

WHERE ARE YOU LEADING ME LORD?"

Come and See weekends for single women between 20 - 40 years. Join the Disciples of the Divine Master, White Cross, Blackrock, County Dublin for joyful and spiritual weekends of prayer and sharing.

Save the Dates: Friday March 8th – Sunday March 10th 2013.

For further information and bookings contact kathryn@pddm.org : 087 317 0964 or log on to www.divinemastercentre.ie

RELIC OF ST JOHN BOSCO

As part of a worldwide pilgrimage, a major relic of St. John Bosco is coming to Ireland from 23rd February to 7th March visiting twelve locations including:

Crumlin – St Agnes' Church Sat 23rd and Sun 24th February

For further details contact the Salesians directly at 01 4555605.

GALLERY NEWS

Many years ago Mary O'Hara's wonderful singing and harp playing brought to the notice of the public the exceptional and unique character of Irish tunes.

At one time Gaelic Musicians and scholars regarded all music as falling naturally into three categories: suantrai,- lullaby, geantrai – to make one laugh and gultra- to make one weep. "Deus Meus", the hymn that the Gallery choir sings at the Communion is one that she delighted in playing.

The words are by Maol Iosa O'Brolchain who died in 1086. There is a copy of the song in the margins of the Book of Lismore. The first line of the hymn is in Latin followed by two lines in Irish. It is as though the writer wanted to honour both the language of Church and that of the people. Music appeals in many ways and perhaps "Deus Meus" falls into one of the three categories described.

Phyllis

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Please note: new rosters are now available for collection from the Sacristy

OPPORTUNITY 2 TRANSFORM

You are invited to the above event: 23rd February 2013 at 11:00 Corkagh Park.

YEAR OF FAITH

Please come and join us at Wellsprings Centre Celbridge to celebrate this year of faith, on Tuesday Nights during Lent.

Each of the five one-hour sessions of this course will explore a different aspect of our experience of faith.

The course starts on 19th February at Wellsprings Centre Celbridge at 7.45pm,

Full course - €20 or €5 per night! For further details phone 086 6647608 or see www.wellspringscelbridge.com

Jim Wynne, Chairperson, Pastoral Council

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Cillian O'Loughlin is this week's winner. Congratulations Cillian! Your prize is waiting to be picked up by you from the Sacristy after Mass today.

This week's quiz



Our Holy Father announced that he is retiring. Can you tell us his name and when he is retiring?

Your entries by Tuesday evening email ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net or to the Sacristy by Wednesday morning at the latest.

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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BIG NEWS WEEK

The expression 'historical' is often used by media commentators to describe various events but the news revealed last Monday that the Holy Father will retire from the Petrine Ministry at the end of the month is truly historic. This is the first resignation of a Pope in six hundred years and shows that Benedict XVI never followed convention but took into consideration the future of the Church. The process of electing the Pope follows at set pattern. All Cardinals are summoned to Rome and they consult amongst themselves. All cardinals under the age of eighty are eligible to vote and indeed they themselves could become Pope. They gather in the Sistine Chapel at a gathering called a Conclave. In theory, any baptized male Catholic can be elected pope, but current church law says he must become a bishop before taking office; since the 15th century, the electors always have chosen a fellow cardinal. Following a conclave vote the famous white smoke appears over the skyline and so the Cardinal becomes the Pope.

While most Catholics experience the Church at a local level, it is the Pope who is seen by the wider world as the image of the Church. During this time we pray for Pope Benedict XVI and for those entrusted to elect the new Pope that the Holy Spirit will guide them.

I hope the season of Lent has begun well with you and yours.

Fr. Damian

BAPTISMS



Congratulations and welcome to

Freddie Patrick and Hugo James Hurrell,
Castle Avenue
Brendan Roger Corcoran, Grange View Place
Katie Michelle Rothwell, Liffey Glen
Katie Mary Collette Ellis, Monksfield Walk
Liana Donata Moran Marsella, Newcastle
Manor Sq

recently Baptised .

MASS ON WEEKDAYS DURING LENT

We are delighted to hear that in addition to the morning Masses there will be an evening Mass at 7.30pm, Mondays through to Fridays, courtesy and generosity of Fr. Shán O'Cuív. Many of us like to attend Mass during Lent especially during the Year of Faith and the only way we can thank Fr. Shán is by turning out in numbers.

