## WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me" is I never thought I'd see the day when I the theme of this year Women's day of prayer prepared by Christian women of France will be held in St. John's Church on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 8pm and all are welcome

## RELIC OF ST JOHN BOSCO

As part of a worldwide pilgrimage, a major relic of St. John Bosco is coming to Ireland from 23<sup>rd</sup> February to 7<sup>th</sup> March visiting twelve locations including: Crumlin – St Agnes' Church Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Feb Celbridge – Salesian College Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – 2pm to 6pm and St Patrick's Church for 7pm Mass that evening Sean McDermott St - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March For further details contact the Salesians

### SEVEN LAST WORDS!

directly at 01 4555605.

I Believe in Lent/The Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at The Monastery of St. Alphonsus, St. Alphonsus Road, Drumcondra at 8.00 p.m. 'An evening of reflection in word and music inspired by the Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross'. The Dublin Diocesan Music Group will lead the music which is woven round original texts and reflections from the mystic tradition. All are welcome to attend or view on webcam of the Redemptoristine Community www.rednuns.com

#### CLONDALKIN HISTORY SOCIETY - LECTURE

'From the Monastery to the Boot' is the title of former deputy headmaster Gerald Flanagan's talk on the history of St. Boys National Joseph's School Clondalkin, to be held at Aras Chronain, Watery Lane, on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2013, commencing at 8pm. Admission € 3.00 for non members. All are welcome."

Padraig A O'Murchu

## CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT

would find myself decorating Teddy Bears in a chocolate factory along with fifty other members, we went for a 2 hour tour, by bus to Butlers factory in Clonshaugh.

In 1932, a lady by the name of Marion Butler, made her first bar of chocolate in her kitchen, to day, her factory exports to 40 countries worldwide.

Our Tuesday morning dance teacher is working hard to prepare members for the "Come Dancing" TV programme competition!!!

Next big event ----- National Concert Hall Musical night Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March. Tickets 4573269

Thomas

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Colette Kisa is this week's winner. Congratulation Colette! Your prize is waiting to be picked up by you from the Sacristy after Mass today.

## This week's quiz

We are now entering the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of Lent.

During this time may people like to pray the Stations of the Cross - the pictures all around the church telling the story of what Jesus did to save us. Can you tell how many of these pictures there are and what is the 6<sup>th</sup> picture called?

Peter, our Pastoral Worker chose this quiz for you so don't disappoint him! Your entries to the Sacristy by Wednesday morning or by email ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net by Tuesday evening

## 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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## GREETINGS.

There are three ways of celebrating the season of Lent,: by fasting, by almsgiving and by prayer. During last week one of the Gospels taught us how to pray and, believe it or not, it was dead simple. "Our Father, who art in heaven.... Etc." So Jesus' first instructuon was how to pray on our own. The second way he taught us to pray was to pray together and that's what we are about to do now as we celebrate Mass: we offer Jesus and we offer ourselves with Him through. We make him present right here in the Church "wherever two or three gathered" at the Consecration. welcome Him personally in Holy Communion and we welcome Him through one another at the Sign of Peace. So whether on our own, or gathered together, when we are praying we are turning our minds and hearts to God.

Sometimes we might feel like praising God, sometimes people ask us to pray for them to God, sometiomes we feel like saying sorry to God and sometimeswe feel like thanking God. Let us find our own way to pray like during Lent.

And don't forget to pray for the Holy Father in his final seven days as Bishop of Rome. Let's pray that he may have a happy and peaceful retirement.

> As always, Fr. Damian

## **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations and welcome to:

Nathan Kenney, Willow Avenue

Darcte – Little Mary Sweeney Sneddon,
St. Brigid's Cottages

recently Baptised.

#### **LOURDES 2013**

DATE: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May – 5 nights SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: Fr. Shán O'Cuív GROUP LEADER: Padraig Doyle

**HOTEL:** Paradis Hotel

*FARE:* €735 per person sharing *BOOKING DEPOSIT:* €100

Early booking advisable as places are very limited

## FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks  $\ensuremath{\in} 1,920$  – your contributions last week

## NOTICES

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

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

## Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February

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

## Friday 1st March -

**First Friday,** an additional evening Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm. All Masses are offered for those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

**First Saturday,** Fatima Devotions will take place after 10am Mass and Rosary

## WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Michelle Arnold and Robert Murphy

recently married.

## **DEATHS**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

June Parke, Cherrywood Drive Brendan Griffin, Monastery Walk

recently deceased. May they rest in peace.

## **ADORATION**

This Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> 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

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

7.30am Michael McDermott

Bridie McDermott

10.00am Chris Stapleton, B/day Rem

Tuesday 28th February

7.30am Paddy O'Connell 7.30pm Paddy O'Connell

## Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

7.30pm(Vigil) David O'Sullivan B/day Rem

Robert and Joan Crookes Sarah and Francis Flanagan

10.30am Anne and John Connolly

Bridie Naughton

12 noon Paddy and Noreen Maher

Margaret Hynes, 7<sup>th</sup> An

5.30pm Betty Nolan

## **CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February

11.00am David O'Doherty An.
Edward Gleeson An.
Anthony O'Brien B.R.
Christine Delaney An.
Jack Gaffney An.

## Competition Winner

Congratulations to this week's winner Dylan Wall. Your prize can be collected after Mass today.

## MASS IN THE PRAYER GROUP

Holy Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Paddy Dwyer SCA this Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, starting at 8.15pm in the Pastoral Centre and all are welcome

#### **CHURCH DUTY**

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

Altar Linen: Deirdre Alexander

**Reminder:** The Ministers of the Liturgical Environment are still awaiting a big picture/statue of St. Patrick in Green.

### "LOCALISE" CAKE SALE

The young people of "Localise" are having a cake sale after Masses on Sunday and ask for your generosity. The money raised will go towards their charitable works in the area.

## PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE DURING LENT

Sr. Anne will help us to explore the Word of God in a prayerful and meaningful way. All are welcome to join us on Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> in the Pastoral Centre from 8 00pm to 9 00pm after evening Mass.

Pastoral Council

## ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS' SOCIETY

Next meeting on Wednesday next after 10am Mass in the Pastoral Centre and new members invited and appreciated

## MINISTERS OF THE ENVIRONMENT PLEASE NOTE:

Easter is creeping up on us and we need to meet to plan and agree on what needs doing – re decoration of the church for Easter. We meet on Thursday next 28<sup>th</sup> February after 10am Mass. We will then have plenty of time to submit our ideas to the Pastoral Council (Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March) for consideration and approval.

#### MONDAY CLUB

Susan Knight gave a very good talk last Monday on two Irish writers. For a change she said she was going to talk about two women who wrote a detailed account of Ireland in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and the early 20<sup>th</sup>. The 1<sup>st</sup> writer was Mariah Edgeworth who wrote about the landlord system and how her father who was a landlord treated his tenants fairly. She detailed how she travelled around with him and saw firsthand how harsh their lives were.

Then moving on the 1920's and '30's in Ireland she depicted Maeve Brennan's books on how the civil war and its consequences changed life in Ireland. Unfortunately Maeve lived a very exotic life both here and in USA and became penniless in her later years. Two writers worth looking up for anyone interested in those times.

Next week Kathleen will have her quiz – please come along and enjoy some "Trom agus Eathdrom" questions.

## THOUGHT FOR YEAR OF FAITH

During Lent encourage people to attend daily Mass

Joan