



**St. Brendan's Marist Parish,
Coolock Village, Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)
"Newsletter"
Sunday, 10th January 2021
Baptism of the Lord**



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
Parish Secretary:	Malachy Keena
Child Protection Delegate:	Lesa Marsh & Cathal O'Sullivan
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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

Mass Intentions

Due to the unusual circumstances Mass Intentions have been deferred until 18th January.

Please be assured that all deferred intentions will be remembered. A decision will be taken on when these intentions will be take place.

We apologise for any inconvenience or distress which this may have caused.

Notice

Due to the Parish Clergy having to isolate for at least 10 days, it has been decided to further extend the suspension of all masses daily and weekend, with exception of funerals. (with outside priest)

The Church will remain open for private prayer each day from 10.30am to 5.15pm.

Usual Masses **(on Web only)** will resume on Monday 18th January with the 8am Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will also resume on 18th January (Monday-Thursday) 3pm to 5.15pm.

The Parish Office is closed and reopens on Tuesday 19th January at 9am.

Special thanks to those brave volunteers who sanitise the church every evening at 5.15pm without them the church could not remain open.

A labour of love.

**Archbishop-elect of
Dublin Diocese**

It is with a humble heart that I accepted Pope Francis's invitation to serve the people and clergy of the Diocese of Dublin as bishop. I am glad to accept the call to serve in Dublin, to be a pastor in this place, and in this community of faith. For the last three years I have been Bishop of Ossory where I have been very happy and fulfilled. As you will understand, I have a certain sadness in leaving Ossory, its priests and its people. However, I come in hope, and I am confident that I will also be happy in Dublin.

**+Dermot Farrell
(Archbishop Elect)**

**Sincere sympathy is extended to the family
and friends of the late**

**Joseph Kelly, James (Jimmy) Arthur, Mary Quirke,
Elizabeth (Josie) Browne, Mary Devlin-Cleary,
Edward (Charlie) Ryan, Mary McManus,
Sr. Máire Shine mshr, Florence Murphy and John Gallagher
who were buried in December, 2020 from St. Brendan's
Church. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha**



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



Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament has be suspended and

will resume on Monday 18th

January 2021

Pope Francis Homily

“You can have flaws, be anxious, & even be angry, but do not forget that your life is the greatest enterprise in the world. Only you can stop it from going bust. Many appreciate you, admire you & love you. Remember that to be happy is not to have a sky without a storm, a road without accidents, work without fatigue, relationships without disappointments.

To be happy is to **find strength in forgiveness, hope in battles, security in the stage of fear, love in discord**. It is not only to enjoy the smile, but also to reflect on the sadness. It is not only to celebrate the successes, but to learn lessons from the failures. It is not only to feel happy with the applause, but to be happy in anonymity. Being happy is not a fatality of destiny, but an achievement for those who travel within themselves.

To be happy is to stop feeling like a victim & become your destiny’s author. It is to cross deserts, yet to be able to find an oasis in the depths of our soul. It is to thank God for every morning, for the miracle of life. **Being happy is not being afraid of your own feelings**. It’s to be able to talk about you. It is having the courage to hear a “no”. It is confidence in the face of criticism, even when unjustified. **It is to kiss your children, pamper your parents**, to live poetic moments with friends, even when they hurt us.

To be happy is to let live the creature that lives in each of us, free, joyful & simple. It is to have maturity to be able to say: **“I made mistakes”**. It is to have the courage to say **“I am sorry”**. It is to have the sensitivity to say, **“I need you”**. It is to have the ability to say **“I love you”**. May your life become a garden of opportunities for happiness.... That in spring may it be a lover of joy. In winter a lover of wisdom. And when you make a mistake, start all over again. For only then will you be in love with life. You will find that to be happy is not to have a perfect life. But use the tears to irrigate tolerance. Use your losses to train patience. Use your mistakes to sculptor serenity. Use pain to plaster pleasure. Use obstacles to open windows of intelligence.

Never give up.....Never give up on people who love you. Never give up on happiness, for life is an incredible show.” (Pope Francis). **Happy New year!**

LEVEL 5 - Your Guide to the changes (Comprehensive List on www.gov.ie)

Activity	Guidance
Visitors to your home or garden Domestic travel	No visitors except for essential family reasons or <u>those in your support bubble</u> Stay at home except for travel for work, education or <u>other essential purposes</u> , or to take exercise within 5km of home
Retail Pre-school programme (ECCE), primary and secondary schools	<u>Essential retail only</u> from close of business on 31 December Check with www.gov.ie for up to date changes
Work	Work from home unless working in <u>essential health, social care or other essential service</u> that can not be done from home
Weddings Funerals Religious Services	Maximum of 6 guests from 3 January Maximum of 10 mourners Services will be held online Places of worship remain open for private prayer

At Level 5, the public health risk means that you will be asked to stay at home, except for travel for work, education or other essential purposes, or to take exercise within 5km of home. There will be no gatherings other than small numbers at funerals and weddings.

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.**

Support Services for Older and Vulnerable People

Dublin City Council Helpline 01-2228555 Email - covidsupport@dublincity.ie
ALONE national support line 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**.
SeniorLine is a national, confidential listening service for older people, run by trained older volunteers. If you are feeling worried, stressed or isolated at this very unnerving time, please feel free to ring this FREEPHONE service anytime between 10am and 10pm on any day of the week on **1800 80 45 91**.
Age Action and the Irish Red Cross Email: hardship2020@redcross.ie
Phone: **Irish Red Cross at 01 6424600** or Tel: **(01) 475 6989**
Lo Call: 1890 369369

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