

# Parish Newsletter

## Celebrating 175 Years



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First Sunday in Advent

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### Sunday Masses

Sat 6pm Michael Mahon (ann)  
George Borny (ann)  
Sun 8.45am Bridie, Bill & Rose Mulcahy (ann)  
10.00am  
11.15am Eamonn Rooney (ann)  
12.30pm Karl Quinn (ann)  
7.30pm Clare Cooper (ann)

Recently Deceased John Byrne, Seamus Sheeran and Madeleine Connolly.

Our thoughts are with their families, relatives and friends.

Months Mind Reenie Brennan, Mary Stephens

Anniversaries: Michael Mahon, Clare Cooper, Nora McHugh, Marjorie Wickham, Bridie, Bill & Rose Mulcahy, Enda Flannelly.

**May they rest in peace. Amen.**

### Remembered at Masses this week

Mon 10am: Paddy Long (ann)  
Tues 10am: Bill Matthews (RD)  
Weds 10am:  
Thurs 10am: Enda Flannelly  
Fri 10am: Altar List of the Dead  
Deirdre Mountjoy (ann)  
Sat 10am: Ken Bacon (ann)  
Sarah Cuffe (ann)  
Brendan, Conor & Teresa Meghen (ann)

### Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration continues each Monday from after the 10am Mass until 5 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration provides us with a chance to be with God one to one. Come, sit & pray with Jesus.

### Meditation Group

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

### Baptisms for December and January

Please note, the preparation meeting for parents of children being baptised in December and January will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016, forms must be returned by Monday morning latest for inclusion

### Gospel Choir

Our wonderful gospel choir will sing at 6pm on Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec at 6pm

### Year of Mercy

How much I desire that the years to come will be full of mercy, so that every person can experience the goodness and tenderness of God!

**Pope Francis Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> 2016**

### CROSSCARE Food Appeal

This weekend Archbishop Diarmuid Martin is asking parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Dublin to donate food to help stock Crosscare Food Banks in the weeks leading up to Christmas. This is the **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Christmas Food Appeal**. Demand on the Food Banks continues to increase and the situation is once again urgent and staff are struggling to keep ahead. Crosscare, (the social care agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin), operates 7 food banks around Dublin and the number of people seeking food supplies during these winter months is particularly demanding. You can help by bringing non-perishable food items to the Church next weekend **3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> December**. Types of food urgently needed include pasta/rice, fruit juice, tea/coffee, soup, sugar, powdered milk, tinned meat/fish, tinned veg/fruit, packaged dessert, biscuits, and hygiene products. Your support is appreciated.

### Parish Ministries

As we continue to celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the dedication of our church we are asking parishioners to volunteer to become involved in Parish Ministries. There is a single sheet listing the ministries where help is badly needed in the church porches. If you have ever thought that you would like to be more involved in serving our Parish community this is your opportunity. If you would like to volunteer or discuss what is involved please leave the completed form into the Parish Office and a person from the particular ministry in which you are interested will contact you. Many thanks.

### Parish Outreach to Kitui and Somalia.

Your continuing generosity is helping to support some of the most needful children on earth. These war-displaced children receive a daily nourishing meal, basic medical care and most importantly, the opportunity of primary education in the Gedo region in Somalia. Education is at the heart of everything Sr Clare is doing for the girls of St Columba's in Kitui, giving huge promise for a much brighter future. Coffee, tea, scone and company in O L's Hall, from 9 till 1.30 this morning or leave any donation in the box in hall if time does not permit you to delay.

### Carol Service

Join the wonderful school choir of Harold Boys' NS sing in their annual carol service on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1.30pm in our Church. All most welcome!

### Dalkey Community First Responders

The Dalkey Community First Responders are local volunteers who provide lifesaving CPR and defibrillation to critically ill people in Dalkey prior to an ambulance arriving. Over the past two and a half years Dalkey CFR volunteers have attended numerous 999 calls in our community treating people suffering Heart Attacks, Strokes and Cardiac Arrests. We will be holding a Church gate collection next weekend (Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>) to raise funds to cover the running costs of this lifesaving community service. We would be very grateful of your support. We are always looking for new volunteers. If you're interested please contact us: info@DalkeyCFR.ie. (No previous medical experience required - all training is provided!)

### Monday at the Monastery

The popular Monday at the Monastery series returns for the Advent season, from Monday 28th November. The free, informal series of talks exploring the Christian faith is looking at where faith meets modern life. Each session lasts from 7.30pm-9pm, in the Pres. Brothers House, Glashule, This week, Elizabeth Garry-Brosnan explores how to take your soul to work with you.

### Dialogue Evening

Young Adults Dublin return to the Royal Marine Hotel in Dun Laoghaire with another Dialogue Night this coming Weds 30th November from 7-9pm. All aged 18-40 are welcome for a free, informal night of fun, food and friendship, as we discuss the topic of Spirituality in Ireland today. More on Young Adults Dublin - Facebook, @young\_dublin, youngadultsdublin@gmail.com,

### Light up a Life

Celebrate your special memories and remember your loved ones this Christmas and join Our Ladys Hospice Care Services in Harold's Cross on 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3.45pm as they light up their Christmas tree.

### DARA Choir Christmas Concert

Dalkey Active Retirement Association's Choir with more than 60 voices and the Cadenza String Quartet will deliver a concert in our Church on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8 p.m. with a programme of Christmas carols and other favourites. Voluntary donations at the door. All proceeds to the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

### Do you have any spare time?

Aware is currently recruiting for its Support Services. A three-hour weekly commitment that can and does make a significant difference in the lives of individuals and families who are dealing with depression or bipolar disorder. Full training is provided. This could be a great opportunity to develop a new focus in life. More info and application is available on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie) now (see 'volunteering').

### 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 Presbytery No.2 each Tuesday night from 7-9pm and Wednesday afternoons, 2-5pm. Please call 01 8391766 for an appointment on donation basis.

### Exercise Dementia Prevention study

A new study involving Trinity College Dublin seeks volunteers over 50 with mild memory problems to search for possible links between exercise and dementia prevention. Ph 085-2239249

### Hymns to be sung at 11.15 Mass Sunday

#### Entrance Hymn

God of mercy and compassion,  
Look with pity upon me.  
Father, let me call thee 'Father',  
'Tis thy child returns to Thee.  
*Jesus, Lord, I ask for mercy,  
Let me not implore in vain.  
All my sins, I now detest them.  
Never will I sin again.*

By my sins I have abandoned  
Right and claim to heaven above,  
Where the saints rejoice forever,  
In a boundless sea of love.

#### Offertory Hymn

Prepare the way of the Lord,  
Prepare the way of the Lord,  
And all people will see  
The salvation of our God. X 3

#### Communion Hymn

O come, O come Emmanuel,  
To free Your captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear.  
*Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,  
To you shall come Emmanuel.*

O royal branch of Jesse's tree,  
Redeem us all from tyranny;  
From pain of hell Your people free,  
And over death win victory.

#### Recessional Hymn

Come O divine Messiah,  
The world in silence waits the day  
When hope shall sing its triumph,  
And sadness flee away.  
*Sweet Saviour haste! Come, come to earth.  
Dispel the night and show Your face,  
And bid us hail the dawn of grace*  
O Thou whom nations sighed for  
Whom priests and prophets long foretold,  
Shall break the captive fetters,  
Redeem the long lost fold.