



# *St. Brendan's Marist Parish*

*Coolock Village, Dublin 5*

*(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)*

*Sunday, 1st October 2017*

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
(Day For Life 2017)**



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**FIRST READING** Ezekiel 18:25-28  
Responsorial Psalm Ps 24: 4-9  
**SECOND READING** Philippians 2:1-11  
**GOSPEL** Matthew 21:28-32

## **Parish Mission Statement**

**“St Brendan’s is a caring Catholic Parish inspired by the Gospel, celebrating and working together to build a community of justice, love and peace.”**

## **PRIESTS OF THE PARISH**

*Fr. Edwin McCallion S.M.*

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**Live Streaming :**

**[www.churchservices.tv/coolock](http://www.churchservices.tv/coolock)**

**Office hours:**

**Tuesday – Friday 9.00 am – 11.30 am**

## **Sunday Mass Times**

**Saturday: 6.30 pm (vigil), Sunday: 9.30 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm, & 6.30 pm**

## Reflection on today's Readings

God loves us! Completely and without limits God loves us. God wants our salvation. God is not a God who wants us to suffer for sin but instead God wants to save us from all sin. What is our response?

The first reading today, from the Prophet Ezekiel, is so clear: God loves us and never wants to judge us. It is we ourselves who create problems but God is always ready to forgive. For so many people in the past and even today, God is seen as a God who judges us and might condemn us. This is an incredibly wrong image of God. God only loves us! If we are condemned, it is we ourselves who condemn ourselves. God is always there, ready to forgive us and to draw us to Himself. We must rethink our images of God. Any image of God which includes any attitude toward us that is not completely love, is simply a wrong image of God. Yes, in the Scriptures we heard of God being angry with us and we hear of God being upset with His people, but these are the images from the human side. Instead, the great Prophets and the great authors of Scripture always come back to this one reality: God loves us unconditionally.

The second reading today is from the Letter to the Philippians and is one of the most profound of passages in all of Scripture. Saint Paul begins by asking us: "humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others." The example he gives, however, is that of Jesus, who humbles Himself completely for love of us.

The Gospel of Matthew today is very short and to the point: do we truly seek to do God's will in our lives? The Gospel gives us two examples: the one son who says that he will not work but in the end does work. The other son who says he will work but in the end does not.

To follow Jesus is to seek to do all that He asks of us. No matter how many times we have said "no" to God, we still can change and seek God's will and God forgives us our faults. But if we are always saying good things and doing nothing, then we are not doing the will of God.

Today we stand in front of God. Who are we? Will we say "yes" to God and not do anything? Will we say "no" to God and yet in the end at least try? Let us walk in the way of the Lord.

Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland and England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to celebrating and upholding the dignity of human life from conception to natural death.

This year's Day for Life will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 1 October and will focus on the theme: 'Fostering a Culture that Protects Life and Respects Women'.

Copies of "Prayer to Mary, Mother of the Life Within" is available around the Church.

### **Safeguarding Meeting**

**An Information Evening  
will be held on  
Monday, 16th October  
at 7.30pm  
in the Parish Hall**

**FOR ALL PARISH  
MINISTRIES/VOLUNTEERS**

### **Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers**

**will be held on  
Wednesday, 11th October  
in the Parish Hall  
at 7.30pm**

**Among matters to be discussed  
will be Garda Vetting.**

**All Ministers are requested to  
attend**

**Sunday 1st October  
Twenty-Sixth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

6.30pm	William Corbett	A(1st)
vigil	Pauline (RD) & John Comiskey	A
9.30am	Kevin O'Reilly	A
11am	Brendan Byrne	RIP
	Annie Fitzsimons	A
	Jade Stone	A
	Michael Stone	A
12.30pm	Seamus Dunne	A(1st)
	Noel Rice	A
	Kay Kelly	RD
	(Requested by the neighbours of Beechlawn Grove)	
6.30pm	Clare O'Brien	A
	Margaret Plunkett	RD

**Mon., 2nd: Oct. The Guardian Angels**

8am	Anne (May) Redmond	RD
10am	Safety on Our Roads	

**Tuesday, 3rd October:**

8am	Kate Stanley	RD
10am	Marie Culley	RD

**Wed., 4th: St. Francis of Assisi**

8am	Marie Riordan	RD
10am	Annie Sammon	A

**Thursday, 5th October:**

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Fr. Brian Stenson	RD

**Friday, 6th October:**

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Deceased Members of the Foran Family	

