

# St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

## The Assumption of Our Lady—15th August 2021



### CURRENT MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday—Friday** Mass at 10.00am  
preceded by the Rosary at 9.35am

The church will open at 9.30am and close at 3pm for sanitising

### Masses for Sunday

**Vigil Mass** at 7.00pm (Sat),

**Day Mass** at 10.30am\* and 12 noon (Sun)

### OTHER CHURCH SERVICES

#### First Communion and Confirmation

will take place for all schools in the parish in September

**Baptisms**— bookings now being taken for dates from late October onwards

**Weddings** — A maximum of 100 people

**Funerals**— A maximum of 50 people

All services available on

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

\*also available on Phoenix Radio—92.5FM

#### Confession

Anyone who wishes to receive confession should approach one of the priests after Mass.

#### Remember

All Government Health guidelines apply when attending Mass—Sanitising, Social Distancing and wearing masks. We thank you for your cooperation and apologise for any inconvenience

Many thanks for the great response from parishioners who were asked this year to complete a CHY Certificate for the Scheme of Tax Refund for Donations to Charities. (Parishioners who signed CHY3 enduring certificates within the last 5 years have also been included in this year's applications for tax refunds). The monies received from this scheme are an invaluable asset to the ongoing running costs of the parish, especially in these extraordinary times.

### Readings for 15th August 2021

**1st:** Apocalypse 11: 19, 12: 1-6, 10

**Psalm: 33** R/ On your right hand stands the queen in garments of gold.

**2nd:** 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
Mary has been taken up into heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 1: 39-56



Fr. Cyril will say his final Masses in St. Brigid's next weekend (21st/22nd). A sad occasion as he will be missed by all. But also a time to reflect on his achievements in the parish over the last 9 years.

### A POEM FOR....

## Today

*Mary Oliver*

Today I'm flying low and I'm  
not saying a word.

I'm letting all of the voodoo of ambition  
sleep.

The world goes on as it must,  
the bees in the garden rumbling a little,  
the fish leaping, the gnats getting eaten.  
And so forth.

But I'm taking the day off.

Quiet as a feather.

I hardly move though really I'm traveling  
a terrific distance.

Stillness. One of the doors  
into the temple.

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# Diocesan News

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Closing date: Friday 27 August 2021.



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## Families Walking Together in Hope

'Our goal is to celebrate moments of hope and joy in family life, with resources suitable for learning, living and leading faith that are complementary to the way family is lived today.'

Join us for the launch of the year of 'Families Walking Together in Hope' on 25 August 2021, Pro-Cathedral.

Further information [www.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.dublindiocese.ie)



**PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AS AN ADULT** Pathways is a two-year, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings run by the Archdiocese of Dublin in DCU, St. Patrick's, Drumcondra Road, late September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m). Application now open for September 2021. Contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 018087594 or [paths@archdiocese.ie](mailto:paths@archdiocese.ie). Web: [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie)

**PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS** - Archbishop Farrell is asking for people and priests to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life on a regular basis. As you are well aware, the need is great, so let's answer God's call and "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest"

# Children's Corner

## THANK YOU!

Mary is going to see her cousin, Elizabeth. Can you help her find her way?



Bringing joy!

Mary's baby, Jesus, brings joy to the world.

How will you bring joy to the world this week?



Draw yourself inside the "O" doing something to spread happiness!

### Thank you God!

Use the picture clues and fill in the missing letters to find some things we can say "thank you" for.



### In the Gospel this week

When Mary find out she is pregnant, she goes to visit her cousin, Elizabeth. While she is there, Mary gives a prayer of thanks to God for the baby she is expecting - Jesus!

### A Prayer to say

Dear Jesus, I love you and, like Mary, I am so happy that you came to us. Be with me today and always. Amen.

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## Intentions 14th/15th August

Sat 7pm	Con Hegarty Kevin O'Brien Jarlath, Sean, Martin and Jacinta Divilly
Sun. 10.30am	John Canning MM
12 noon	Michael O'Toole MM Ronan Fahy

FIT Pre-Tech Apprenticeship and FIT Advanced Manufacturing starting soon in Dunshaughlin. Fully funded with hands on practice, 39 weeks full-time. If interested, please contact [0879097605/rosemarybrady@fit.ie](mailto:0879097605/rosemarybrady@fit.ie) for more details.

We remember our recently deceased

**Kay Egan**

**Brian O'Leary**



To live in hearts left behind  
is not to die