

Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Parish Newsletter

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First Sunday of Lent

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

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

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Sunday

Sat 6pm Vigil: James Kinsella (ann)

Michael Burke (MM)

Hilda Seix (ann)

Sun 8.45am: Pauline Gegan (ann)

10.00am: Jack Bright (ann)

11.15 am: Carmel McDonald (ann)

John O'Neill (ann)

Finn O'Sullivan (ann)

12.30pm: Hugh Gordon (ann)

Dermot Harrington (ann)

Pat Heneghan (MM)

Conor Kavanagh (ann)

Bill & Sheila Tilley (ann)

Tom & Maureen Petty (ann)

7.30pm: Special Intention

Recently Deceased Angela Maume, Kevin Mahon,
Maura O'Sullivan, Mary Gordon.
Our thoughts are with their families, relative and friends.

Months Mind Pat Heneghan, Michael Burke

Anniversaries Mai Coleman, Michael Burke, Mary Reilly,
Conor Kavanagh, Maura Sinnott.

Remembered at Masses this week

Mon: 10am. Barbara Bowden (ann)

Ann Brady (ann)

Patrick & Maureen Brooke-Tyrell (ann)

Tues: 10am: Richard Dickinson (ann)

Wed: 10am: Special Intention

Thurs 10am: Gerry McMahan (RD)

Fri: 10am: Special Intention

Sat 10am: Mary Glynn (ann)

Christina Murphy (ann)

Baptisms for March

Please note, the preparation meeting for parents of children being baptized in March will take place on Monday 26th Feb at 8pm in Our Lady's Hall. Forms must be returned by Monday morning latest for inclusion.

Amoris - Let's talk family, let's be Family!

A programme of 'Parish Conversations' in preparation for the World Meeting of Families in August 2018 will start on this Tuesday 20th and 27th February, and 6th, 13 and 20th March in Our Lady's Hall at 7.30pm each evening. The series has been prepared by the World Meeting Of Families Office: www.amoris.ie. Come along to hear what Pope Francis has to say about families. As in previous years, we welcome our brothers and sisters in St. Patrick's Church Of Ireland Parish.

Pope Francis on Twitter

@pontifex

The message of Jesus is troubling and disturbs us because it challenges worldly religious powers and stirs consciences.

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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 from 10.30am - 5pm.

Invitation to Give, Pray, Fast

As we embark on our Lenten journey, we invite you to participate in a daily challenge with the new Lenten calendar which will be available in the meeting room opposite the sacristy after Mass on Sunday.

World Meeting Host a Family: Do you have a spare room in your home and want to help? Thousands of people will be travelling from very distant places to participate in World Meeting of Families 2018 (Dublin, 21-26 August 2018). Many would be unable to come if they also had to cover the cost of accommodation. Do you have a spare room? Would you be willing to host a person, a couple or a family next August. Learn more at www.worldmeeting2018.ie/hostafamily Email: hostingteam@worldmeeting2018.ie or 01 567 6800.

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) rather than the Parish Office, every morning after 10am Mass until 11am. We have also received a small number of cards and gift tokens based on themes from the Joy of Love by Pope Francis and St Patricks Days window and car bumper stickers available in the Church on Monday.

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.

Towards Peace

Towards Peace is a spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to nine sessions are offered and there is no cost. For further information please contact the Towards Peace office: 01 5053028, email: towardspeace@iecon.ie | website: www.towardspeace.ie | postal address: Columba Centre, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Co Kildare.

Meditation Group

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

Compline

Compline continues every Wednesday evening at 6.30 p.m. in the church.

Thomas Moore Reawakened

Local resident and parishioner Simon Morgan has devised a new show, along with a host of others including Lisa Lambe, which will be performed in the National Concert Hall on Weds 21st Feb at 8pm. The show will celebrate the songs of the great Bard while always honouring his wonderful lyrics, and the beautiful old airs. You may also recognize Simon's voice from his wonderful singing at many of our parish funeral Masses. Tickets are available at www.nch.ie or from the NCH at 01 417000.

Medjugorje Prayer Group

Mass for healing and peace at 8p.m. on Thursday 22nd February in the Chapel of The Divine Master, at the top of Newtownpark Avenue

Hymns for 11.15 Mass

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 for ever,
In a boundless sea of love.

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.

2nd verse: O set us free, o set us free.

3rd verse: Come pray in us, come pray in us.

Communion Hymn

I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear My voice, I claim you as My choice,
Be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night I will be your light,
Come and rest in Me.

Do not be afraid, I am with you.

I have called you each by name.

Come and follow Me, I will bring you home;

I love you and you are Mine.

I am strength for all the despairing,
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,
And all will know My name.

I'm the word that leads all to freedom,
I'm the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain,
Stand up, now walk and live.

Recessional Hymn

Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done
In Whom the world rejoices,
Who from our mothers arms
Hath blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our lives be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.