LOURDES 2013

DATE: Tuesday 7th May – 5 nights
SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: Fr. Shán O'Cuív
GROUP LEADER: Pdraig Doyle
HOTEL: Paradis Hotel
FARE: €735 per person sharing
BOOKING DEPOSIT: €100
Early booking advisable as places are very limited

NOTICES

Monday 18th February

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 7.30pm. New members are welcome

Tuesday 19th February

Lectio Divina under the direction of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass.

ADORATION

This Thursday, 21st February Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **in the Sisters' Oratory:**

In the morning: from after 10am Mass to 11.45am

In the evening: 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks €2,147 – your contributions last week

ANNIVERSARIES

Monday 18th February

10.00am Alexandra Kessack and
Mary Houston Gallagher

Friday 22nd February

7.30am Patrick and Julie Nugent
and Brian Sexton
10.00am Patricia Gray

Saturday 23rd February

10.00am May and John O'Neill

Sunday 24th February

7.30pm (Vigil) Shane Coughlan
Annette Connor
Edward Corrigan
Sarah Delaney, 2nd An
10.30am Denis and Nora Minogue
Mary and Michael Lacey
Paddy Watchorn
Austin Lombard
Margaret Turner,
George Walsh
Pat Tynan, 1st An
12 Noon John Joe and Sarah Brady
Tom Fahey, 1st An
Ester Lawlor
Tom Callaghan
5.30pm Teresa and May Nolan

CLONBURRIS

Mass Intentions

Saturday 16th February

6.30 pm Patrick & Kathleen Blackburn
(An) & Deceased members of
the Blackburn Family
Kevin Blackburn (An)
Ellie Nolan (An)
Michael Maloney (An)
Margaret Gaffney An.

Sunday 17th February

11.00am Thomas & Brigid Dardis (An)
Patrick Buggle (An)
Sean & Rita Hall An.

Competition Winner

Congratulations to this week's winners
Naoise Sullivan, Izzy Breen and Eibhin
Byrne Age 7. Your prize can be collected
after Mass today.

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Bernardine Wynne, Veronica
Bayly, Tracey Whelan and Josephine Hearty
Altar Linen: Angela Minihan

No flowers during Lent! The Liturgical
Environment team needs a "St. Patrick" in
"green" – about 2 metres (3 ft) tall for use
on St. Patrick's Day only. If available and
can be given on loan please email –
ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net or leave
message in the Sacristy

CLONDALKIN TIDY TOWNS

Our group are holding a meeting in Round
Tower G A A Club at 8.00pm on
Wednesday the 20th. February.

We wish to invite individuals or
representatives of Residents Associations
or any groups who would be interested in
helping with the work for the coming year.

Guest Speaker: Betty Carr who's town
Malahide won Tidy Towns some years
ago. Please come along and bring a friend!

Mary Dardis

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Plunkett family would like to express
their deepest gratitude and appreciation
for all of the love, kindness and thoughtful
gestures that have been bestowed upon
them during this time of bereavement and
May God Bless You!

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be
offered for all your intentions.

Plunkett Family

Martin and Breda Grace wish to thank
sincerely all their friends who sympathised
with them on the death of their sister,
Frances Ledwith O'Reilly and those who
sent Mass cards. You are all remembered
with gratitude in our daily Mass.

Breda Grace

MONDAY CLUB

The generation gap was very noticeable
last Monday as "Localise" organised a quiz
for us. Prior to the "quiet please" we were
warned we needed a good mix of old and
young teams. We learned quickly that the
"X factor" contestants and winners were
not answers that readily came to mind. The
commencement of "face book" was also
alien territory -we now know that it
started in 2004!! However we were greatly
relieved that most of the questions were
suitable for our generation. It was a most
enjoyable four hours and we were well
looked after. We're all delighted to get a
"valentine" card and sweets so nicely given
to us. "Thank You" Localise and your
mentors - we really appreciated all you do.

Next week Susan Knight will make a
welcome visit. Please come along and
enjoy her readings.

THOUGHT FOR YEAR OF FAITH:

Lenten Reflection: "The Agony in the
Garden"

Joan