

MONDAY CLUB

What a wonderful morning we had with the visit from the girls and young man Owen from LOCALISE. They had the place decorated with spiders' webs, ghostly streamers and table decorations. The tea and coffee, biscuits and cake were in abundance and when we all had full and plenty we were set the task of decorating witches' hats. The standard was so high a winner could not be chosen. Everyone was lined up for photographs wearing their hats. Thank you Ann and Geraldine too. LOCALISE, you are a credit to yourselves and our community. Thank you for your time and gifts.

This Sunday 1st November after 10.30am Mass LOCALISE is hosting a "Cheerios Childline Breakfast" in the Parish Centre. Rebecca O'Reilly an 18year old who is a leader, a member for 6 years and also a volunteer with ISPCC is hoping for great support. Rebecca is studying Community and Health Service Care in College.

Your support for this worthy cause will be greatly appreciated. For a small donation you can have breakfast out instead of lunch!

Next week we have Frank Price from South Dublin County Council coming. Kathleen R

CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Kay Lee

Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove from 6th November to 20th November

Cleaning: Kitty Egan, Angela McCreevey, Veronica Bayly, Kathleen Fitzpatrick and May Stynes
Nadia Benjamin at 0899640833 would like to join one of the Cleaning Teams
Nadia, we thank you for volunteering your time and welcome you. We will be in touch as soon as possible

ACCESSING THE CHURCH WEBSITE

It has been brought to our attention that some people are finding it difficult to access our website on their tablets or computers. Please feel free to leave name and phone no in the Sacristy or Parish Office and we will try to help

NOTICES

Today, **1st November** Feast of All Saints
Monday 2nd November
Feast of All Souls. All Masses are offered for all deceased including those on the Altar List of the Dead
Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass

Tuesday 3rd November
Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 11am
Lectio Divina under the guidance of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass

Wednesday 4th November
Meeting of parents with babies for Baptism in the CHURCH at 8pm
Prayer meeting in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm

Thursday 5th November
The boys of St. Joseph's School will be in attendance for the 10am Mass

Friday 6th November
First Friday, All Masses for the Holy Souls

Holy Family, Rathcoole, Holy Hour at 7.30pm followed by Mass, Rosary and Exposition

Saturday 7th November
First Saturday, Fatima Devotions after 10am Mass

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Pioneer Total Abstinence will be held on Friday, 6th November in the Pastoral Centre at 10.45am, after Mass and Rosary. Anyone wishing to abstain from all alcohol during November are especially invited

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Notices and submissions for the Newsletter must be received before 10.30am on **WEDNESDAY** morning to be considered for inclusion into that week's edition. Envelopes marked "**PARISH NEWSLETTER**" should be left into the Sacristy or Parish Office.

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SEEING GOD IN ALL CREATION

Many older people use the expression "bring me flowers whilst I can still see and smell them" rather than have thousands of euro spent on flowers on the occasion of a funeral. Likewise I am convinced that it is equally as important to say nice things about people when they can hear them rather than a litany of praise at a person's funeral.

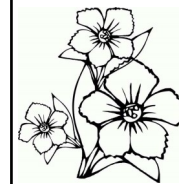
On the Friday before the mid-term break there was a very joyful gathering to mark the retirement of George Lawler after twenty five years of dedicated and loyal serve as caretaker to Saint Joseph's Boys National School. There was a fourfold dimension to the big day. Firstly George accompanied by his wife Noeleen, sons and grandchildren planted a tree on the front lawn. Then George was escorted by Niall Desmond, School Principal and teacher Paul Bregazzi co-ordinator of the Gardening Club into the school yard where the Parents Association invited George to unveil a 'buddy bench'.

There was a great cheer from the pupils as George was lead into the school hall where each class made a presentation of memories and the Board of Management, Parents Association and the Gardening Club also made presentations. Finally there was a time for George and his family to relax and enjoy the occasion. It was great to see so many retired members of staff back for the occasion.

George wasn't just the caretaker of the school. He was also a friend of the school and parted his wisdom and knowledge of the plants and flowers to the teachers and pupils. In a moving speech to mark his retirement he reminded us all that nature is God's creation, to respect it and care for it.

In this way George was echoing the words of Pope Francis in his encyclical. LAUDATO SI', quoting, Saint Francis of Assisi "that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs".

We wish George all the very best in retirement.
Fr. Damian



ADULT CATECHISM STUDIES

'The Church is One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic'. Paragraphs 811-870.

In Article 9 of the Creed we profess the Church of Christ to be One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic. These four inseparable characteristics are essential features of the Church and her mission, which Christ through the Holy Spirit calls Her to realise. It is only by faith can we recognise that these qualities are from a divine source.

