



**St. Brendan's Marist Parish,**  
Coolock Village , Dublin 5  
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)  
"Newsletter" Sunday, 22nd November, 2020.  
**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
*For the Kingdom and the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.*



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., P.P.**

**Curates: Fr. John Harrington S.M. and Fr. Paddy Stanley S.M.,  
Parish Chaplain: Fr. John Hannan S.M.**

**Sacristan:** Ciaran Doyle  
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**Live Streaming :** www.churchservices.tv/coolock  
**Office hours:** 9am to 11.30am Tuesday to Friday  
**Sunday Mass Times :** Saturday: 6.30 pm (vigil)  
**Sunday:** 9.30am, 11 am, 12.30pm and 6.30pm

**An Act of  
Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in  
the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into  
my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally, come  
at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite myself  
wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated  
from You.

**Sunday 22nd November, 2020**  
**Our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**King of the Universe**

**6.30pm vigil** Grace Lynch A(1st)  
John Dunne A  
John O'Leary A

**9.30am** Arthur Morgan MM  
Monica Bannon RD  
Dr. Paddyann Freyne RD  
Martin & Tom Oliver RD

**11am** Paul Boyle A  
Deceased Members of the  
O'Dowd Family  
Seamus McCabe A

**12.30pm** Patrick Wilson A(1st)  
Denis O'Shea A(1st)  
Thomas Walsh A(1st)  
John Mangan A(1st)  
Christy McCann A(1st)  
Evelyn & Peter Kirwan A

**6.30pm** Br. Timothy McLoughlin RD

**Monday, 23rd: St. Columban,**  
**abbot and missionary**

**8am** Tony Thorpe RD  
Marie Carr RD

**10am** Kenneth Parkes RD  
Special Intention

**Tuesday, 24th: Ss Andrew dung**  
**Lac, priest and companions**

**8am** Patrick & Kathleen Bennett A  
**10am** Annie & Mick Sharkey A  
Special Intention

**Wednesday, 25th:**

**8am** Peggy Curtis RD  
**10am** Deceased members of  
Mularkey family  
Special Intention

**Thursday, 26th:**

**8am** Deceased members of Tierney  
family  
May Byrne RD

**10am** Zach Denham (Baby) RD  
Laura Murphy A  
Deceased members of the  
Boyne and Fox families.

**Friday, 27th:**

**8am** Nicholas Simington RD  
**10am** Peter O'Brien RD

**Saturday, 28th:**

**10am** Padraig Dineen RD  
Eileen Bolger RD

**Sunday 29th November, 2020**  
**1st Sunday in Advent**

**6.30pm vigil** Audrey Burgess A  
Joe & Kitty Andrews A  
Joe Callaghan A

**9.30am** Frank Houlihan A  
Joan Cummins RIP

**11am** Pauline & John Comiskey RIP  
Laura Murphy A

**12.30pm** John Killeen A(1st)  
John Whelan A  
Michael Casey A

**6.30pm** Tony Collins RD

**Christmas Novena Cards are**  
**now available**  
**in the Church and Post Office**  
**(Coolock Village)**

**Pack of 5 assorted cards €3.00.**

**The Christmas Novena Masses**  
**will take place from 13th**  
**December to 21st December.**

Upcoming Meetings

Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council  
meeting will be held by zoom on  
Wednesday December  
2nd at 7.30pm

Parish Finance Committee  
Meeting

on Thursday 3rd December  
at 7.30pm

Anyone who wishes to make their  
**Parish Envelope Collection**  
**contribution**  
by Direct Debit may do so by  
collecting a form from the Parish  
Office



*"Would you spend some  
time with me"*



**Each Sunday**  
**Exposition of the Blessed**  
**Sacrament**  
takes place from  
1.15pm to 5.30pm

**Weekday Exposition**  
Monday to Thursday from  
3pm to 5.15pm.

## Diocesan Finances

As you are aware, the current situation in regard to Diocesan collections is particularly alarming. The Common Fund (1<sup>st</sup> Collection) has decreased dramatically by 68% and the Share Fund (2<sup>nd</sup> collection) by 75% between March – September 2020. The current lockdown will exasperate matters further. To address this issue the Diocese are asking parishioners to make a **monthly Standing Order** which would replace the cash gifts they would ordinarily make at Mass each Sunday. The Standing Order amount will be divided into 60% for the Common Fund and 40% for Share, which reflects the current provision. Avoiding cash collections, already a fact of financial life, is now also a public health priority.

