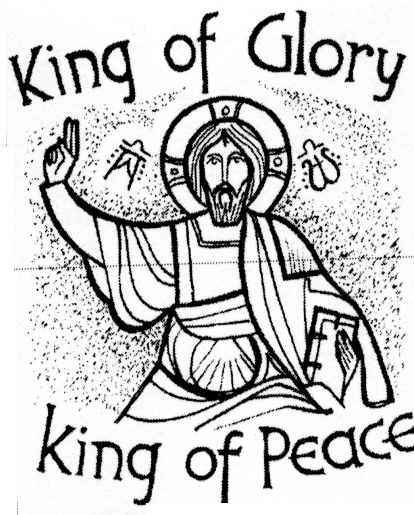




St. Brendan's Parish, Newsletter
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)



Sunday 21st. November 2010
Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King



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.*

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday. 6.30 vigil,

Sunday . 8.30 am, 10 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm, & 6.30 pm

When we read today's Gospel, we see that Jesus is called King of the Jews. His style of kingship is not what anyone was expecting. The first thing that a king must have if he is to continue as king is some kind of power. Jesus seems helpless. Jesus actually chooses to be helpless and to allow himself to be ridiculed and despised. This surely does not sound like a king with any power.

The teaching in the Gospels is absolutely clear: If you want to be first, then be the last. If you want to have power, then become the servant of all others. The Solemnity of Christ the King is not about power or about being first-no, it is about doing the will of the Father. Today's challenge is not for Christians to take on power and prestige. Today's challenge is about Christians believing and being will to suffer for their beliefs.

The first reading today is from the Second Book of Samuel and tells about the anointing of David as king. If we look at David, we find a man who is faithful to the Lord, but also a great and glorious sinner. David has immense energies and they are not all given over to serving God. In this sense David is a good model for all of us. What stands out in David's life is his ability to repent of his sins and to turn back to God. In this sense, David is a model king.

Most of us in the West are not very familiar with actual living kings because kings and queens have mostly disappeared. Those that remain are no longer kings and queens with any absolute power. Most are constitutional monarchs. It doesn't really matter, because the image of the king is simply the image of a very powerful person who is able to unite a people. In that sense, a president today could also be seen as a king. In the tradition of the Old Testament, of course, kings are anointed. They have a mission from God. Our presidents today are not anointed but almost always we expect them to be saviours.

Perhaps we could spend time today reflecting that in Christ the King we have the reconciliation of all things, according to the Second Reading from the Letter to the Colossians. The only way to this reconciliation is through suffering and death. We are invited to die to ourselves today and to allow the world to be reconciled in us. This can only happen when we are able truly to forgive everyone who has ever harmed us or caused us problems.

Forgive and you shall be forgiven. Be at peace and you will bring reconciliation. Take up the Cross so that you may share the Resurrection.

'Please join Aid to The Church in Need and The Congregation of The Daughters of Mary and Joseph in giving Thanks to The Lord with a Miscellany of Music and Prayer on Monday 29th November in The Church of The Holy Child, Whitehall, Dublin 9, Commencing at 3:00 pm, there will also be Eucharistic Adoration beforehand from

2:15 pm, and light refreshments will be served afterward in the church. Come along, and celebrate the joy of being Catholic. **Admission is free.** All are welcome to attend. Bring a friend. We're looking forward to meeting you on the day.'

**Sunday 21st. Our Lord Jesus Christ
Universal King**

Sat 6.30pm Vincent Boylan A
8.30am Rita McMahon RD
10.00am Paul Keville A
11.00am Liam & Paul Oonan A
12.30pm Deceased members of Parnell's
GAA Club.
6.30pm Mary & Angela Mulvaney A

Monday 22nd. St. Cecilia, virgin & martyr

8.00am Lavina O'Connor RD
10.00am Olga Ryan RD

**Tuesday 23rd. St. Columban, abbot &
missionary**

8.00am Special Intention
10.00am Martha Henshaw A

**Wed. 24th. Ss Andrew Dung-Lac, priest
and companions, martyrs**

8.00am Frances McCarrick RD
10.00am Martin Cooney A

Thurs 25th.

