

Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Parish Newsletter

10th January 2016

Baptism of Our Lord

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Priests of the Parish: Fr Patrick M. Devitt Adm. 2857773
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Sacristan: Finbarr Madden 2859975 (8.30-10.30am)
Secretary: Caitríona Fogarty 2859418 (10.30-12.30pm)

Parish Pastoral Council: Jackie Nelson (Chairman), Margaret More O'Ferrall, (Secretary), Pat Keogh, Anne Phelan, Ciara Ryan, Gerardine Parkinson, Brendan Flood, Valerie Hand, Dermot Duffy, Elizabeth Hogan, Fr Declan Gallagher and Fr. Paddy Devitt.

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Sunday Masses

Sat 6.00pm: Jim and Anne O'Toole (ann)
Maurice Sheehy (ann)
Sun 8.45am: Dorothy and John Clarke (ann)
10.00am: Harry Greene (ann)
11.15am: Bernie and Colin Fortin (ann)
12.30pm: Michael, Anne and Vincent Hanmore (ann)
Kevin Coughlan (5th ann)
Seamus Butler (ann)
Olive & Kevin Kelly (ann)
7.30pm: Oliver Maguire (4th ann)

Come and Pray Awhile

Daily Rosary continues after 10am Mass each day except on funeral days. All are welcome.

Church Unity Service

The Church Unity Service for the combined parishes of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Patrick's will take place this year in St. Patrick's Church on Monday evening 18th January 2016 at 7.30 pm. The speaker will be Pádraig Ó Tuama, Leader, Corrymeela Community. Everyone is most welcome. more at www.corrymeela.org

Year of Mercy

This year we enter the Year of Mercy - a year in which we reflect on the words of Pope Francis as he launched this special year on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception 'no one can put limits on God's love, for he is always ready to forgive. May the Jubilee of Mercy bring us all closer to God's goodness and love' in 2016.

For this special year, we will publish some of Pope Francis announcements on Twitter each week to help guide and direct our journey.

Recently Deceased

Patrick Connolly, Olive Gallagher,
Billy Ryan, Austin Doyle.

Our thoughts are with their families, relatives and friends.

Months Mind

Bill Murphy

Anniversaries Dorothy and John Clarke, Patrick Ryan, Bernie and Colin Fortin, Oliver Maguire, Jerry Ferguson, Kathleen Keogh, Patrick Molloy, Andrew Lawless, Patrick and Bridget McCoy, Olive and Kevin Kelly. Johnny Moore, Ruth Groves.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Remembered at Masses this week

Mon 10am: John and Annie Blake (ann)
Tues 10am: Noel Cooke (3rd ann)
Wed 10am: Seosamh O'Drisceoil (RD)
Thurs 10am: Fiona O'Dwyer (ann)
Fri 10am: Sean O'Shea (RD)
Sat 10am: Catherine McGovern (1st ann)

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is held this and every Monday from after the 10am Mass until 5 p.m.

Compline

Compline continues each Wednesday evening at 6.30 p.m. in the church. All are welcome.

UCD Volunteers overseas

This weekend local student David Coyle will be collecting for UCD volunteers overseas in order to fund a teaching and physiotherapy project in the South Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. The project supports children aged 4- 18 years old in their education and helps rehabilitate those who have disabilities. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Tweet for this week: 'when the world slumbers in comfort and selfishness, our Christian mission is to help it rouse from sleep'.
Pope Francis

175th anniversary

This year we celebrate the 175th anniversary of the dedication of the Church. Built in 1841, we are blessed in more ways than one in that it stands in the centre of our very busy town and is easily accessible as a place of sanctuary for all. We will be planning a week of celebrations in September to mark our 175 years and hope to involve the whole community in these events. If you have any stories from the past or special memories or ideas, please email office@dalkeyparish.ie and let us know.

New Parish Pastoral Council Members

We welcome the 7 new members to the PPC who will be commissioned at the next meeting on 12th January. We would also like to thank Jackie Nelson, Margaret More O'Ferrall, Pat Keogh, Anne Phelan, and Ciara Ryan who are finishing their 2 year term for all their hard work and dedication to the parish.

