

Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Parish Newsletter

11th March 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

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Parish Pastoral Council: Joseph Collins, Norman Dingle, Michael Lane, Gerry O'Brien, Valerie O'Rourke, Liz & Tony Holmes,

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Sunday

Sat 6pm Vigil Sean and Marjorie Lawlor (ann)

Sun 8.45am: Tony Keegan (RD)

Tony Maverly (RD)

Martin O'Neill (RD)

10.00am: Anthony O'Callaghan (ann)

11.15 am: Cathal O'Loughlin (ann)

Mary Gordon (MM)

George Rigney (1st ann)

12.30pm: Paddy and Maire Ryan (ann)

Eugene McCartin (ann)

Kevin Mahon (MM)

Teresa McNestry (MM)

7.30pm: Des McWilliams (ann)

Recently Deceased Pierina Borza, Maureen Doheny and
James Bourke

Our thoughts are with their families, relatives and friends.

Months Mind Kevin Mahon, Mary Gordon, Mary Prendiville

Anniversaries Catherine Curran, Anthony O'Callaghan, Cathal

O'Loughlin, George Rigney, Des McWilliams.

Remembered at Masses this week

Mon: 10am. Dr Cornelious Kieran (ann)

Ann Marie Kay (RD)

Tues: 10am: John Joseph Lewis (ann)

Wed: 10am: Gerry Collins (RD)

Thurs 10am: Noel McEvoy (RD)

Fri: 10am: Emma Kearns (RD)

7.30pm: Alison Ireson (SI)

The Feast of St Patrick

8.45am: David Adams (RD)

10am: Carmel Hughes (RD)

Yvonne Downey-Smith (RD)

11.15am: Tommy Carolan (ann)

Mary Prendiville (MM)

6pm: Paul Murray (6th ann)

Sun: 8.45am: Christopher & Jane Harmon (ann)

10am: Stella Scully (ann)

11.15am: Bill and Rita D'Arcy (ann)

12.30pm: William and Evelyn Lee (ann)

Confirmation

Congratulations to all the wonderful young people who were confirmed in our parish this week - Harold Boys and Castlepark who attended on Thursday last and to the children of Loreto, St Patricks NS and , Rathdown who are to be confirmed next Thursday. Thanks also to Fr Kieran who officiated and gave a wonderful Homily and to all the teachers and parents who have guided them through their preparation. May the light continue to shine, through and with them now and may the Holy Spirit guide and bless them throughout their lives.

Pope Francis on Twitter

@pontifex

let us learn to recognize that which leaves a good and lasting mark on our hearts, knowing that it comes from God

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Annual Moyross Collection

Our annual church gate collection in aid of Corpus Christi Primary School in Moyross will take place this weekend 10th/Sun.11th March. We give a warm welcome once again to our friends from Moyross Tiernan O'Neill, Principal of the school and Fr. Pat Hogan will be here to talk to us about the amazing work being done to help children in this most disadvantaged area, work which we in Dalkey are privileged to support. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Vocations Ireland - Net Ministries

We extend a C ad Mile Failte to Ren e and Rachel from America, Vanessa from Canada, Alex from Scotland, and Pierce all the way from Donegal - 5 young people who will be working with us over the next month or so. They are coming to Ireland because of the vision and generosity of a wonderful organisation known as NET (National Evangelising Team) and will work in Dalkey, Glashule and Monkstown parishes. They have been working in different parts of Ireland since last Autumn and visit schools and parishes helping to communicate the Good News of the Gospel in a challenging world. Naturally as young adults themselves they have a 'kindred spirit' with the young generation. However they will also take part in parish activities involving all ages. You are invited to join the NET Team for our youth group on Sundays at 6:00 pm for ages 12-17 followed by Mass at 7:30pm this Sunday. They will host a young adult gathering after the 7:30 pm Mass on Sundays here in Dalkey and Adults ages 18-35 are welcome to attend! They will also be working with local schools offering retreats, youth groups, RE classes, and alpha courses. Please keep them in your prayers!!

Love Both

The Christian message is a message of life. It is about how every human life is a reflection of the very life of God. Each of us is created in the image of God. Catholic teaching clearly affirms that every human life has unique and irreplaceable dignity. Every human life has the right, from its very beginnings, to flourish and develop as God wants it to. The 8th Amendment to the Constitution guarantees equal protection for both mothers and unborn children. All should be equal in the face of the law. Any society, which attempts to define certain lives as being of lesser worth and of lesser protection, betrays the common good. www.dublindiocese.ie to read 'Our Common Humanity' statement from the Irish Bishops Spring conference.