**Saturday, 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary**

10am	Gabrielle Scully	RIP
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***The Extraordinary Minister of  
the Eucharist Rota for the month  
of October is now available  
on the shelf just outside the  
Sacristy door.***

**Sunday 8th October  
Twenty-Seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

6.30pm	Annie Redmond	RD
vigil	Marie Mullen	1st A
	Michael Deegan	A
	Geraldine & Carol Murtagh	A
	Gabrielle Scully	RIP
9.30am	Mary May	A
11am	Leo Rogers	A
12.30pm	Kay Kelly	MM
	William (Liam) Kelly	MM
	Denis Sheahan	MM
	Patricia Dillon	A(1st)
	Pauline Maloney	A
	Jimmy Reid	A
6.30pm	Jack Kelly	A

**The Triduum in honour of  
St. Thérèse**

Continues on Saturday, 30th at  
6.30pm and Sunday,  
1st October at 6.30pm

**Her Feast Day**

**Preacher: Donal Harrington**

A relic of **St. Thérèse** will be  
available on the 3 nights.  
Roses will also be blessed on  
the 3rd night.

***"Would you spend some time  
with me"***

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
takes place from after 12.30 pm Mass  
each Sunday, concluding with

***Rosary & Benediction at 5 pm.***

**Weekday Exposition**  
Mon. to Thurs. from 3pm to 5.30pm

The Family Envelope Collection  
**for last week**

**amounted to €1,285.00**

Thank you for your continued support towards the family offering. Thanks also to all who collected and counted the money.

### **Hospice Coffee Morning**

The amount donated to the Hospice Coffee Morning held in the Parish Centre recently amounted to

**€1,746.00**

which has been forwarded to St. Francis Hospice.

Many thanks for your generous support.

### **School of Irish Dancing Yvonne Harte T.C.R.G.**

Phone 0872735003

Each Tuesday at 4pm to 5.30pm

St. Brendan's Parish Centre  
Coolock Village

**Resumes 3rd October**

**\*\*\*New Dancers Welcome\*\*\***

Mercy Centre,  
St. Brendan's Drive  
Coolock, Dublin 5 D05 K7F1

Tel: 01 8487259

Email: [mercycoolock@eircom.net](mailto:mercycoolock@eircom.net)

**DANCE MEDITATION (4 sessions  
€35**

**or €10 per session)**

Experience the beauty, joy and peacefulness of dancing in a circle to inspiring music. Bring a friend

**Thurs. 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 7.30 – 9.30pm**  
**Barbara Perry chf**

**HEALING YOGA DAY  
(€35)**

Gentle movement, relaxation, breathing exercises, and meditation. Wear comfortable clothing. Bring a mat or blanket.

**Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. 10 - 4pm**  
**Colette Cullinan rsm**

### **St. Vincent De Paul Society**

The monthly outdoor Collection for the **St. Vincent De Paul Society** will take place after all Masses **next weekend**

**7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> October**

Last month's collection amounted to

**€2,310.00**

Thank you for your continued support

**The Outdoor Collection in aid of  
the Little Sisters of the Poor  
last week amounted to €2,475 for  
which the Sisters are most grateful**

### **Croí Nua**

Monthly Meeting will be held tomorrow, Monday, 2nd October at 7 pm in the Parish House

### **Dublin City Marathon**

Kevin Stynes, is running again in the

**Dublin City Marathon** on

Sunday 29th October in aid of

**Down Syndrome.**

He would be most grateful for any sponsorship he can get, no donation is too small. Kevin's Home address 9 Dunree Park, or Telephone him at 848 1197.

### **Ageing with Confidence**

Are you over 60 years of age, if yes you will be interested in this programme. An Ageing with Confidence 8 week programme will take place in Northside Counselling in Coolock Development Centre, Bunratty Drive, Bonnybrook, Dublin 17. The programme start date is Wednesday 11th October from 2pm. to 4.30 pm. If you would like to know more about this programme please come to our information day on Wednesday 4th October at 2p.m. or for further information please contact Bernadette Matthews Dunne on 01 8484789.

### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

**Open Public Meeting 1st Tuesday  
of Every Month 8.30pm**

**Speakers AL-Anon/AA**

**All Welcome. Meetings Last one hour**

**AA Offices 01-8420700 9.30am-5pm**

**After hours 6pm - 10pm Weekends**

**10am - 10pm 01-8527000**