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#### Saint Brigid's Blessing May Brigid bless the house wherein we dwell. ess every fireside, every wall Bless every heart that beats beneath its roof. ess every hand that toils to Bless every foot that walks portals through Brigid bless the house that

# St Brigid

St Brigid is the secondary patron of Ireland, born around 454. When she was young her father wished to make a suitable marriage for her but she insisted that she wanted to consecrate herself to God. She received the veil and spiritual formation from St Mel and she stayed for a while under his direction in Ardagh.

Others followed her example and this led to her founding a double monastery in Kildare, with a section for men and a section for women. Through Brigid's reputation as a spiritual teacher the monastery became a centre of pilgrimage. She died in 524 and she is venerated not only throughout Ireland but in several European lands. St Brigid's cross remains a popular sign of God's protection.

The first reading that is often chosen for St Brigid's feast day is from St Paul, where he prays for his church for their 'hidden self to grow strong', which equates to Christ living in their hearts through faith. The more Christ lives within us the stronger our hidden self will be. Brigid clearly had a strong hidden self in that sense. Christ lived in and through her. When our inner self is strong, it will show itself in the kind of life that we live, a loving, compassionate, non-judgemental life, marked by a willingness to forgive. From all we know of her, this was Brigid's way of life and she remains an inspiration to us.



Visit to Lourdes Grotto, Inchicore in honour of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Sunday 11th Feb. Lourdes Mass at 7 p.m. followed by a torchlight procession. Fare €10, bus from Sallynoggin and Holy Family Churches at 5.30pm. avoid disappointment by booking and paying for seats in advance. Contact Mary Flynn 086 846 9344.



# Our Lady of Victories

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# St Blaise

We know more about the devotion to St Blaise by Christians around the world than we know about the saint himself. His feast is observed as a holy day in the Eastern Church. The Germans and Slavs hold him in special honour, and for decades many have sought the annual St Blaise blessing for their throats.

We know that St Blaise was martyred in his Episcopal city of Sebastea, Armenia in 316. He was a good bishop, working had to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people. Although there was freedom to worship throughout the Roman Empire, persecution still raged in Armenia and Blaise was forced to flee to the backcountry. There he lived as a hermit in solitude and payer, making friends with the wild animals. One day a group of hunters stumbled upon Blaise's cave. They were first surprised and then frightened: the bishop was kneeling in prayer surrounded by patiently waiting wolves, lions and bears. As the hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, the legend has it, a mother came with her young son who had a fist bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone.

Agricolaus, governor of Cappadocia, tried to persuade Blaise to sacrifice to pagan idols. The first time Blaise refused, he was beaten. The next time he was suspended from a tree and his flesh torn with iron combs or rakes. (English wool combers, who used similar iron comb took Blaise as their patron.) Finally he was beheaded.

Blaise is seen as one more example of the power within those who have given themselves entirely to Jesus. As Jesus told his apostles at the Last Supper "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you (Jn 15:7). With faith we can follow the lead of the Church in asking for Blaise's protection.

#### **PARISH STAFF:**

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# **Mass Times & Intentions**

Sun 9.00	Gerry Holmes + anniv	1.00pt
	Wall family intentions	Mond
	Mass in thankgiving	Tuesd
11.00	Jane Dodd + anniv	Sature
11100	Hillary & John Crowley + annv	
	Betty O'Driscoll + anniv	CON
	Ann O'Callaghan + rec dec	Sature
1.00	Mary & Terence McGowan + annivs	10.30
1100	Elizabeth & Patricia Tinsley + annivs	Unles
	Michael Gleeson Sr & Jr + annivs	4.30pt
	Gloria McBride & Elizabeth Roche + a	
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<u></u>	John Loughlin + Months mind	prepar
<u>6.30</u>	Shay Kelly + anniv and his daughter Ann	dange
0100	Cameron + anniv	11.10
	Legionaries of Christ	to mal
Tue 9.00	Carol Parkinson + anniv	ВАРТ
	Mary Beth Wieszcholek + rec dec	Conta
	Mass in thanksgiving	arrang
Wed 9.00	Billy Smith + rec dec	Baptis
	Ann Hanlon + rec dec	-
	Clare Donnellan + rec dec	Eucha
Thurs 9.00	Irene Smith + rec dec	Daily
	Conor McCarthy + rec dec	Churc
<u>Fri 9.00</u>	First Friday Mass for the Holy Souls	
Sat 9.00	Fr Jan Bak SDS + anniv	Chari
	Yvonne Downey + anniv	First I
		Mirao
Sun 9.00	George Felton + rec dec	is pray
	Bridget for good health	Mond
11.00	Liam Gall + anni	
	Edward & Mary Blake + anniv	Holy
	Noel & Bernie Eble for health	After
	Geraldine O'Reilly for health	Saint
<u>1.00</u>	Kathleen Byrne + anniv	086 0
	IF & Mary Clarke + annivs	0000

Next Weekend's Readings First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Psalm: 146 Second Reading: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Gospel: Mk1:29-39

# MASS TIMES:

Sunday 9.00am, 11.00am, 1.00pm. Monday 9am, 6.30pm. Tuesday - Friday 9am Saturday—9am **only** 

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday 10.30am - 11.30am Unless there is a funeral 4.30pm - 5.30pm

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

(for those who are unwell, preparing for surgery or in danger of dying) ContactFr. Padraig or the parish office to make arrangements.

#### APTISMS:

Contact the Parish Office to arrange for the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Daily after 9am Mass in the Church until 6pm.

Charismatic Prayer First Friday of the month 8pm

**Miraculous Medal Novena** is prayed at all Masses on Monday.

Holy Hour After Monday 6.30pm Mass.

Saint Vincent de Paul: 086 063 7874 To donate go to: <u>www.svp.ie/</u> sallynogginglenageary23

#### **CSTV/Live Streaming**

The Parish now has a webcam service for Masses & funerals please see porch notice for more information.



Our condolences to the family and friends of

Joan McCann, Park Court Frances Curran, Glenageary Ave.

Joan, Frances their families and friends are remembered in our prayers

### **Our Dear Departed**

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Tony Hick, Avondale Park. Funeral 18/1/24 Monkstown. Noel Kane, Arnold Grove. Funeral 30/1/24 Johnstown. Anniversaries:

Maura McCabe, Eddie Telford, Gerry Holmes, Jane Dodd, Betty O'Driscoll, Hillary & John Crowley, Mary & Terence McGowan, Michael Gleeson Sr., Michael Gleeson Jr., Elizabeth & Patricia Tinsley, Gloria McBride, Elizabeth Roche, Elizabeth Power, Shay Kelly, Ann Cameron, Carol Parkinson, Jan Bak SDS, Yvonne Downey.

Please remember them in your prayers

### FEASTDAYS this week

Wednesday 31st: St John Bosco, priest.
Thursday 1st: St Brigid, Abbess. Patron of Ireland.
Friday 2nd: The Presentation of the Lord. -World Day for Consecrated Life

Candlemas Day - candles for use in the Church during the

year will be blessed. Parishioners are invited to bring their



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**Saturday 3rd:** St Blaise, bishop & martyr. throats will be blessed after 9am Mass after Mass

own candles to be blessed. Blessed candles will be on sale in the church

### Do you seek the still, quiet voice of God?

Workshop in the Cherith Pastroral Centre, Loughlinstown Saturday February 3rd 10am—2pm. Please see noticeboard for information.