8.00am Cecilia Ryan RD
10.00am Deceased members of St. Joseph's
YPS
7.30pm St. Pio Healing Mass

Fri. 26th.

8.00am Eileen & John O'Riordan A
10.00am Altar list of the dead

Sat. 27th.

10.00am Deceased members of McGuirk
family

Sunday 28th. First Sunday of Advent

Sat. 6.30pm Brendan & Angela Keating &
Thomas & Annie O'Neill A
8.30am Ashley & Chris McKinney &
Vic Nazarian A
10.00am Margaret & Edward Hamilton A
11.00am Brian Gilligan MM
Elizabeth, George, & Margaret
McAssey A
12.30pm Mary O'Leary MM
Laura Murphy A
6.30pm Paddy Redmond A



Winning Numbers

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Bonus Number 20

One Bonus Winner of €200.00
M. Duggan, Kilmore Crescent

Winners of €50.00 this week

WINNERS	SELLERS
M. Cooke St. Brendan's Ave.	Church
Mary O'Hara Beechlawn Gr.	Peig Pope
Marie Cullen Tonlegee Road	Church
A. O'Neill Ardbeg park	Church

Next Jackpot will be €4,240.00

Tickets €2.00 from usual sources



**Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament from after 12.30 pm
Mass every Sunday concluding
with Rosary & Benediction at 5 pm
Weekday Exposition Monday to
Thursday at 3 pm**



**The family Envelope Collection for
last week amounted to €1,125**

**Thank you for your
continued support towards the family
offering. Thanks also to all who
collected and counted the money.**

**Mercy Centre, St. Brendan's Drive,
Tel: 8487259**

**Advent Reflections (4 sessions)
Scripture, music and quiet prayer
Wednesday 24th. November
10.30am 12.30pm
Maria Kelly & Kathleen Somers**

**The Good News of Christmas (€30)
Would you like to hear about it? Come!
Saturday 4th. December 10am-4.30pm
Patsy Kelly msc**

**Twilight Retreat
Time to dwell on the real meaning of Christmas
Tuesday 14th. December 7.30pm-10pm
Maria Kelly & Kathleen Somers**

Catholic Youth Care

The amount collected for
Catholic Youth Care last week-end
amounted to €2,880.00
Many thanks for your generous
support.

**Christmas Penitential Service
Wednesday 22nd. December
at 7.30 pm. Christmas Carol Service
Tuesday 21st. December with the
Halleluia Gospel Choir at 8 pm**

Parish Pastoral.

A meeting of the Pastoral Council will take
place Wednesday 24th. November
at 7.30 pm in the Parish House.

Parents Council Chanel College are
holding a Bumper Bingo Night in Chanel
College on Thursday 25th. November
at 8.30pm.
Book €10 Free Tea/Coffee



St. Pio Prayer Group

The monthly St. Pio Healing Mass
with anointing of the sick
will take place on
Thursday 25th. November
at 7.30 pm All Welcome



Pilgrimage to Knock

Sunday 5th. December.
Bus leaves Church at 7.45am
Phone Marie McAllister 842 5678

The family of the late

Roger Higgins, Beechlawn Close
wish to thank all those who sympathised,
sent Mass Cards and attended the funeral.
They wish also to thank the priests of
St. Brendan's and the many friends and
neighbours who supported them
through this very difficult time.
Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Christmas with the Palestrina Choir:

National Concert Hall, Thursday
2nd December 2010 at 8pm.
Tickets €28, €20 (choir balcony €15)
Available from the National Concert Hall
Box Office. Book online at www.nch.ie

A notification during the week from the
ESB stating that the power to
St. Brendan's would be off from
7am Sunday morning to
2pm Sunday afternoon . As a
consequence the heating and microphone
system will be down for which
we apologise.

Christmas Novena Cards are now on
sale Pack of 5 assorted cards €3.00.
The Christmas Novena Masses will take
place from Monday 13th. Dec. to
Tuesday 21st. Dec.