



St. Brendan's Marist Parish,
Coolock Village , Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)
"Newsletter" Sunday 22nd March, 2020.
Fourth Sunday of Lent "Laetare Sunday"



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
Administrator: Fr. Paul Walsh S.M.,
Curates: Fr. John Harrington S.M. and Fr. Paddy Stanley S.M.,
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Live Streaming : 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

The Sacrament of Confirmation on 26th March has been cancelled

Mercy Centre, St. Brendan's Drive
Coolock, Dublin 5 Tel: 848 7259
mercycentrecoolock@gmail.com
All courses suspended until further notice

Padre Pio Healing Mass
The Padre Pio Healing Mass for this month and subsequent months have been cancelled until further notice.

Sunday 22nd March 2020
Fourth Sunday of Lent

6.30pm Tom Finnerty RD
vigil

9.30am Paddy Canty RD

11am People of the Parish and all who worship here

12.30pm Anne Kane MM
Mae & Leo Fitzgerald RIP
Deceased Members of the Kavanagh Family
Joe O'Donnell RD
James Brennan A

6.30pm

Monday, 23rd March:
8am
10am Special Intention
1.10pm

Tuesday, 24th:
8am Patrick Tobin RIP
10am Souls in Purgatory
1.10pm Patrick & Martha Ralph A

Wednesday, 25th: March
The Annunciation of the Lord
8am
10am Altar List of the Dead
1.10pm

Thursday, 26th:
8am Charles Moore RIP
10am Jack Dinan A
Canon Pat O'Farrell A
1.10pm Maureen Morris A

Friday, 27th:
8am
10am Expectant Mothers
1.10pm Teresa Hoban RIP

Saturday 28th:
10am St Brendan's Intention Book

Sunday 29th March 2020
Fifth Sunday of Lent

6.30pm
vigil

9.30am Deceased Members of the Fegan and Fleming Families
Deceased Members of the Horan Family

11am Kay Mahony A

12.30pm

6.30pm John Murphy A

Dublin City Council
SENIORLINE IS A FREEPHONE SERVICE AND OUR OLDER CALLERS CAN CALL FREE BETWEEN 10AM AND 10PM EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR ON 1800 804 591

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"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
Monday to Thursday from 3pm to 5.30pm.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary.

The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

Pope Francis' Prayer to Our Lady during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you,
Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain,
with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the People, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection,
O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger,
O glorious and blessed Virgin.

St Brendan's and the coronavirus threat: we have been adequately warned by our political leaders and health experts of the extreme seriousness of the threat posed to the whole human race by the current outbreak of COVID-19. Many commentators have invited us to see this threat to our health and well-being as an opportunity to practise the kind of values of kindness, solidarity and concern for the most vulnerable that are key aspects of our Christian and Irish culture.

Here, in St Brendan's parish, we try to follow strictly the guidelines and principles put to us by our civil and religious leaders – help protect the elderly and most vulnerable, practise hand hygiene and social distancing, self-isolate if we think we might be infected, and avoid social and religious gatherings in excess of 100 persons. At the same time, we realise that in circumstances where anxiety, fear, vulnerability and uncertainty are part of our everyday normality, drawing strength and confidence from our faith is of first importance.

In view of the above, we try to follow these guidelines:

As far as possible, keep to the usual rhythm of celebrations during the week, keeping the church open with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the afternoons for private devotion and prayer

At weekends and on major feast-days, hold our Eucharistic services behind locked doors, while inviting parishioners to log into the live-streaming via web-cam. The reason why we need to keep the doors locked on Sundays and Feast-days is because of the impossibility of ensuring that attendance is limited to a maximum of 100 persons. The week-days schedule of Masses will continue as normal until further notice, including the 1:10pm Mass

Funeral Masses will be held at times other than the usual weekday Mass-times, i.e. at 11 or 12, but not at 10 am, and we urge those organising them to restrict attendance solely to family and very close friends

Baptisms will continue as planned for the moment. Again, we ask that attendance at the celebration of Baptism be limited to the child to be baptised, parents, God-parents and closest family members. We would advise those vulnerable because of age or health issues not to attend. They can follow all through the web-cam.

We would like to reach out to anyone who may be feeling isolated because of the restrictions imposed by government or circumstances. We thought of organising a network of volunteers who would undertake to keep in daily telephone contact with anyone feeling that isolation. If you would like to have someone keep in daily contact by telephone, can you communicate your name and phone-number, and any special requirements that you may have to office@stbrendanscoolock.org or (01) 848 4799/848 0102

Let us show our solidarity and our faith by keeping one another in prayer and by being attentive to any special needs we come across within our community and for the strangers we come across. There is no doubt that God is inviting us Christians at this time to look after ourselves, to look after one another, and to live this time of trial in faith and peace of heart.

All of the above may change very quickly as official guidelines adapt to the evolving situation

Paul Walsh, s.m.

All Masses from St. Brendan's can be viewed live on the following
www.stbrendanscoolock.org click on webcam
www.churchservices.tv/coolock

Advocate Collection

The Advocate Collection for the Sunshine Fund of the St. Vincent de Paul Society which was to be held on 4th/5th April has been cancelled and should take place later on in the year. If you would like to donate to the Fund please visit <https://www.sunshinefund.ie> to donate, as this is currently their only source of fundraising to offer holidays to deserving children.