The sole Church of Christ constituted and organised as a society in the present world subsists in the Catholic Church which is governed by the successor of Peter and by the bishops in communion with him. Other Christian communities exist in varying degrees of unity to this one Church. The desire to recover the unity of all Christians is a gift of Christ and a call of the Holy Spirit. Unity is the essence of the Church.

The Church recognises the power of the spirit of holiness within her and sustains the hope of believers by proposing the saints to them as models and intercessors. "The saints have always been the source and origin of renewal in the most difficult moments in the Church's history" -St John Paul.

The whole church is apostolic through the successors of St Peter and the other Apostles, she is 'sent out' into the whole world and all members of the church share in this mission, though in various ways. Wednesday November 4th at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. Ronan Leydon

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Cleaning: Kitty Egan, Veronica Bayly, Angela McCreevey, Kathleen Fitzpatrick and May Stynes

Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove 5th to 19th November

Nadia Benjamin, 0899640833 would like to join a Cleaning Team.

We thank Nadia for offering her time as volunteer and we will be in touch as soon as possible.

Volunteers always welcome!

BAPTISMS



Welcome and congratulations to:
Saibh Áine O'Donoghue, High Grove, Mount Talbot
Lucy Carmel Bergin, Leinster Terrace, Old Nangor Road

Alex Anthony Buckley, Woodford Drive
Who received the Sacrament of Baptism recently

WEDDINGS

Heartiest congratulations and best wishes to Eleanor Kelly and David Jenkins who received the Sacrament of marriage recently



ANNIVERSARIES

Tuesday 3rd November

7.30am Vincent Kells, 12th anniv.

Thursday 5th November

7.30am Kathleen Egan

Sunday 8th November

7.30pm (vigil) Kathleen Farrell

Peter Nixon
Felix and Teresa Gilsean

10.30am Liam Hogan
Bridget and William Rodgers
Bernard and Sarah MCveigh
Wendy McGrath

12 noon Patrick Nolan
5.30pm Mary Brannigan, 5th anniv
Ciarán O'Dwyer, 2nd anniv

ADORATION

This Thursday 5th November there will Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Morning: Sister's Oratory 10.45am to 11.45am

Evening: Holy Hour 8pm to 9pm and all welcome

CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR 9 CLONDALKIN PARISHES

This Tuesday 3rd November Intercessory Group praying in the Parish Pastoral Centre at 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Come along if you can to join us in praying for the needs of our whole group of parishes

CLONBURRIS

Saturday 31st October

6.30pm Terry Byrne A.
Patrick Roe A.
Christina Brown A.

Sunday 1st November

11am, David Scannell A.
Michael and
Richard O'Brien A.

MONTHLY HOUR OF PRAYER – THURSDAY 5th NOVEMBER 8pm TO 9pm

There will be an Hour of Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, prayers for healing and individual blessings, finishing with Benediction at 9pm. You are invited to come to this Hour of Prayer where we will gather to pray with you and for you as we ask the Healing hand of the Lord to touch and strengthen us.

All welcome

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



All parishioners, Monday Club and ICA members remember especially **Áine Mac Mathúna**, Monastery Rise who tomorrow 2nd November celebrates her 100th Birthday.

Áine, even though you are out of our sight you are certainly not far from our thoughts. We wish you well and pray you will celebrate many more birthdays.

Anyone celebrating 'significant' birthdays we include you in our best wishes and prayers!

REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER



Envelopes for the Altar List of the Dead are available at the Sacred Heart Altar.

Please return the envelopes containing the names of the deceased as soon as possible and place them in the box provided or handed into the Sacristy or Parish Office

A Shrine dedicated to all deceased is erected at the Sacred Heart Altar and feel free to place flowers etc.

All whose names are on the Altar List will be remembered at all Masses during November and on the 1st Friday of each month during the year

Indulgences for Faithful departed

1. From 12 noon on 1st November until midnight on the 2nd, all who have confessed, received Holy Communion, and prayed for the Pope's intentions, visited a grave and prayed for the deceased may gain one plenary indulgence
2. Confessions may be made anytime within the week and Holy Communion from 1st to 8th November
3. The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence. All indulgences are applicable only to the Holy Souls

REPOSITORY

Your help is required and very much appreciated as again we prepare the Parish Remembrance Christmas Cards for sale

Anyone interested? We will be in the Pastoral Centre on Tuesday 3rd November at 2pm
Mary Farrell

To love means loving the unlovable. To forgive means pardoning the unpardonable. Faith means believing the unbelievable. Hope means hoping when everything seems hopeless."

G.K. Chesterton