

St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time—23rd August 2020

How rich are the depths of God

ROMANS 11:33



Readings for 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 22: 19-23

Psalm: 137: 1-3, 6, 8

Second Reading: Romans 11: 33-36

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom and cured all kinds of sickness among the people. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-20

Current Arrangements

- Monday to Friday – Mass at **10am**—the church opens at 9.30am and close at 3pm for sanitisation
- Saturday – Vigil Mass—**7pm** (No morning Mass)
- Sunday – Mass at **10.30, 12 & 7pm** (No 9am Mass). Church will close for sanitisation after each Mass. Seating is clearly marked.

A maximum of 50 people is permissible in both the church & the extension. We apologise that we have had to close the doors when some Masses (10.30 & 12 noon) reached capacity on occasion and we thank you for your support and patience. There is still plenty of room at the evening and weekday Masses.

All Masses available on the webcam

Monday to Friday Mass 10.00am

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7.00pm

Sunday Mass at 10.30am*, 12 noon & 7.00pm

*also broadcast on Phoenix FM— 92.5Mhz

HOLY HOUR - Join us on Tuesdays 4pm

www.blanchardstownparish.ie/our-parish/webcam



Charismatic Prayer Meeting returns this Tuesday at 8pm in the extension.

Eucharistic Adoration has been resumed on Tuesdays and Fridays - after Mass until 3pm

SOME GOOD NEWS!

ORDINATION TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE



Michael O'Connor, together with Victor Garvin, will be ordained in the Church of The Holy Family, Aughrim St. on 27th Aug at 7:00pm.

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, attendance will be very limited and strictly by invitation only, but anyone who wants to participate can do so via webcam—<https://churchmedia.ie/church-of-the-holy-family-aughrim-street-dublin-7/>

Michael will be in his ministry at the 12 Mass on Sunday 30th August.

.....and more **GOOD NEWS!**

 **Blanchardstown Village Tidy Towns**



As part of their campaign to enhance the beauty of our village and surrounding areas Blanchardstown Village and Tidy Towns have done tremendous work tidying, painting, replanting and hanging baskets in the village over the last weeks.

They propose to include our church, as one of the few heritage buildings remaining in Blanchardstown and a focal point in the village, in the works program. Their proposals include, cleaning and painting the entrance gates, general tidying of the grounds and car park, removing any overgrown bushes, weeds or intrusive canopy of trees, some flower bed planting and the possibility of providing an area of biodiversity planting/wildflowers. You may have already seen them at work last weekend clearing out the dumped rubbish from the area behind Fr. Cyril's house.

We would like to thank them for their generosity of spirit, and for their time and energy. If you would like to help out with the work around the church or any of their other projects check them out on Facebook—www.facebook.com/BlanchardstownVillage They normally meet on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 and Saturday mornings at 10.30.

...and some very

SAD NEWS!

We are all shocked and saddened by the news of the unexpected death of Kathleen our ex sacristan. Kathleen was part of the fabric of Blanchardstown Village & Parish where she had a welcome smile, a helping hand and a kind word (and maybe a few) for everyone. As a self-styled tea lady in the Pastoral centre she



helped anyone she could and entertained all who came with-in her orbit with her many memories and stories. She is pictured here a few years ago with Dermot Gannon, when he refurbished the Jubilee Room for use as a meditation space. Dermot died on 13th April this year. Though they have reached their final destination and are no doubt enjoying their well earned rest and reward (and a chat to catch Dermot up on the news) they are, and will, both be sadly missed. Phoenix Radio (92.5FM) are rebroadcasting their interview 'Getting to know you' with Kathleen this Sunday at 6pm

You can now donate to the Sunday Mass 1st and 2nd Collections directly on our parish website—
www.blanchardstownparish.ie

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

Covid-19 Helpline Numbers

The Irish Hospice Foundation - bereavement Support Line

freephone **1800 70 77** 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday

Fingal Community Response 7 days a week 8am to 8pm.

Freephone: **1-890-459-059** Ph: **01-890-5000**

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**

Supporting Older People

AgeAction

Check their website for information on supports at this time www.ageaction.ie



THE SANCTUARY

Check out www.sanctuary.ie for online weekly meditations and courses

| Intentions | 22nd/23rd August |
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| Sat. 7pm | Vera O'Donohoe MM Michael Brady MM |
| 10.30am | Jerome Santry A |
| 12 noon | Vronislava Bertuliene (end of life) |



Fr. Mangan: 8213660 Fr. Casey: 8213716 Fr. Zuribo: 5485038 Jim Adams (Deacon) 0862232411
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Children's Corner

In the Gospel Jesus asks his friends who they think he is. Peter says: you are the Son of God. Jesus replies by telling Peter that he has been chosen to help build Jesus' Church on earth and that he will give him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

YOU ARE A ROCK!

Coded message



We are the Church!

We are all part of Jesus' Church. Fill in the faces of your Church family.

Turn these faces into you, your family and friends by adding colour, freckles, glasses and smiles!



A prayer to say Dear Jesus, thank you for my Church family. I will keep building your Church on earth. Amen

Please Welcome our recently baptised



*Cian, Odhrán,
Alannah and Emme*

Our Baptism schedule has resumed and we welcome all our new babies to the faith community. Please note, in line with current restrictions, and as there is a large number of baptisms to be rescheduled, there is a limit

We remember our recently deceased



**Kay Hurley
Teresa Flynn
Kathleen Somers**

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