



Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Parish Newsletter

7th January 2018

The Baptism of the 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: 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: Frank Kellett (ann)
Sun 8.45am: Marie Curran (ann)
John, Eileen and Edwin Reilly (ann)
Dr and Mrs Sean Falvey (ann)
10.00am: James Lawless (ann)
11.15 am: Jo Fenton (ann)
Stan and Garrett Hickey (ann)
12.30pm: Michael, Anne and Vincent Hanmore (ann)
Phyllis McGill (ann)
7.30pm: Patrick and Margaret McCabe (ann)

Recently Deceased Kitty Rogan, Geraldine O'Connor
Our thoughts are with their families, relatives and friends.

Months Mind

Anniversaries Patrick and Margaret McCabe, Jerry Ferguson, Edna Russell cruise, Dr and Mrs Sean Falvey.

Remembered at Masses this week

Mon: 10am. Nan Flood (ann)
Stephen Dalton (RD)
Tues: 10am: Eileen O'Keefe (ann)
Harry Green (ann)
Wed: 10am: Oliver Maguire (ann)
Thurs 10am: Dermot Egan (RD)
Fri: 10am: Special Intention
Sat 10am: John & Anne Lavelle (ann)

Eucharistic Adoration

Gandhi in his spiritual wisdom brings us to the heart of prayer. In the same way St. Therese of Lisieux beautifully said " I have not the courage to force myself to seek beautiful prayers in books; not knowing which to choose, I act as children do who cannot read; I say quite simply to the good God what I want to tell Him, and He always understands me."

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, Adoration is on every Monday from after 10am Mass until 5pm, except bank holidays.

Pope Francis on Twitter

@pontifex

God walks along the dusty paths of our lives and responds to our longing for love and happiness by calling us to joy.

5th Jan 2018

Dalkey Parish Council

We would like to express our thanks and gratitude to the 6 members of our parish council - Elizabeth Hogan, Margaret More O'Ferrall, Gerardine Parkinson, Brendan Flood, Valerie Hand and Amy Luttrell - who have completed their term of office. We thank them for their hard work and commitment in serving the parish so well for the past 4 years. We welcome new members Liz and Tony Holmes, Catherine Balance, Ruth Lambkin, Jane Courtney, Olive Walsh, Peter Woods and Gary O'Hagan and wish them luck in their new role.

St Vincent de Paul Annual Clothing Collection

The annual St Vincent de Paul clothing collection will take place on Sunday 4th Feb. Bags for collection will be distributed on Sunday 28th takes place on Jan 28th. Bags will be distributed on the weekend of the 28th and will be collected at all Masses the following weekend.

Friends of Calcutta

Friends of Calcutta is a voluntary organisation founded in 1994 with 100% of all funds raised going directly to their projects. FofC support the education of 800 children and young adults in 4 schools in Calcutta with their partner organisation Development Action Society. Their goal is to provide quality education, health care and vocational training to allow students to make brighter futures for themselves and their families. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Passport for leisure

Passport for Leisure is a scheme for over 55's organised by Dublin City Council which offers members free entry, discounts and concessions on a number of leisure facilities, events and stores around Dublin City. For more information call 01 6185000 or www.passportforleisure.ie

Gospel Choir

The Gospel Choir will resume practices on Tuesday 9th January and will sing at the Vigil Mass at 6pm on Saturday 13th January.

Meditation Group

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

Anam Cara

Anam Cara, an organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its next monthly Parent Evening on Monday 8th of January from 7.30pm-9:00pm in the Maldron Hotel, Tallaght, Dublin 24. Anam Cara South Dublin offers a safe and comfortable setting where you can 'drop the mask' and be yourself among people who understand. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether this was recent or not.

Retrouvaille - A Lifeline for Married Couples

Do you want to improve the communication with your spouse? 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 programme from 2nd - 4th February 2018.

For information contact Tony & Anne (01) 495 3536, Mike & Anne (01) 450 0922, text or call 086 413 5440, email info@retrouvaille.ie or visit www.retrouvaille.ie

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.

*God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change;
courage to change the things I can;
and wisdom to know the difference.*

*Living one day at a time;
enjoying one moment at a time;
accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;
taking, as He did, this sinful world
as it is, not as I would have it;
trusting that He will make all things right
if I surrender to His Will;
that I may be reasonably happy in this life
and supremely happy with Him
forever in the next. Amen.*

Hymns for 11.15 Mass

Entrance 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,
Guide 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.

Offertory Hymn

Oh living water, refresh my soul
Oh living water, refresh my soul
Spirit of joy, Lord of creation
Spirit of hope, Spirit of peace.
Spirit of God, Spirit of God.

2. *O set us free, o set us free.*

3. *Come pray in us, come pray in us.*

Communion Hymn

Clear in the darkness a light shines in Bethlehem:
Angels are singing, their sound fills the air.
Wise men have journeyed to greet their Messiah;
But only a mother and baby lie there.

*Ave Maria, Ave Maria':
Hear the soft lullaby the angel hosts sing.
'Ave Maria, Ave Maria,
Maiden, and mother of Jesus our King!*

Where are his courtiers, and who are his people?
Why does he bear neither sceptre nor crown?
Shepherds his courtiers, the poor for his people,
With peace as his sceptre and love for his crown.

What though your treasures are not gold or incense?
Lay them before him with hearts full of love.
Praise to the Christ Child, and praise to his mother
Who bore us a Saviour by grace from above.

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.

Thank You!

St Vincent de Paul Dalkey would like to thank all of our parishioners for your extraordinary generosity in the recent collection which raised a tremendous €20,914.29.

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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.

With gratitude!

As we rejoice in the great feast of Christmas, we thank all who do so much to enhance our celebration: those who have cleaned and decorated the church, the flower arranging group, Cathal and family who built the crib, the collectors, the choirs, organists and instrumentalists in the music ministry, altar servers, ministers of the Word (readers) and ministers of the Eucharist, those who exercise a ministry of welcome, Finbarr our sacristan and Caitriona in the office-as well as those who serve us all on the Parish Pastoral Council and its sub-committees, and on the Parish Finance Committee, the Parish Maintenance Committee and on the Board of Harold Boys', our parish school; all who organised and participated in the wonderful carol services which we have enjoyed over the past week, and especially our friends and neighbours in St Patrick's Church. To all our numerous volunteers who are the beating heart of our vibrant community - too numerous to mention! Thank You!! Finally, Dalkey Community Council has once again this year, donated a lovely Christmas Tree to the church. We thank the Council for this very generous gift.