



St. Brendan's Marist Parish
Coolock Village, Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)



"Newsletter"

Sunday 2nd May, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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.

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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, 2nd May
Fifth Sunday of Easter

6.30pm vigil	Henry Mullen	A
	William & Kathleen McNamara	A
9.30am	P. Smith	A
	Michael Ruane	A
	James Moore	A
	Bridget Daly	A
11am	Brian O'Donnell	RD
	Agnes Pearse	RD
	Mary Hennessy	A
	Special Intention	
	Annie & Thomas Green and Deceased Family Members	
12.30pm	Peter Daly	MM
	Laurence Cowley	MM
	Edward Bradley	A
	Margaret O'Neill	A
6.30pm	Nellie McCallion	RD
	Tony Roche	RD
	Special Intention	

Monday, 3rd May
SS. Philip and James, apostles

8am	No Mass	
10am	Bridie Burke	RD
	Souls in Purgatory	
	Special Intention x2	

8am	Tuesday, 4th May	
	Souls in Purgatory	
	Martin Donnelly	RD
10am	Padraig O hAolain	A
	Kathleen Fraser	RD
	Bridie Burke	RD

8am	Wednesday, 5th May	
	Fr. John Hand S.M.	RD
	Bridie Burke	RD
	Special Intention	

10am	Charlie, Maura & Jacqueline Daniel	RIP
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Thursday, 6th May

8am	Seán Smyth	RD
10am	Paddy Doyle	RIP
	Bridie Burke	RD
	Mona Lumsden	A

Friday, 7th May

8am	Friends, relatives, & benefactors of Mercy Sisters	
	Frank Daly	RD
10am	Holy Souls	
	Nancy Colgan	A

Saturday, 8th May

10am	Sr. Antonio Mahony (Mercy)	RIP
	Tanya Ennis	RD

Sunday, 9th May
Sixth Sunday of Easter

6.30pm vigil	Carmel Ivers	A
9.30am	Gerry Fahey	RD
	Patrick Caul	A
	Brian Russell	A
11am	Catherine Wilde	RD
	Josephine Gleeson	A
	Andy, Letty & Mick Fitzpatrick	A
12.30pm	Maeve Kenny	RD
	Patricia Walsh	A(1st)
	Vera Cunningham	A
6.30pm	Nellie McCallion	RD
	Noel Weafer	A

**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.

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Our parish depends entirely on the
donations and contributions of
parishioners and friends to fund the
parish and the services it
provides. We thank all our
parishioners and friends for your
ongoing generous support.

You can support the work of our
parish by making a safe and secure
online donation by clicking on the
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WEBSITE**
www.stbrendanscoolock.org

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

**Lawrence Cowley
Brookfield**

**Peter Daly
Moatfield Avenue**

**William (Billy) Kelly
Beechlaw Close**

**Seamus Day
Newbury Avenue**

**Anne Boylan
Kilmore Crescent**

**Tony Roche
Moatfield Park**

**Sr. Breda Bird
Holy Rosary Community**

**Maeve Kenny
Lr. Artane Cottages**

**who were buried
in April 2021
from St. Brendan's Church.
Ar dheis Dé go raibh
a n-anamacha**

Reflection on today's readings

Think about this disciple of the Lord, Paul. In the first reading today, from the Acts of the Apostles, he is still called Saul. He had persecuted the Church ferociously and now wants to be part of the Church. The fear of the early followers is completely understandable. Do wolves change to lambs? Not often!

The same thing happens today when a person known as a bad Catholic or a bad person decides to change their ways, for whatever reason. Such a person must be ready to accept doubts and rejections and even bad behaviour on the part of the believers, because the believers are not saints, but just humans who do believe

In the second reading today, from the First Letter of John, we are reminded of the teachings of Jesus while He lived on this earth. It is Jesus who tells us through His followers: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. If that person has completely offended us, has destroyed someone we love or even ourselves—that does not matter. We must love that other person completely.

And so we come to the Gospel of today, from the Gospel of Saint John. This again teaches us about love when it teaches us to remain in Jesus. This is not just a thought or a feeling, but an actual choice every day. We must remain in Jesus by following His example and doing what He told us. And the principle teaching of Jesus is always that we must love God and love one another. That love for others is always tested if we love our enemies. It is not tested if we only love our friends.

Christ is risen! Christ rose from the dead in order that we might have life. The life we have is not the life that world wants us to have. We are not here to seek pleasure and enjoyment and power and sex and money. We are here to love and to sacrifice ourselves in love just as Jesus did. If we do this, the life of the world to come will be ours in abundance, in every way. Jesus is not threatening us, but telling us the way to live in order to rejoice forever with abundant life.

We can understand this love so easily. If we look only for ourselves, then in eternity we will have only ourselves. That is not much consolation! If we love God and others in this life, we will have God and others forever. Let us choose wisely now so that we can live with joy and delight forever. Christ is risen. Alleluia.

MAY ALTAR IN YOUR HOME

Families are invited to honour Our Lady in a special way during May, by putting up a small May altar in the home and gathering to pray together there. The centre of the May altar is an image or statue of the Blessed Virgin, placed in the chosen spot - a small table, or dresser, or window ledge. Flowers of the season are picked and placed around the image. A set of Rosary beads, a small crucifix and a prayer book with prayers to Our Lady can also be included at the altar.

In The Joy of Love Pope Francis encourages us to go to Our Lady and to look to her and the Family of Nazareth as a guide and encouragement in our own family lives. May is a special time in the Church calendar when Catholics honour Mary, so this is a good time to create a small altar at home, as a sign of our love for the Mother of Jesus and to encourage families to pray together as part of the routine of family life.

The treasury of Mary's heart also contains the experiences of every family, which she cherishes. For this reason, she can help us understand the challenges our families face, and to hear the message God wishes to communicate through the life of our families.

ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK 2021

Ecumenical Bible Week 2021 is an exciting and successful venture which is now in its eight year and will run from **Pentecost Sunday (23rd May) to Trinity Sunday (30th May) 2021**. Ecumenical Bible Week (EBW) is led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions ranging from the Evangelical Alliance to Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and support from the National Bible Society and Scripture Union. The overall theme this year is "Unlocking Faith Today: Responding to New Realities". This year EBW will have an opening and closing prayer event organised by Holy Trinity Rathmines on Monday 24th and St Finian's Lutheran Church on Sunday 30th respectively. To **Register visit** – www.bibleweek.ie

PARISH CONSULTATION

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) are planning for life after Covid-19. We would like to hear your views on what is most needed at this time.

To that end, we would appreciate your answers to these two questions –

1. What are your concerns after 13 months of Covid-19?
2. How can the Parish help with your concerns?

Please put your answers in the box provided in the Church or you might like to email the parish office at office@stbrendanscoolock.org (*reference Parish Consultation*)

Scoil Chaitríona Infants

Scoil Chaitríona Infants (Mask Ave.) is now taking applications for enrolment in Junior Infant Classes for next September.

Please contact the Principal or Secretary at 01-848 0142 for further details.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions on Mondays and Wednesdays

From 3pm to 4pm