St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time-27th October 2019

GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME, A SINNER. Luke 18:13

Some readers of today's Gospel dismiss the Pharisee as hypocritical and sanctimonious, and in turn identify with the tax collector, the repentant, humble, and justified sinner. ... However, if we choose to identify with the tax collector **and** denounce the Pharisee, are we not just reversing the thinking, concluding in effect, "God, I thank you that I am not like this Pharisee ...". Are we becoming self-righteous ourselves—the very attitude we condemn. In the real world, there's something of both the Pharisee and the Taxpayer in us all, to be honest.

If we are to be humble, we need to be honest in our appraisal of ourselves, affirming the good and courageously recognising our faults.

Annual Mass of Remembrance Thursday Nov.7th @ 7.30pm If you wish to have a relative/friend whose funeral was celebrated outside the parish included in the Mass, please leave the name/s in the sacristy

Our Parish Assembly was very well attended— thanks to all who came along on the evening. There was a



real positive feeling of a community working together and of course there was great chat! Patricia Carroll, our facilitator, helped us to focus on two questions and the responses to those questions will be reflected on by the Parish Pastoral Council to inform their pastoral plan for the future. If you were unable to attend but would like to contribute, we would ask you to take a few moments to reflect on the following two questions.

 What would you like to celebrate about the parish? What works well?
What would you like to see developed or improved?
You can email your thoughts to StBrigidsPPC@gmail.com before Monday the 4th of November so they can be added to the input from our evening.

Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday and Fridays Commences after the 10am Mass & Rosary. Continues until church closing (app. 8pm)

Divine Mercy Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 7.15 in the Fr. Dungan Room



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Parking in Castleknock: Disabled/elderly parking **only** at the church.

Barnardos are seeking adult volunteers, aged 55 years and older, who have lots of life experience and an enjoyment of reading, for their volunteer reading programme for primary schools based in Finglas, Dublin 11. For more information please contact Suzanne, Barnardos Volunteer Service, on 01 7080431 / 086 8570112 or email volunteers@barnardos.ie

READERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Sat. 7pm: Gwen Cruise Sun 9am: Sheila Gouldson 10.30am: Maria Fernandez 12noon: Carla Salvaleon 7pm: Kathleen Brennan

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Intentions

The Encounter: Information Night: Would you like to be a part of The Encounter Community? Join other young adults (20's & 30's) for monthly reflective meetings in St Paul's Church. The Encounter Community will include prayer, catechesis, social justice initiatives, fellowship and much more. Our next meeting will take place on Thurs. 7th Nov. at 8.00pm in St Paul's Church, Arran Quay.

Our next Social Encounter—a night of live acoustic music and reflective prayer, with guest speaker on life, faith and purpose; followed by pizza and refreshments, is on Fri. 15th Nov. at 8pm. We are delighted to announce that Piano man - Tom Conroy will be our Musician and Natalie Doherty will be our guest speaker for the night. For more information on either event: email <u>st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie</u> **OR** follow us on Instagram @theyoungchurchdublin



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS continue Tuesday 5th Nov @ 8 pm

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7th October		2nd/3rd November
y & Joseph McGregor k Lawless		Patrick Herlihy

Sat. 7pm	Margaret, Patsy & Joseph McGregor Jack Lawless May & Christy Somers	Patrick Herlihy
Sun. 9am	Nancy & Dinny Flanagan	Desmond McDermott Thomas Gibbons
10.30am	Bernard & Kathleen Hall Joan Mullen	Joe & Mary Santry Angela Hyland Margaret, John & Harry Webster
12 noon	Pat & Peter Ganter Aurora Santos	William & Elizabet O'Brien Paddy & Sheila Scully
7pm	-	-

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