

# Parish Newsletter

## Celebrating 175 Years

24<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Weekday Masses Cycle A

Priests of the Parish: Fr Patrick M. Devitt Adm. 2857773  
Fr Declan Gallagher C.C. 2859212

Sacristan: Finbarr Madden 2859975 (8.30-10.30am)  
Secretary: Caitríona Fogarty 2859418 (10.30-12.30pm)

Parish Pastoral Council: Elizabeth Hogan (Chairman), Margaret More O'Ferrall (Secretary), Gerardine Parkinson, Brendan Flood, Valerie Hand, Joseph Collins, Norman Dingle, Michael Lane, Amy Luttrell, Gerry O'Brien, Valerie O'Rourke, Fr. Paddy Devitt and Fr. Declan Gallagher,

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### Sunday

Sat 6pm Vigil: Carmel McGuirk ( MM)  
Maureen Brien (ann)  
Paddy Lowry (ann)

Sun 8.45am:

10.00am: David Philbin (ann)  
Mary 'Daisy' McCarthy (ann)  
11.15 am: Kathleen Thomas 9ann  
Margaret Sheehy (MM)  
Conrad Hennessy (MM)

12.30pm: Tony & Joan O'Rourke (ann)  
Tony Kelly (ann)  
Bernadette O'Dwyer (MM)  
Seán Kennedy (MM)

7.30pm: Ann Dennehy (SI)

**Rec. Deceased** Roger O'Donnell, Paddy Byrne, Paddy Dunne  
Our thoughts are with their families, relatives and friends.

**Months Mind** Carmel McGuirk, Margaret Sheehy, Conrad Hennessy, Bernadette O'Dwyer, Seán Kennedy  
**Anniversaries** Patty Hogan, Kathleen Heffernan, Des Beirne, Paddy Lowry, Jimmy and Betty Elworthy.

### Remembered at Masses this week

Mon: 10am: Des Beirne(ann)  
Tues: 10am: Conrad Hennessy (MM)  
Weds 10am: Paddy Dunne Requiem Mass  
Pat Boushel (ann)  
Thurs 10am  
Fri: 10am  
Sat 10am: Special Intention

### Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration is when we come to church and pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament. You can come anytime during the Adoration period, and stay as long or as short as you wish and be in His Presence for as long as you wish. While you are there sitting quietly in the pew before God, you can pray, read spiritual books, meditate on a mystery of the faith, ponder God's will for us, etc. Adoration really helps you to be open to what God is trying to tell you! Going to Him in this way really means a lot to Him. Remember when you are here, both pray and LISTEN! Listening is so important, so just say a few prayers then just bask in His presence and an answer will hopefully come to you'. Come along and experience the real presence of Christ, normally held every Monday from after 10am mass until 5pm.

### Reverence in Church

*'But the Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him' Hab 2.20.* Please respect this sacred place.

### Pope Francis on Twitter

@pontifex

War is the negation of all rights. Let us pray for those who have the responsibility to avoid war between peoples  
15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### Diocesan Safeguarding Day

Diocesan Safeguarding Day takes place this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September. As we prepare for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin next August, we should recall the words of Pope Francis: "*Families need to know that the Church is making every effort to protect their children. They should also know that they have every right to turn to the Church with full confidence, for it is a safe and secure home*". Considerable efforts have been made in the Archdiocese of Dublin to ensure that the Church is a safe and secure home for children. There have been significant developments over the past 12 months or so and these will be outlined in a letter to be read at all Masses this weekend. We have seen a welcome decline in the number of child abuse allegations coming to the attention of the Diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Service. However a decline does not mean that such allegations have ceased, only that there are fewer of them. There are no grounds for complacency. It is important that we remain committed to this vital work. This weekend we to pray for and remember those who were abused as children and who continue to suffer as a consequence.

### Spina Bifida Ireland

This week's church gate collection will be in support of Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Ireland. The money raised will go directly to providing services for our members. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Cuppa for the Missions

Back again after the summer break, the Dalkey Outreach coffee morning takes place this Sunday (24<sup>th</sup> September) following Mass, in Our Lady's Hall. With tea, coffee, and scones galore. Dalkey's Cuppa for the Missions is not one to be missed. Not only do these mornings raise vital funds for Sister Clare in Kenya, and Trócaire too, but they are a great place to meet friends for a chat. Come join us as we begin the new 2017-2018 season full of energy (and caffeine!). To receive reminders, email cuppaforthemissions@gmail.com . We look forward to seeing you all - sure, we've even put the kettle on.

### Baptism meeting

A reminder that the Parish Baptism preparation for October Christenings will take place this Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm in Our Lady's Hall. All parents whose children will be christened in October are invited to attend.