St Vincent de Paul Clothing Appeal

The Society of St Vincent de Paul is seeking your help in its Annual Clothing Appeal here in Dalkey. The appeal is for clean, good quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc. Bags will be distributed this weekend 9th & 10th January after all Masses and collected outside the Church next weekend after Vigil and Sunday morning masses. Your support is very much appreciated.

Harols Boys School Open Evening

All parents, prospective and past pupils are invited by the principal and board of management of Harold Boys School Open Evening on Tuesday 26th Jan from 6 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

Parent and Baby/Toddler group

Our playgroup for parents with young children will re-open on Monday 11th January 10.30 - 12.00 in the youth hall behind Our Lady's Hall. All most welcome.

Elder homeshare

Elderhomeshare is a service that connects accommodation seekers with older home owners who have a room to rent and would like someone in their home for added security, company and potentially much needed revenue. More on www.elderhomeshare.ie or Saoirse Sheridan on 087 1385628.

'The poor little boy with no arms'

This new play will be performed in Pavilion Theatre, Dun Laoghaire on Thurs 4th Feb at 8pm. (Phone 2312929) The play was written and produced by the first graduates (2014) of the Lir Academy (Ireland's National Academy of Dramatic Art at TCD), together with Mikel Murfi. All support welcome.

Bereavement Counselling

The bereavement counselling service, which is non denominational, offers confidential counselling on a one to one basis by trained volunteer counsellors in Presbytery No.2 very Tuesday night from 7-9pm. Just call 01 8391766 for an appointment on donation basis.

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| Hymns to be sung at 11.15 a.m. Mass on Sunday |
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Entrance Hymn

Adeste Fideles, laeti, triumphantes,
Venite, Venite, in Bethlehem.
Natum videte, Regem angelorum,
Venite adoremus, Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus Dominum.

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, Born the King of Angels,
O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord

Offertory Hymn:

O Bethlehem, Heaven's fair Rose
Its Bud embowering, O Bethlehem.
O Bethlehem, had in thy heart
Its time for flow'ring, O Bethlehem.
Was there no room for God's own Son,
Sheltered within a lowly manger?
Now we have room, O Royal Stranger,
But He is gone, O Bethlehem!

O Bethlehem, ancient of days,
Within thy story, Heaven was laid;
O Bethlehem, anguish must be
The price of glory for us He paid.
God's greatest gift to man was made,
So to Himself our gift is given,
Given, ourselves, from Earth to Heaven,
O Bethlehem, O Bethlehem.

Communion Hymn:

We three kings of orient are,
Bearing gifts we travel afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night,
Star of royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Gguide us to the perfect Light.

Born a babe on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold we bring to crown him again;
King forever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.

Recessional Hymn:

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n
And nature sing.

Joy to the world!
The Saviour reigns;
Let men their song employ,
While fields and floods,
Rocks, hills and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world
With truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove;
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, and wonders of His love.

Aware Volunteering Opportunities

Aware, the national organisation providing support and information to individuals and families impacted by depression and bipolar disorder, is now recruiting new volunteers to train on a number of services. Aware was this year awarded the Investing in Volunteering Standard in recognition of the level of training and support it provides for its 400 volunteers. See [aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie) for specific info and requirements for all volunteering opportunities including the Aware Support Line (phone); Support Mail (email); Support Groups (face-to-face), and Life Skills (Online) programmes. Minimum commitment is 18 months. *Help Aware continue to be a supporting light through depression.* www.aware.ie

Year of Mercy

As we celebrate the year of mercy we reflect on the words of Pope Francis as he launched this special year on the feast of the Immaculate Conception this year:

' Dear brothers and sisters, I have often thought of how the Church may render more clear her mission to be a witness to mercy; and we have to make this journey. It is a journey which begins with spiritual conversion. Therefore, I have decided to announce an *Extraordinary Jubilee* which has at its centre the mercy of God. It will be a *Holy Year of Mercy*. We want to live in the light of the word of the Lord: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (cf. Lk 6:36).

This Holy Year will commence on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, 8th December 2015 and will conclude on Sunday, 20 November 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord