

# St Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter Third Sunday of Lent - Sunday 23rd March 2025



### **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 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

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





Our parish garden is bursting with potential, but we need volunteers to bring it back to life! On two Saturdays—29th March and 5th April, from 11am to 4pm, we plan to dig the verge along the wall. Whether you are an experienced gardener or just happy to lend a hand, we welcome your energy as

we begin to dig. Please bring your own gardening tools if you have them. Come along, meet fellow parishioners and help us transform our garden into a blooming haven for everyone to enjoy. Every pair of hands count.

> Have we any garden designers or experts among us? Garden advice would be welcome!

Please add your name to the list in the church. Light lunch will be provided.

### **Confirmation Ceremonies**

The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for our parish schools begins this week. On Thursday 27th March at 11.30am, we will welcome the children from Scoil Bhríde Buachaillí agus Cailíní and on Friday 28th March at 11.30am we welcome Scoil Oilibhéir. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers



## Parish Education Outreach to Haiti

Last week, our total collected for our Lenten Project in support of the small school of 200 children in rural Haiti, reached €2800. More donations are continuing to arrive. The funds raised are providing school books, training for teachers and crop cultivation

for the school community. The school's founder, Lira Perrier, and his team of volunteer teachers are deeply grateful for the educational lifeline

which we are providing for the community they serve.

Thank you sincerely for all you have done thus far and please continue to contribute what you can—and spread the word to others! Donations can be made online on the

A Child without education is like

parish website and via the envelopes available in the church.

a bird without wings

Tibetan Proverb



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### **Corduff Healing Mass**

There will be a healing mass led by Fr. John Walsh (Limerick) this Friday 28th March at 7.30pm with adoration from 7pm in St Patrick's Church Corduff. All welcome!

Refreshments afterwards in the Pastoral Centre.

### Croi Mháire Foodbank

Please place non perishable foods in the basket on the altar. Thank you for your continuing generosity!

#### Children's Corner: In the Gospel Today

God is like a patient gardener. The gardener gives the fig tree more time to grow fruit. God gives us time to say sorry and try again whenever we do anything wrong. TIME TO GROW!

# Word search

Gardeners need special equipment to do their work. Find these:

> RAKE, TROWEL, **HOE, POTS**

NTRO

A Prayer to Say Thank you Jesus

for giving me all the time I need to grow to become even more caring

and loving like you. Amen Q S D F K O N M

## DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Saturday April 26 Workshops, walks, the Sacrament of the Sick and Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Farrell. To book, please give your details and a €10 deposit to Jean in the Parish Office. The bus will depart St Brigid's Church at 9.15am. Posters are on the noticeboard.

Next Sunday, 30th March at 10.30am, we will have our Family Mass. We extend a warm welcome to the children preparing for the sacraments. All are welcome.

NOTICE



# PARISH WORKS

We are currently having essential maintenance and cleaning works carried out in

the Church Gallery and especially the attic and spire area. The stairs to the gallery are closed. We would ask parishioners to be cautious around work vehicles etc. Please be patient if there is some extra noise during this period.

### Lourdes 2025

After the success of last years trip, we plan to travel as a parish again this year, 4th to 9th September 2025. Direct flights to and from Lourdes. Private coach transfer to / from hotel. For information and to book, please contact Jean in the Parish office.

Our Lady's Choral Society—'The Seven Last Words of Our Saviour: On the Cross'. RTÉ Concert orchestra. Adam and Eve's Church, Merchant's Quay. Saturday 12th April, 4-5pm. Tickets available from the venue or on Eventbrite.ie €22.50

## St Brigid's Parish Mass Cards

We have a selection of signed Mass Cards for sale from the sacristy. Sympathy cards, Mass Bouquet, Get Well, Christening, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Easter cards.

# Planned Giving / Family Offering

(This is our main source of income for the maintenance and development of the parish). Thank you to all who have collected their Planned Giving/Family Offering envelope boxes for the coming year and thanks to those who delivered them. If you didn't receive a box and would like one, please call in or contact the parish office. Standing order forms are also available around the Church if you would prefer to donate this way. You can complete this form and bring it to your bank or set it up through online banking. Contributions to the Family Offering can also be made through the *Donate button* on the

### **Parish Prayer Group Monthly Mass**

The monthly mass takes place on Tuesday 25th March at 8pm. All are welcome to attend.

### **Stations of the Cross**

will continue on each Friday morning at 9.30am in place of the rosary during Lent.

## Mass intentions for the week

Winifred Quane (MM) Conor McGrane Noreen & Maurice Hennessy Annie Hynes Niall Brooks

Margaret Delaney (MM) Sun James (Matty) Sheridan Jane Maher

parish website.

Patricia Nolan Patricia Lonergan

We pray for our recently deceased



Tommy McGregor Frances Duff Always loved, never forgotten

Jane Jones