The Feast of St Patrick

The history of St Patrick is littered with periods of imprisonment when his teachings had upset local chieftains or Celtic Druids, but he always escaped or gained freedom by presenting his captors with gifts. For 20 yrs he travelled the length and breadth of the island, baptising people and establishing monasteries, schools and churches as he went. By the time he died, on 17 Mar 461, he left behind an organised church, the See of Armagh, and an island of Christians. St Patrick's Breastplate, a Prayer of Protection, also known as The Deer's Cry or The Lorica of St Patrick or St Patrick's hymn is a lorica whose original Old Irish lyrics were traditionally attributed to St Patrick during his Irish ministry in the 5th century. St Patrick sang this when an ambush was laid against his coming by Loegaire, that he might not go to Tara to sow the faith. And then it appeared before those lying in ambush that they (St Patrick and his monks) were wild deer with a fawn following them. This prayer outlines St Patrick's spirituality and his keen awareness and perception of the battle between good and evil and thus the importance of praying for protection on a daily basis. We celebrate the feast of St Patrick in Dalkey with Masses at 7.30pm on Fri 16th Mar & 8.45am, 10am, 11.15am - Aifreann as Gaeilge and 12.30pm on Sat 17th.

'Love is the Core of Family life'

Come along to participate and hear what Pope Francis has to say about families at our programme of 'Parish Conversations' in preparation for the World Meeting of Families next Tues 13th & 20th March in Our Lady's Hall at 7.30pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Our annual Easter Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place in our own Parish on Monday 19th March at 7.30pm.

Meditation Day

A day on Meditation in Loreto Abbey is on Sat 14th April from 10 - 4pm. Booking through the parish office is essential as numbers are limited. Ph 01 2859418 or office@dalkeyparish.ie.

Tidy Towns Recycling workshop

All are most welcome to a 'Recycling Workshop' with guest speaker Michele Hallahan on this Tues 13th Mar at 7.30pm in Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre. Adm free. All Night Vigil Our Lady of Victories Church, Sallynoggin/Glenageary will hold an All Night Vigil on the rescheduled dates of Friday 23rd/Sat 24th Mar. Join us in Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and for the protection of human life from conception to natural death. Fri: 6.30pm Holy Mass, 7pm Stations of the Cross and Benediction, 8pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (until 6.30pm Sat), 10.30pm Evening Prayer. Sat: 3am Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 6am Rosary, 9am Holy Mass, 11.30am Schola Cantorum Children's Adoration, 1.30pm Holy Face Prayers, 2.30pm Music and reflections, 6.30pm Holy Mass, Confessions.

Help Needed With Parish Newsletter

Are you savvy with Ms Word, and could you spare an hour say once a fortnight or once a month at the weekend to help with printing the Parish Newsletter? We are desperately short of manpower, sorry, peoplepower! If you could, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please leave your contact details with Caitriona in the Parish Office.

Hymns for 11.15 Mass

Entrance Hymn

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far
and Grace will lead me home.

Offertory Hymn

Gifts of bread and wine,
Gifts we've offered,
Fruits of labour, fruits of love;
Taken, offered, sanctified,
Blessed and broken; words of One who died
'Take My body, take My saving blood'
Gifts of bread and wine: Christ our Lord.

Christ our Saviour, living presence here,
As He promised while on earth:
I am with you for all time,
I am with you in this bread and wine.

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 Spirit is in my heart,
He has called me and set me apart,
This is what I have to do, what I have to do:
He sent me to give the good news to the poor,
Tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,
Tell blind people that they can see,
And set the downtrodden free,
And go tell everyone
The news that the Kingdom of God has come,
And go tell everyone
The news that God's Kingdom has come.

Just as the Father sent Me,
So I'm sending you out to be
My witnesses throughout the world,
The whole of the world.

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 every Monday (except bank holidays) from 10.30am - 5pm. Please note Adoration will take place next Tues 1.30 - 5pm.

Meditation Group

Our parish meditation group meets every Thursday evening, from 7.30 to 8.30pm, at Presbytery No. 2. All most welcome!

Bereavement Counselling in Dalkey Parish

The bereavement counselling service, (non-denominational), offers confidential counselling on a one to one basis by trained volunteer counsellors in Pres No.2 each Tues night from 7-9pm and Wednesday afternoons, 2-5pm. Please call 01 8391766 for an appointment on donation basis.

Compline

The evening service of Compline continues each Wednesday evening in the church at 6.30 p.m.

Mass Cards and World Meeting of Families Materials

Mass cards, Mass bookings, Baptismal certs, Garda Vetting forms etc are now available in the meeting room (opposite the sacristy) **every** morning after 10am Mass until 11am. Please pick up a free WMofF car/bumper sticker from the porch.