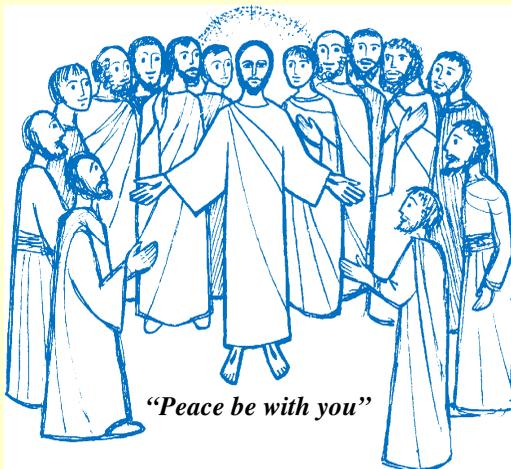




St. Brendan's Marist Parish
Coolock Village, Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)
Sunday 15th April 2018
Third Sunday of Easter



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FIRST READING Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

Responsorial Psalm 4:2. 4. 7-9

SECOND READING John 2:1-5

GOSPEL Luke 24:35-48

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

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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

Here are two phrases from our first two readings today: "Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away," and "I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin."

We can ask why there is so much focus on sin on this Third Sunday of Easter? Perhaps because the Gospel today tells us "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem."

At times we can wonder if our world even believes in sin anymore. There is such a focus on the goodness of people even as we see our world slowly crumbling away around us because of all of the wars and hatreds and conflicts.

Jesus comes to be our Saviour, but so many today do not want a Saviour. Instead, we humans want pleasure, money and sex. We should not be surprised that the world is a mess. The world has always been a mess and that is why a Saviour came for us. But salvation is never imposed on us. Instead, we are invited to live our lives in the way our Saviour taught us and actually know the difference in our way of life.

Easter is about the death of Jesus and then His Resurrection. Each of us is invited to share in that death and resurrection and to die to ourselves so that we can live in Christ Jesus and live the way that He lived. His followers did not believe at first that He was raised from the dead. Instead, they had fled from the whole situation and only after a few brave women began to visit the tomb did the word go out: He is not there! Do you think that.....

We are invited in this time of Easter to deepen our faith in the risen Christ by renewing again the promises of our Baptism: to die to self and to live in the Lord. Words are easy and actions can be costly. Once we actually understand and believe, however, that Christ is truly risen, then our lives can change. There is no one else who has ever done this. There is no one else who has invited us to share in the divine life. There is no one else who promises to be with us always.

We can ask ourselves: Can I truly preach forgiveness of sins? Do I really trust that my own sins are forgiven? Do I know that Christ died and then was raised to life and through that, our whole world was changed forever?

World Youth Day Panama - January 2019

Pope Francis has announced that the next World Youth Day will take place in Panama next January 22-27. We have places for 30 young people aged 16-19 from the Archdiocese to take up Pope Francis' invitation to meet him in Panama. To find out more or if you have a query you can contact the Office for Evangelisation & Ecumenism via email - wyd@dublindiocese.ie / www.evangelisation.ie

**Sunday 15th April
Third Sunday of Easter**

6.30pm	Patrick Caul	RIP
	vigil	
9.30am	Denis Curtin	RD
11am	Denis Mason	A
12.30pm	Victor Boston	MM
	Dermot Gannon	A(1st)
	Pearse Lally	A(1st)
	Anne Maguire	A
	Nancy Boland	RIP
6.30pm	Donny O'Neill	RD

Monday, 16th:

8am	Charles Moore	A
10am	Una McDermott	RD

Tuesday, 17th:

8am	Souls in Purgatory	
10am	Denis Curtin	RD

Wednesday, 18th:

8am	Les Kiely	RIP
10am	Donny O'Neill	RD

Thursday, 19th:

8am	Nancy Burnside	RD
10am	Kathleen & John Coffey	A
11am	Sacrament of Confirmation	

Friday, 20th:

8am	Joseph Brady	RD
10am	Joseph Brady	RD

Saturday, 21st:

10am	Mass for Protection of the Unborn	
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**Sunday 22nd April
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

6.30pm	Frank O'Flanagan	A
	vigil	
	Deceased Members of the O'Reilly Family	
	Mary Burke	RD
9.30am	Maureen Callery	RD
11am	Annie Green	A
	and Deceased Family members	
12.30pm	Dolores Fay	MM
	Sr. Monica Devine	MM
	Phyllis Symes	A(1st)
	Frank Cullen	A(1st)
	Nancy Boland	RIP
	Evelyn O'Kelly	A
6.30pm	Kevin McGillian	RD

**Pope Francis on Abortion
and the Right to Life**

“Abortion isn’t a lesser evil, it’s a crime. Taking one life to save another, that’s what the Mafia does. It’s a crime. It’s an absolute evil.”

“Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, calumniate you, set traps for you, take you to

Celebrate happy moments, and individual successes and support each other in the difficult passages of life. Value everyone’s achievements, however insignificant they may appear.

Pope Francis

The Sunshine Fund would like to thank most sincerely the congregation of this parish for their generous contribution of €2,433.89 on Palm Sunday.

We rely heavily on the funds generated through this collection and your support is greatly appreciated.

**Parish Pastoral Council
Meeting**

A meeting of the Parish Pastoral Committee will take place on
Wednesday, 18th April
at 7.30pm in the Parish House.

CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in St. Brendan’s on Thursday 19th April 2018 at 11 am

“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 the last two weeks

amounted to €1,830.00

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

Knock Pilgrimage

The Archdiocese of Dublin Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 21st April 2018, led by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin.

Coach from St. Brendan's will leave at 7.45am.

Contact Marie McAllister on 8425678 for further information.

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018

God our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in your Son,
One family, in Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care.
Especially those for whom we now pray
Pause to remember family members and others.

Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love.
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we may share.
This we ask through Christ our Lord,
Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.

Saints Louis and Zelig Martin, pray for us.

Vocation Sunday

There will be a special collection next weekend 21st/22nd April to help with the Formation of Students for the Priesthood.

This collection replaces the usual share collection.

WORLD MEETING of FAMILIES

In preparation for the World Meeting of Families this August
St. Brendan's Parish

Invites you to a series of
5 Conversations

on our Christian response to
Pope Francis' writings
"In the Joy of Love"
on

Wednesdays

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th May

At 7.30pm each evening

In St. Brendan's Parish Centre

Mercy Centre, St. Brendan's Drive,

Tel: 8487259 FAX:8673183

mercycentrecoolock@gmail.com

HOMELESSNESS

We all know homelessness is a major problem in Dublin today. Alice will tell us about the work of the Trust founded in 1975 and how they are still endeavouring to assist the homeless. All Welcome No Charge
Mon. 16th April. 10.30am-12.30pm
Alice Leahy

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. 19th April. 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Barbara Perry chf

Choose Life 2018

Copies of their Newsletter Vol. 11 can be found around the church