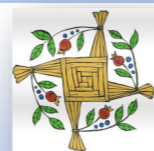




St Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown

The Ascension of the Lord. Sunday 17th May 2026



God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast
Psalms 46:6

CURRENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:

Mass at 10am preceded by the Rosary at 9.30am, **Church closes at 5pm**

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

Wednesday: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 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

St Brigid's Parish Mass Cards

For your convenience, we have a selection of signed Mass Cards for sale from the sacristy, including **exam** mass cards, birthday cards, First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards, mass bouquet and sympathy cards.



Family Mass at 10:30 AM. St Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown

Tea, Coffee, Buns, and Sandwiches.

Experience our Garden Bug Hotel being developed by TEENHOPE.

Reptile Experience & Garden Activities up until 2.30pm @ the Pastoral Centre.

Top Brass & Concert Bands with up to 400 musicians performing together in a finale! This FREE family event will take place in the grounds of Scoil Bhride after our Family Mass, from noon to 6pm in conjunction with our own Parish Day (11.30am-2.30pm). After the success of the Reptile show last year, we will have the show again this year! First Holy Communion and Confirmation children welcome to wear their outfits if they would like to.



Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes

3rd-8th September 2026.

The annual church gate collection towards the cost of assisted pilgrims on the Lourdes pilgrimage will take place after both masses next weekend 23rd/24th May.

Your continued support would be appreciated.

You are warmly invited to join in the annual Building Hope Novena to the Holy Spirit – a period of prayer, reflection and planning for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin.

Building Hope
Novena to the Holy Spirit
17th – 25th May 2026



The Novena will take place in the nine days from 17th – 25th May beginning on the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, through Pentecost and continuing to the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church.

During the Novena we will be praying the Novena Prayer at all masses. Please take a copy of the prayer from the tables in the church.

For further information: <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/novena-2026/>

Mulhuddart Cemetery Mass and Blessing of the Graves
Sunday 14th June at 3pm.

First Holy Communion

Saturday 23rd May, the children from Scoil Oilibhéir and Pelletstown Educate Together, will receive their 1st Holy Communion. Great work and preparation have been put in by the pupils and their teachers.

May the Lord continue to bless the children, their parents, families, teachers and all who form their circle of love.



CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY

Just like any home, our parish needs good housekeeping. For this very

purpose, the parish has a group of volunteers who keep the church clean and tidy - God's housekeepers! Each small team meets **once per month** in the church. The cleaning is followed by an optional cup of tea and a chat. We urgently need some new volunteers.

Please contact Jean in the Parish Office to leave your details.



CHILDREN'S CORNER... IN THE GOSPEL TODAY...

Before he goes to heaven, Jesus gives his friends a special job. They are to carry on his work and share God's love with everyone they meet. Jesus is going to be with them and help them always.

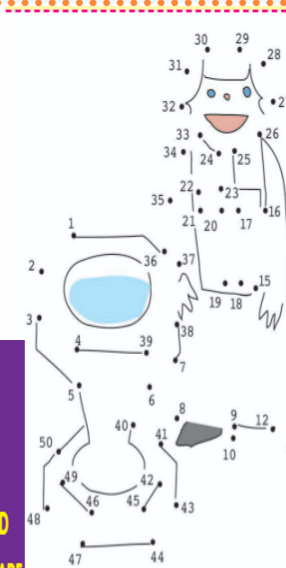
Our special job

Can you fit these words into the grid?



Clue: Look at the number of letters then count the spaces!

GO AND SHARE GOD'S LOVE



Dot to dot

Join the dots to find the picture.

This is a...

B _ _ _ _ **MAL (PASIT)**
F _ _ _ (TON)

Unjumble the letters to spell out the name of the object. Can you see one of these in your church?

A PRAYER TO SAY: Help me Jesus, to share your love by treating other people as I would like to be treated. Help me to be kind, Amen

St Brigid's Community Choir

will hold their summer concert on Wednesday 20th May at 7.30pm in the extension in aid of Croi Mháire. Please come along for a great FREE community event!!

Donations welcome on the night.



'Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist' is a series of short video-talks by Dr Brant Pitre in which he explains why the Church accepted the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist from the very beginning. **Monday 18th & 25th May at 7:30pm in St Mochta Parish Pastoral Centre** Admission is free; Contact Marian 087 295 8363

Teen Hope Leaders Training

offered in 3 locations.

Attendance at 3 sessions is compulsory.

Register now using the QR code!

Further details available from; **Natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie**

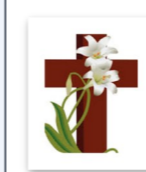


Saints in the Church's Calendar

Wednesday 20th—St Bernardine (1380-1444). He promoted devotion to the Holy Name and to St Joseph.

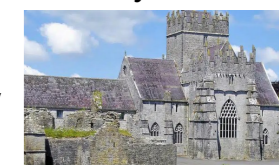
Friday 22nd—St Rita of Cascia (1386-1457). After her husband died, Rita entered the Augustinian convent and spent 40 years in prayer and charity, and working for peace.

"Be Strong In The Lord" - HLI Ireland 32 County Mission Event with relics of St Thérèse & The Holy Face. Wednesday 27th May, St Patrick's Church, Corduff, 7pm.



We pray for our recently deceased **PATRICK GIBNEY**
JACINTA (JESSIE) CALLAN
Always loved, never forgotten

Parish Annual Heritage Pilgrimage. Saturday 20th June. This year we are travelling by coach to Mount St Anne's Retreat Centre, Portarlinton, and Holy Cross Abbey, Thurles for a guided tour. Price includes morning coffee/scone and evening dinner in Portlaoise. A wonderful day ahead. Tickets €60 are on sale now!



Holy Cross Abbey offers a unique blend of history, art, and spirituality, making it an enriching experience for visitors. Discover the history, art, and folklore that make Holy Cross Abbey a treasure of Ireland's Ancient East! As well as inspecting the relic of the cross, you can marvel at the building's ornate stonework. The chancel is possibly the finest piece of fifteenth century architecture in Ireland. The abbey also houses one of the only surviving medieval wall paintings in the country.

Mass intentions for the week

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| Sat | Tom Hanley (M/M) Ann Harrison Paul Kirwan | Kathleen Geraghty Richard O'Connell Emmet O'Donoghue |
| Sun | Ted O'Callaghan (1st Anniv) Noel Healy John Lundy and his father Johnny Lundy John Donohoe Margaret-Anne and Thomas-Herbert Taylor | Seán Treacy Jack Raeside (1st Anniv) May Jones Dr Terence Maguire |
| Tue | Michael Stenson (recently deceased) | |
| Thu | Tony Keating & daughters Clare & Jane | |

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