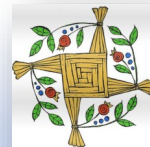




St Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. Sunday 18th January 2026



ALL THE EARTH SHALL
BOW DOWN BEFORE
YOU, O GOD PS 65:4



Catholic Schools Week 2026

Catholic Schools: Normal Lives, Called to Holiness

Catholic Schools Week 2026 begins on January 18th. This is a week to celebrate and acknowledge the wonderful contribution that our Primary Catholic schools, both primary and post-primary, make to the mission of the Church in our local faith communities and throughout the wider Church. The theme of Catholic Schools Week 2026 is Normal Lives, Called to Holiness. Catholic Schools Week Resources are available for download at www.catholicschools.ie.

CURRENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:

Mass at 10am preceded by the Rosary at 9.30am, Church closes at 4pm

Monday: Area Mass at 7.30pm preceded by Rosary and Novena at 7pm

Wednesday: Liturgy of the Word at 10am

Saturday: Church opens at 10am
Vigil Mass at 6pm

Sunday Mass at 10.30am

1st Saturday of the month – 10am Mass followed by confessions.

Last Tuesday of the month

Prayer Group Mass at 8pm, all welcome
Bank Holiday: Mass 11am only, no evening mass. Church closes at 2pm.

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

A selection of Mass Cards are available for sale from the office & sacristy, including Mass Bouquet, Get Well and **St Brigid's Day cards**

Make your own St Brigid's Cross!

We will be hosting workshops in the parish centre to learn how to make a St Brigid's cross on Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th January and Sunday 1st February after mass. In addition, we have made a video showing you how to make the cross. Follow this link to see the video. Good luck! <https://vimeo.com/502994316>.



Pick up a St Brigid's Cross for a donation. This year our donations will go to the Occupational Therapy Service in Connolly Hospital. Donations on the day, or follow this GoFundMe link:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/everest-20>

Parish Meetings this Month

Wednesday 21st: Baptism meeting for those parents whose children will be baptised in February. 7.30pm
Thursday 22nd: Confirmation Rite 2 meeting for candidates and their parents. 7pm

Thursday 22nd: PPC Meeting. 7.30pm

CSPS NEWSLETTER

The Child Safeguarding & Protection newsletter for January 2026 is now available at <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/csps/news/>

Family Mass— next Sunday 25th January is the last Sunday of January. The Family Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am.

NOTICE

For the months of January and February the Church will close at 4pm every day.



Next meeting Monday February 2nd at **11.30am**, All Welcome!



Celebrate St Brigid's Day with an evening of music led by some of Ireland's leading female artists. The evening features vocalists Shóna O'Sullivan and Leah Barniville, joined by acclaimed instrumentalists Denice Doyle (violin) and Aoife Burke (cello).

Date: Monday 2nd February 2026

Time: 6.30pm Doors, Show 7pm

Location: St. Brigid's Parish Church Extension

Tickets: €5, on sale in the office and online.

All monies raised will be donated to St Francis Hospice. Collection on the night for the Women's Refuge. Join us for a magical celebration of St Brigid through soul-stirring performances.



A new platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference has taken over from catholic-news.ie

Theway.ie is dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It offers a mix of 'news' and faith formation. Our goal is to help people to know the Way – to discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. Visit theway.ie for inspiring news articles and videos to inspire your faith journey.

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

John the Baptist knows that Jesus is very important. He tells everyone that Jesus is the special person he has been talking about. John sees that Jesus is the Son of God.



LAMB OF GOD!

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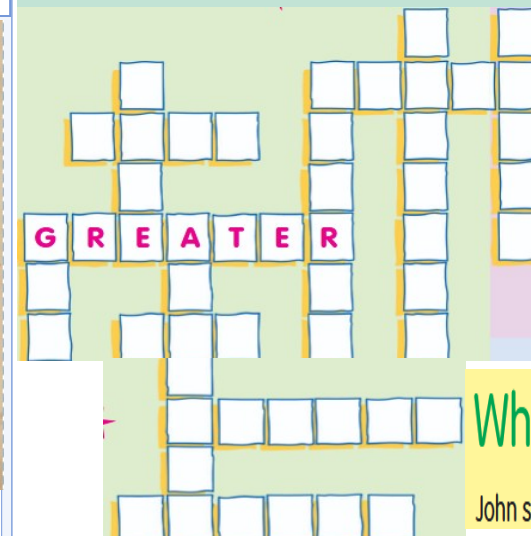
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5 letters JESUS, SHARE

6 letters FRIEND, SPIRIT, HUMBLE

7 letters GREATER, ANOTHER, BAPTIST



Who is Jesus?

John says Jesus is special. What does he call him?



HOLY SPIRIT YOU CAME DOWN ON JESUS WHEN HE WAS BEING BAPTISED. COME DOWN ON ME TOO. HELP ME TO BE AN EVEN BETTER FOLLOWER OF JESUS, AMEN

Christmas Dues Envelopes

Thank you to all who have returned their Christmas dues envelopes. If you did not receive a Christmas Dues envelope and would like to contribute to the Priests of the Parish and the Diocese, please take one from the tables in the Church.

Parish Volunteer Database

The Dublin Diocese requires that we update our existing parish volunteer register. In order that we have an up to date list of active volunteers in our parish, we will be asking each volunteer group to complete a confidential volunteer application form. We hope to complete this in the coming weeks. Our safeguarding representative, Aileen Connolly, will be in contact with each volunteer group with details and the forms. We would appreciate a prompt return of the forms to Jean in the parish office, thank you.

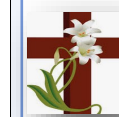


Child Safeguarding & Protection Service

Mass intentions for the week

Sat	Margaret Clarke (1st Anniv) Miriam Harkin Marion & Noel Heeney (50th wedding Anniv) Carol Cobbe (recently deceased)
Sun	Martin & Mary Lynch Johnny Molloy Thomas, Kevin & Peter McGovern Deceased members of the McGovern family
Thu	Margaret Delaney (1st Anniv)

We pray for our recently deceased
Margaret Kearney
Paul McCullough
Bridget (Bridie) Daly
Marie Creaby



Always loved, never forgotten

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