

This book explores the historicity of Jesus Christ and what we can know with certainty about his life, death and resurrection. The book, costing €8-€10, can be purchased online or in book stores.

Máirín's weekly reflection on the Word of God

which will take place on each Wednesday of Lent on Zoom , starting on Ash **Wednesday at 11.00 am to 12 noon.** It is an ancient Christian practice of prayer and scriptural reading and will be based on the forthcoming Sunday gospel each week. **Please register with (mairin.keegan@dublindiocese.ie) before Ash Wednesday for both meetings.**

OTHER LENTEN EVENTS



Feb. 13th: Beyond worry Living the Serenity Prayer -Michelle
 Russell Feb. 20th: The Invitation Christine Halloran Feb. 27th: "When
 the doors were locked, Jesus came

and said 'Peace be with you.'" (Jn 20:19) - Grainne Doherty To get the Zoom link email: SFXgardinerstreet@outlook.com

LET'S LIVE LENT: BRINGING THE LENTEN GOSPELS TO LIFE Join us for Pastoral Conversations - **5 Tuesdays at 8pm** Feb 16th: Let it Go Feb. 23rd: Would you listen to him? March 2nd: Songs of the Sanctuary March 9th: Into the Light March 16th: Seeds of Hope

To book email lisia.cashen@dublindiocese.ie

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Caring for our Common Home as Brothers and Sisters

When we fail to acknowledge as part of reality the worth of a poor person...it becomes difficult to hear the cry of nature itself. (Pope Francis, Laudato Si')



The COVID crisis is bringing global inequality into sharp focus, **BUT** organisations like Trócaire are receiving funding from Irish Aid to support its health programs. To take just one example, Trócaire is currently the only healthcare provider in an area of Somalia the size of Ireland. For more see: https://www.trocaire.org/ourwork/trocaire-responding-to-covid-19/



Afri (Action from Ireland) promotes global justice and peace and is closely associated with the Christian Spirituality Centre at Solas Bhríde (Saint Brigid's Light) in Kildare.

They offer a 2021 Calendar with advice on how we can work toward a more sustainable world. You can learn more about Afri at https://www.afri.ie/



ACCORD

Accord Dublin's Annual Collection will take place this weekend. You can donate Online at www.accorddublin.ie By post to Accord

Dublin, Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3. By bank transfer to ACCORD Dublin Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG, Bank of Ireland, 88 Lower Camden Street, Dublin 2. IBAN: IE27 BOFI 9001 1357 0742 03 BIC:BOFIIE2D.



We remember our recently deceased

is not to die

Children's Corner

In the Gospel this week A man suffering from a terrible illness called leprosy asks Jesus to heal him. Jesus stretches out his hand and says "be healed". Straight away, the leprosy is cured! Jesus tells the man not to tell anyone, but the man is so excited that he tells everyone—so lots of people hurry from all around to be healed by Jesus.



Help us to be kind and thoughtful like him, especially helping people who are sick or in need. Amen.

Faithfest is back!! Join us online for an evening of games, music, workshop, chats & prayer - 5 March from 6:30-8.30. Register at: <u>https://forms.gle/DwKDsXCuTornHFYA8</u>. More information from: faithfest@dublindiocese.ie *****

YCD Connected – Bringing Young People Together Young Church Dublin invite you to join our connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's). We meet online every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm for some time of fellowship, reflection on Scripture and prayer together. It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith. For more information, email: kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie

Intentions	13th/14th February
7pm	Francis Owens Una O'Brien MM Fr. John Casey MM
10.30am	Mary Hehir Patrick Kelly Fr John Casey MM