### Continuation

This weekend we have republished the poem written by Norman Dingle to commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication of our church in 1991. It beautifully captures the history and spirit of God's love through the ages in Dalkey and we thank Norman for sharing it with us once again.

### Blessing of Pets

St. Joseph's Church, Glasthule, Annual Blessing of Pets, 1st October, 12.30 Mass, you, your families and all your pets are welcome, cats, dogs, hamsters, guinea pigs etc. !!

### Election to the Parish Pastoral Council

'If the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be 'the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters'. Pope Francis, EG 28' The mission of the Parish Pastoral Council is: *To enable the people of our parish to engage with one another, to share their gifts and to live out the values of Christ in everyday living.* As half of the members of the PPC are coming to the end of their term of office, elections will be held to fill the resulting vacancies. The PPC needs your gifts, your skills and talents. Please consider going forward for election. Nomination forms are available in the porches, by email and from the parish office, Completed forms should be returned to the office or the sacristy by Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Nov and the election will take place on 2/3 Dec.

### October Talks

The title of Fr. Donal Dorr's series of talks in October is: **The Ecology Encyclical of Pope Francis: An Inspiring Call to Contemplation and Action.** The theme on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> is - The Contemplative Aspect; Oct 10<sup>th</sup> is - Ecological Problems; Oct 24<sup>th</sup> - The Way Forward. All most welcome, adm is free.

### Suggestion Box

In response to parishioners who wish to make suggestions to the Parish Pastoral Council, we have arranged for a 'Suggestion Box' to be installed in the back car park porch. We do hope that this initiative will give parishioners an opportunity to communicate with the members of the PPC.

### Praying with Scripture

Praying with Scripture has started back again after the summer break. Thurs mornings from 10:50 -12:15 at 4 Barnhill Grove. Contact Claire at 087 2059007. There is also a cuppa and chat either before or after the session - depending on what suits each person. All most welcome!

### Parish Group Support

The Parish Meditation group meets each Thursday evening from 7.30 to 8.30pm, at Presbytery No. 2 (behind the Church) and Compline continues each Wednesday at 6.30 p.m. One to one Bereavement Counselling (non-denominational) with trained volunteer counsellors continues in Presbytery No.2 each Tuesday night from 7-9pm and Wednesday afternoons, 2-5pm. Call 01 8391766 for an appointment on donation basis.

Hymns to be sung at 11.15 Mass

### Entrance Hymn

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art.  
Be Thou my best thoughts in the day and the night,  
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true Word.  
Be Thou ever with me, and I in Thee, Lord.  
Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son.  
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

### Offertory Hymn

Receive O Father in Thy love  
These humble gifts of bread and wine,  
That with ourselves we offer You,  
Returning gifts already thine.

Know that the Lord is God indeed,  
In His great love created man.  
He is our shepherd, every need  
He has supplied since time began.

### Communion Hymn

I am the Bread of Life;  
He who comes to me shall not hunger;  
He who believes in me shall not thirst:  
No one can come to me, unless the Father draw him.

*And I will raise him up and I will raise him up,  
I will raise him up on the last day.*

The bread that I shall give  
Is my flesh for the life of the world;  
And he who eats of this bread,  
He shall live forever, he shall live forever.

Unless you eat  
Of the flesh of the Son of Man,  
And drink of His blood,  
And drink of His blood,  
You shall not have life within you.

### Recessional Hymn

God's blessing sends us forth  
Strengthened for our task on earth,  
Refreshed in soul, renewed in mind.  
May God with us remain,  
Through us His Spirit reign  
That Christ be known to all mankind.

God's news in spoken word  
Joyfully our hearts have heard.  
O may the seed of God's love now grow.  
May we in fruitful deeds  
Gladly serve each other's needs  
That faith in action we may show.

### **Getting Back on Track Financially**

Insolvency Service of Ireland is the independent government  
Most of us have some level of debt, but when unpaid debt body  
with four debt solutions to help people with all levels of  
problem debt - from credit cards to mortgages. If you are  
experiencing debt and would like some advice visit  
backontrack.ie, phone the ISI information line on 076 1064200  
or freetext GETHELP to 50015 for a callback.

### **Retrouvaille - A Lifeline for Married Couples**

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you hurt,  
frustrated or angry with your spouse? Does talking about it  
only make it worse? The Retrouvaille programme can help  
marriages at all stages. Next prog. starts 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> October  
2017. Contact Tony & Anne (01) 495 3536, text or call 086 413  
5440, or email [info@retrouvaille.ie](mailto:info@retrouvaille.ie) or visit [www.retrouvaille.ie](http://www.retrouvaille.ie)