



St. Brendan's Marist Parish
Coolock Village, Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)
"Newsletter"
Sunday, 21st March 2021
Fifth Sunday of Lent.



*Lent reminds us that God loved us so much,
that he was generous with his Mercy....*

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.**

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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

Sunday, 21st March, 2021
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6.30pm	Nellie McCallion	RD
vigil	Elizabeth Browne	RD
9.30am	Mollie & Bernard Campbell	A
11am	Paul Deegan	A(1st)
	Tom McHugh	A
12.30pm	Christy Thompson	MM
	Mary Chase	A(1st)
	Patricia Kelly	A(1st)
	Brendan Hamilton	A
6.30pm	Nellie McCallion	RD

Monday, 22nd March:

8am	Mary McInerney	RD
10am	Nellie McCallion	RD
1.10pm	James O'Sullivan	RD

Tuesday, 23rd March:

8am	Alison Jennings	RD
10am	Theresa Pearson	RD
	Michael Lynch	RD
1.10pm	Nellie McCallion	RD

Wednesday, 24th March:

8am	Liam Egan	A
10am	Nellie McCallion	RD
1.10pm	John Aston	RD

**Thursday, 25th March:
The Annunciation of the Lord.**

8am	Nellie McCallion	RD
10am	Eileen Lee	RD
1.10pm	Thomas Desmond	RD

Friday, 26th:

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Jack Dinan	A
1.10pm	Bernie Deery	RD

Saturday, 27th March:

10am	Nellie McCallion	RD
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Sunday, 28th March, 2021
**Palm Sunday of the Lord's
Passion**

6.30pm	Ethel & Alfie Thomas	RIP
vigil	Jackie Carty	A
9.30am	Eileen O'Brien	RD
11am	Patricia White	RIP
12.30pm	Bridget Cummins	A(1st)
	John Kealy	A(1st)
6.30pm	Fr. John Hand	RD

LENTEN REFLECTION

Concludes this Tuesday 23rd at 7.30pm.
It will be conducted by Sr. Kathleen Somers and Denise McDermott from the Mercy Centre, Coolock.
It will be broadcast through the parish webcam.

Fr. John Hand S.M. RIP

It is with deep regret and sadness we announce the death of

Fr. John Hand
former Parish Priest of St. Brendan's.



Fr. John passed away on 15th March 2021.

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We extend our sincere sympathy to his brothers, sisters and extended family, also to his confreres in the Marist Society.

**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.**



Summertime



**Summertime begins
next Sunday 28th March,
remember to put your clocks
and watches forward
by one hour.**

**Summertime ends on
Sunday 31st October 2021.**

Message from the Finance Committee

Many thanks to the contributors who have very promptly returned their signed CHY 3. For anyone who needs more information of the charitable donation scheme it can be found by following this link:

**Charitable Donation Scheme
(revenue.ie)**

The full version of the CHY 3 form is also available online:

**CHY 3 Enduring Certificate
(revenue.ie)**

Hard copies are also available in the parish office 9.30am to 11.30am Tuesday to Friday.

Once again thank you for participating in this scheme and for all your support to St. Brendan's Coolock.

**The archdiocese has announced
that there will be no exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament allowed in
churches during Level 5 lockdown.
St. Brendan's is adhering to this directive.**

**The church is open each day 10.30am to
5.15pm for private personal prayer.**



Please pray for one another.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel reading, Philip and Andrew tell Jesus that some Greeks, most likely gentiles (non-Jews), wish to see him. They are probably delighted that even non-Jewish people are celebrating Jesus' arrival into Jerusalem with great fanfare. They most likely feel delight that Jesus' years of ministry have come to fruition and he has gained more followers. You can imagine what their confusion must have been when Jesus' response is *'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, I say to you, unless the grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains alone, but if it dies, it produces much fruit.'*

What we see in Jesus' reply is that God has much bigger plans than we could ever understand, and a much different way of bringing about spiritual fruit that we humans could ever devise. The visiting gentiles are only a taste of what God has planned as Jesus tells us this when he says; *'And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all people to myself.'* Jesus reminds us that God works through death and resurrection, and it is through this way that God brings about spiritual fruit. The fruit cannot be borne unless the seed is placed in the earth.

Jesus is the seed of eternal life. Although in distress, he is willing to die so that new life will be brought to many. He is that seed that is laid within the earth, and after three days emerges, bringing new life, hope and vindication for having placed full trust in God.

FINAL THOUGHT

Often it seems that God does not exist all around us we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference and cruelty. But it is also true that in the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit. On razed land life breaks through, stubbornly yet invincibly. However dark things are, goodness always re-emerges and spreads. Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storms of history. Values always tend to reappear under new guises, and human beings have arisen time after time from situations that seemed doomed. Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power. (Pope Francis (Evangelii Gaudium #276))

VOCATIONS

"I am the resurrection and the life.... whoever believes in Me will have eternal life."

Do you feel called to nourish others in their faith in Christ, as priest, deacon or in consecrated life? The gift of a vocation is discerned through prayer and grace.

Speak to your local priest or Diocesan Vocations Director, or email the National Vocations Office at info@vocations.ie

For all those being called to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, that they may deepen their faith in Christ who calls them to glorify God in a profoundly personal way through their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

DIOCESAN POLICY

The Archdiocese of Dublin has advised parishes and priests not to organise events to give communion to parishioners after mass, either inside or outside of churches.

The Archdiocese of Dublin said the current situation "requires sacrifice" on everyone's behalf, to "show respect for those whose sacrifice has been greatest".

No Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Station of the Cross or Distribution of Holy Communion in the Church.

All our ceremonies in St. Brendan's are on-line. Church open for private prayer only (10.30am – 5.15pm)

Holy Week Ceremonies St. Brendan's Church, Coolock

Palm Sunday: Palms are Blessed at all Masses

Monday, 29th 7.30pm Reconciliation Service, led by Fr. Ray Staunton, Marist Father (Music by Charis)

Holy Thursday: No Morning Mass
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Geraldine Moore & Jim Synnott)
followed by adoration until 10 pm.
10pm Night Prayer

Good Friday: Day of Fast and Abstinence
12 Noon Stations of the Cross
3pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion. (Noel O'Callaghan & Jim Synnott)
8pm Prayer around the Cross (Music by Charis)

Holy Saturday: No evening Mass at 6.30pm
Easter Vigil with Blessing of Paschal Fire at 9pm (Choir)

Easter Sunday: Masses: 9.30am (Geraldine Moore & Jim Synnott)
11.00am (Family Mass) (Caoilfhionn Byrne)
12.30pm (Noel O'Callaghan and Jim Synnott)
No evening Mass

Confession Times

Monday to Thursday 3pm - 4pm

Good Friday 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Holy Saturday 10.30am -11.30am and 4pm to 5pm