



St Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Sunday 28th December 2025



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday 28th December: 10.30am
 Monday 29th December: 7.30pm
 Tuesday 30th December: 10.00am
 Wednesday 31st December: Liturgy of the Word 10.00am
 Thursday 1st January: 11.00am
 Friday 2nd January: 10.00am
 Normal Mass Schedule resumes
 1st Saturday of the month followed by confessions.
 Saturday 3rd January—10am and 7.30pm vigil
 All services available on www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam
 Also on Phoenix Radio—92.5FM
 Eucharistic Adoration: Tue & Fri 10.30am-5pm

Blanchardstown Area evening Mass 7.30pm
 Mon: Blanchardstown
 Tues & Thurs: Castleknock
 Wed: Mulhuddart
 Fri: Corduff

There will be Eucharistic Adoration on
 Tuesday 30th December and Friday 2nd
 January after 10am mass until 1pm.

Happy New Year! On behalf of myself,
 the Parish Team and the Parish Pastoral
 Council, I'd like to wish the parishioners of
 St. Brigid's Blanchardstown a peaceful and
 Happy New Year. Fr John



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A New Year's Blessing

Lord, at the beginning of this New Year, we thank you for your gift of time. Let us embrace time as Mary did, as the experience of the unfolding of your plan of salvation. We measure time with calendars and watches.

You experience it as an ever-present "now."

Bless our ordered lists of weeks and months, of holydays and holidays, of feast and fasts, and all our special days of remembering.

Please bless these instruments with which we measure time.

Let them remind us that you are the master of time as we dedicate this New Year to you. Lord, bless this New Year, each of its days and nights.

Bless us with happy seasons and healthy lives.

Lord, we thank you for the gift of 2026. Grant that it will be a year of love and peace.

Amen

New Year's Resolutions



New Year's resolutions are too often made simply as fodder for jokes with the assumption that they won't last.

Our celebration of the Christmas Mystery, however, asks of us a response that is more than a half-hearted resolution. We cannot afford to take lightly our encounter with this mystery and its power to make a real difference to how we live. After their marvellous encounter with the newborn Saviour lying in a manger, the shepherds returned to the ordinariness of their lives. Yet they were not the same. These scruffy shepherds had become messengers of the in-breaking of God's salvation.

When we come to the end of this year's celebration of the Christmas mystery, we will return to the ordinariness of our lives. How will we have been changed? What message will we proclaim to others during the rest of the year?

(Source: Living Liturgy)

CHILDREN'S CORNER: in the Gospel today...

The Holy Family are in danger from King Herod, but God sends an angel to warn Joseph. They leave in the middle of night and escape to Egypt.

Refugees

Sometimes people today have to leave their homes in a hurry because they are not safe. They are called refugees. Refugees need the same things Jesus did. Can you find some of the things refugees need in the word search?

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H	O	M	E	X	P
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L	O	V	E	W	A
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R	E	T	A	W	Z



SAFETY

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WATER

FOOD

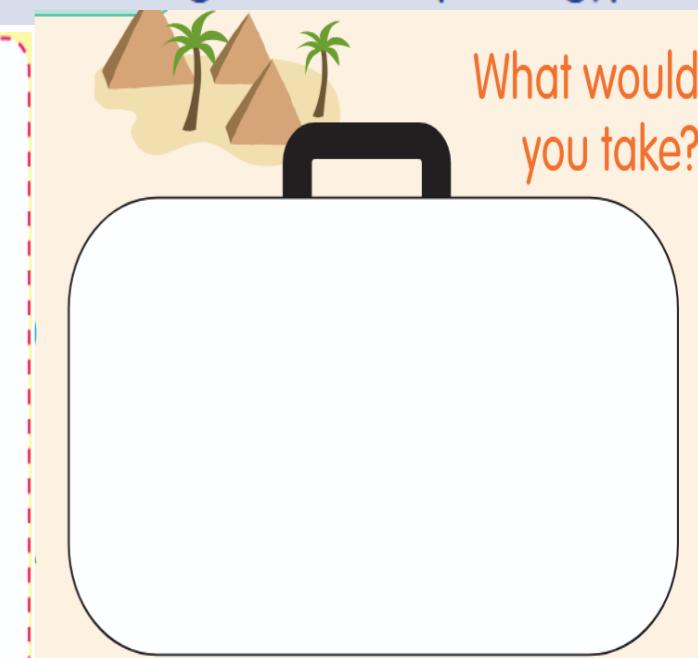
PEACE

LOVE

HOPE

HOME

CARE



Imagine you have to leave your home in a hurry. Draw the three most important things you would take with you in this suitcase.

Thank you, Jesus, that I am safe. I am so happy that you got to safety in Egypt. Please help anyone who has to leave their home because they are in danger. Amen.

Maze

Tell the story by drawing a line to the right place.

Joseph had a
 Jesus was in great
 They all escaped to
 Joseph kept his family

Egypt
 safe
 dream
 danger

Mass intentions for the week

Sun	Hannah Kennedy	Daniel Corr
Tues	Mary Daly (birthday remembrance)	Brigid Heskin

**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS
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AND NEW YEAR**



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Aware Freephone 1800 804 848 10am -10pm daily

Childline Freephone 1800 666 666 or live chat online

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Message for World Day of Peace 2026

"Peace be with you all. Towards an unarmed and disarming peace" is the theme of Pope Leo XIV's Message for the World Day of Peace 2026 which will be celebrated on January 1, 2026. The Holy Father invites everyone to welcome peace and become witnesses to it because it "exists; it wants to dwell within us."