**Standing Order Forms**  
**A legacy gift brochure to encourage further support**  
**are available at the entrance to the Church.**

## PARISH WEBCAM

The Parish Pastoral Council, with the approval of the Parish Finance Committee, has unanimously agreed to upgrade our webcam camera with immediate effect.

## **Knock Shrine Remembrance Mass**

Knock Shrine invite you to join live online for a special Mass **on Sunday November 22 at 12 Noon**, as we remember all who have died from COVID-19 on the island of Ireland. This Mass will be celebrated by Most Rev Michael Neary, Archbishop of Tuam and streamed live from Knock Basilica. As we come closer to the end of this difficult year, we come together as a community of faith to take time to pause and reflect in support of one another and to pray for strength and hope for each other and ourselves. **Live stream on [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie) and Facebook.**

## **The Season of Advent begins next Sunday, 29th November**

Be watchful! Be alert!" Mark 13:33a (Year B)

The first week of Advent asks us to focus on the Second Coming of Christ. Jesus will return again, in all splendour and glory, to judge the living and the dead. We profess that fact every Sunday in our Creed. So, even though Advent is a time for the preparation of the celebration of the first coming of Jesus in the flesh, it is also a time to acknowledge that His first coming is ultimately fulfilled in His final glorious coming.

As Advent begins, reflect upon how ready you are for Jesus' coming. Are you preparing for it with the same fervour that you prepare for Christmas through shopping, cooking, decorating, etc? Are you looking forward to that day when He will return? Are you preparing for the spiritual celebration of His birth? Are you awake and attentive to the numerous ways that God speaks to you on a daily basis?

If you find that you are not as prepared for His return in glory as you'd like to be, make this Advent a time when you get your heart ready. Commit to prayer, spiritual exercises, reflection and attentiveness to His gentle and glorious voice.

*Lord, as Advent begins, help me to put my eyes on You. Help me to open my ears to Your voice. And help me to open my heart to Your glorious presence. May I be attentive to You in every way You desire to come to me. Jesus, I trust in You.*

## **WAYS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF ADVENT IN ST BRENDAN'S PARISH**

- **Banner** outside the Church to invite/draw people in.
- Invite you to make an **Advent Wreath** at home & say the following prayer each Sunday – An Advent Family Prayer (a member of the family might light the candle on the wreath or another candle).  
*Loving God, as your light grows in the dark of winter, bring its gifts of hope, peace, joy & love to the world. Just as you sent the star of Bethlehem to lead the way to your Son, guide us to follow your ways of justice & peace. As we remember the journey of Mary & Joseph, may the Holy Family be a source of courage for our family, inspiring us to reach out in friendship to all those in need. Help us to see in the Christ child this Christmas the one who came to end all divisions. May the Lord bless us & keep us safe today & always. Amen.*
- Jesse Tree – the Family Mass group will add symbols/drawings each Sunday.
- Sr Kathleen, Denise McDermott & Kay Moran will offer a series of **4 evenings** on the parish webcam of Scripture, meditations and gentle music.
- Invite parishioners to express their family needs in prayers – written at home or in the Church, sent in by email or placed in the middle in a secure box at the halfway section of the Church. During Sunday Eucharist, at the Prayer of the Faithful, they can be referred to, or carried forward, placed at the foot of the altar. Some may be read out.  
**(e-mail: [office@stbrendanscoolock.org](mailto:office@stbrendanscoolock.org) ref. Advent Petition)**
- Having a set time for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** in our new Reconciliation Room in the Church. During the time when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed – **Monday & Thursday, 3-4pm.**
- Possibility of having a few Carol Services, 30 minutes in duration, performed by our parish singers & musicians.

## **Coolock Village-Tidy Group**     *Aim of the Group is to keep Coolock Village Tidy.*

A Shrubbery has been planted outside Spar Shop at entrance to the village. For now we are endeavouring to light up the Village for Christmas. We are putting lights around trees and shrubbery and outside shops. The **Bank of Ireland** has kindly agreed to light-up the Bank in a festive manner.

If you can give support or have suggestions contact **Breda Sweetman at 087 958 4087**