

# St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

## Feast of Christ the King—22nd November 2020



### Readings for the Feast of Christ the King

#### First Reading:

Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17

Psalm: Ps. 22

#### Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Matthew 25: 31-46

### \*\*\*Current Arrangements\*\*\*

for **Level 5** of the **Living with Covid-19 plan**

**Masses & services available on the webcam**

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

**Monday to Friday Mass** 10.00am

church open for private prayer after Mass until 3pm

**Saturday Vigil Mass** at 7.00pm

**Sunday Mass** at 10.30am\*

\*also broadcast on Phoenix FM— 92.5Mhz

#### HOLY HOUR

Join us on Tuesdays 4pm-5pm for Music, Silence and Reflections.

A time out to rest with the Lord.



Office Open 9.30am—1pm. Monday—Friday  
Sacristy open for a short period after each Mass

### Advent online preparation Courses

#### Priory Retreat: Reflecting on the Gospels of Advent

We are taking registrations now for our Advent Retreat. It's a series of filmed reflections on the Sunday gospel readings of Advent. The cost of the retreat (subsidised) is €40. Register online by Friday, November 27 at:

<https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2020-advent->

### Also in the parish.....

#### Rosary Novena—with Fr. Frank Drescher

“Meditating on the Mysteries of Salvation” begins this Saturday, 21st November, and continues each day at 3pm.



This Sunday (22nd) we'll be demonstrating the making of our Advent Wreath on Zoom at 11.30am. If you would like to join us for this, email [mairin.keegan@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:mairin.keegan@dublindiocese.ie) and she will email you with all the details. We hope to

record this demonstration so if you miss it for any reason you can email Máirín and she'll send the recording on to you. Hope to see you there!

Keep yourself informed on Irish and international church matters—copies of the **Irish Catholic** weekly newspaper are available in the Pastoral Centre—price €2.

Envelopes for the **Altar List of the Dead** are available in the church or Pastoral Centre.

TARSUS SCRIPTURE SCHOOL

**RESILIENT FAITH:  
Advent spirituality  
for a time of pandemic**

*Praying the Psalms in Advent:*  
Honest prayers when life is hard  
Jessie Rogers

*Reading Mark in Advent:*  
Wakefulness in Winter as We Attend to the Gift  
Sean Goan

*Learning from Paul:*  
Holding on to the word of life (Phil 2:16)  
Kieran O'Mahony

Programme  
6 presentations (two from each presenter)  
Available on Vimeo from 23 November  
A online Webinar 10 November

Cost: €20 per household

For further information and registration go to the website

[WWW.TARSUS.IE](http://WWW.TARSUS.IE)

## PRAYER OF HOPE

*Keep us, good Lord,*

**Under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress**

**In this time of anxiety, give us strength  
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,  
and to assure the isolated  
of our love, and your love,  
for your name's sake.**

**Amen**

**YCD Connected Group** The Young Church Dublin have started a connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's) to gather online. We meet every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm. We will have time of catch up, reflection on Scripture, chat in small discussion groups and enjoy time in prayer together. If you would like to join us email: [st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie)

### Maynooth University and the Alzheimer Society of Ireland need your help!

In Ireland, many people with dementia move to nursing home care. We want to understand the impact of this move on the partners of these people. We know that this can be a difficult time, and we want to learn more about it so that we can help to support you and others like you. If you have had a spouse or partner with dementia move to a nursing home in the past 1-5 years and are willing to chat to us (in person, via videoconferencing, or on the phone) about your experiences, particularly when it comes to loneliness, Please either email us at: [Joanna.McHughPower@mu.ie](mailto:Joanna.McHughPower@mu.ie)

*Many, many thanks to all who continue to contribute so generously to the Family Offering Collection and the Sunday Mass Collections; we really appreciate your support in these anxious and challenging times. We are glad to see a number of you contributing through the donate button on our parish website: [www.blanchardstownparish.ie](http://www.blanchardstownparish.ie)*



### Baptisms

In line with current restrictions, we cannot hold baptisms while we are above Level 2 of the Government's Living with Covid plan. Baptisms will be rescheduled when the restrictions are lifted.

Intentions	22nd November
7pm	Tony Dunne
10.30am	Harry Quinlan Pat Carr Herbie Breadon

## Children's Corner

### LOOK AFTER EACH OTHER

Spot the five differences between these sheep.



### Sheep or goat?

Here are some clues which describe sheep and goats.

Can you tell which is which?



My coat is woolly, my tail hangs down, my young are called lambs, and a shepherd looks after me.  
I am a \_\_\_\_\_

My coat is hairy, my tail sticks up, my young are called kids, and a goatherd looks after me.  
I am a \_\_\_\_\_

Try to draw each one on the back of the sheet!

### Kind or not?

Jesus said that people are like sheep and goats; some are kind and some are not.



Follow the hoof prints to see if this child is a sheep or a goat.

**In the Gospel** Jesus says that whenever we are kind another person we are being kind to him.

**A prayer to say** Father God, you are so good to us. Help us to be as kind as we can be to all the people we meet every day. Amen.

**Something to do** Think of someone who might need help at this time and be kind to them—maybe an elderly relative or neighbour who might need some shopping.

### Covid-19 Helpline Numbers

**The Irish Hospice Foundation - bereavement Support Line**  
freephone 1800 70 77 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday

**Alone COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

7 days a week, 8am - 8pm. Call 0818 222 024.

**Accord – support line** : 10 am-1 pm Mon-Fri 9059555

**Crosscare** Blanchardstown 01-8219892

**AgeAction**

**Supporting Older People**

Check their website for information on supports at this time [www.ageaction.ie](http://www.ageaction.ie)



We remember our recently deceased

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



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