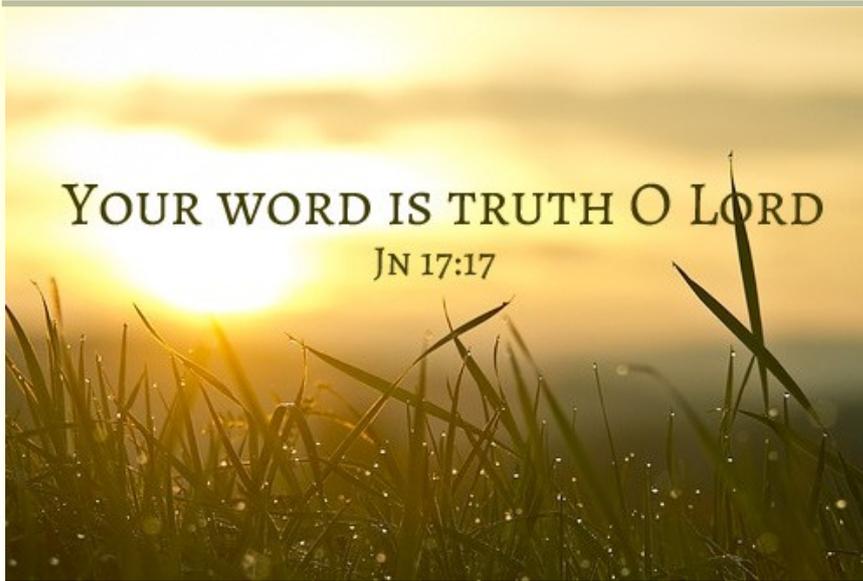


St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time—26th September 2021



Readings for 26th September 2021

1st: Numbers 11: 25-29

Psalm: 18 **R/** The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart

2nd: James 5: 1-6

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

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World Day of Migrants & Refugees

Pope Francis in his Message for Migrant

Sunday 2021 writes: Among those dwelling in those existential peripheries, we find many migrants and refugees, displaced persons and victims of trafficking, to whom the Lord wants his love to be manifested and his salvation preached.

To achieve this ideal, however, we must make every effort to break down the walls that separate us and, in acknowledging our profound interconnection, build bridges that foster a culture of encounter. Today's migration movements offer an opportunity for us to overcome our fears and let ourselves be enriched by the diversity of each person's gifts. Then, if we so desire, we can transform borders into privileged places of encounter, where the miracle of an ever wider "we" can come about.

We can make our own his prayer:

Holy, beloved Father,
your Son Jesus taught us
that there is great rejoicing in heaven
whenever someone lost is found,
whenever someone excluded, rejected or discarded is gathered into our "we",
which thus becomes ever wider.

We ask you to grant the followers of Jesus,
and all people of good will,
the grace to do your will on earth.
Bless each act of welcome and outreach
that draws those in exile
into the "we" of community and of the Church,
so that our earth may truly become
what you yourself created it to be:
the common home of all our brothers and sisters.
Amen.

Donal Neary SJ (Editor Sacred Heart messenger).

CURRENT MASS SCHEDULE— 50% CAPACITY ALLOWED

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* & 12 noon (Sun)

OTHER CHURCH SERVICES

Baptisms— bookings now being taken—unfortunately we are booked up until the end of November.

Confirmations—are taking place at 1pm on Mon. 27th to Thurs. 30th.
Please Note: The church will be closed for these services from 12 noon until 2pm

Weddings — 50% capacity

Funerals— 50% capacity

All services available on

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.

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



Congratulations to all the children who received their First Holy Communion during the last week or so. We pray that the Lord Jesus will continue to help them be good, kind and helpful to their families, their friends and all those who need a little help every now and then.

We also remember, in our prayers, all our young people preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this coming week. We wish them every blessing for their long-awaited special day.



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St. Brigid's Parish

Season of Creation

September 1st – October 4th

The global Christian family is called to awaken to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other.

What we can do :

- Spend some time outside each day, in awareness, reconnect with nature. Pray in and with nature. Go for a walk.
- Avoid or reduce the use of chemicals in your home & garden
- Use (vinegar, baking soda) and buy eco-friendly cleaners
- Shop wisely—buy locally made products when possible.
- Avoid waste—Reduce, reuse, recycle, recover, treat
- Consider installing water butts in your gardens
- Plant pollinator friendly plants in your window box or garden
- Save energy—switch off when possible, share transport
- Be kind to ourselves and to others



Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the Crosscare Appeal last week-end

We welcome our recently Baptised

**Adam, Casey, Cian,
Cillian and Chloe**



We remember our recently deceased



**Stephanie Leslie
Willie Ryan
Fergus Flynn**

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

Intentions

25th/26th September

Sat 7pm

Caitriona Farrell
Carmel & Mary Farmer

Sun.
10.30am

Bart O'Brien
Annie Dooley
Betty Smyth
Bill Murphy

12 noon

Billy O'Dwyer
Eddie Richardson

Children's Corner

In the Gospel this week Jesus' friends are worried about someone who is doing miracles in Jesus' name, but who isn't part of their group. But Jesus is not worried at all! Anyone who is helping others is doing what God wants. The Holy Spirit works through all people who are kind and helpful.

What good can I do?

Jesus asks us to do good deeds today. Can you fill in the missing letters to find out the good things you can do?

___ p (elh) your friends.

__ d _ (lyt) your room.

S_ a _ e (rh) your toys.

L_ _ t_ n (ies) to your parents.

Helping hands

I can use my... ___ s to l ___ e (ntsi) when my

friend is sad, ___ s to ___ (ghu) him or her

better, ___ to ___ (ese) when someone

needs help, ___ to ___ (rnu) to help.

A Prayer to say Dear Jesus, help me to show other people that you are my friend by trying to treat other people in the way I know you would. Help me to be kind and helpful. Amen.

Peter McVerry Trust

FORTS & CASTLES

Get creative and build a fort or castle to support Peter McVerry Trust.

Enter your fort or castle before Sunday 3rd October to win one of our amazing individual or group prizes!

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SUNDAY 10TH OCTOBER

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