"AMAZED AND AFRAID"

We read in chapter 10v32 of St. Mark's Gospel of Jesus setting out resolutely for Jerusalem where he will be glorified in His Passion, Death and Resurrection. The disciples following Jesus are amazed and afraid. Even at this late stage in Mark's Gospel they still do not quite know what to make of him. They are enthralled by Jesus but at the same time are afraid that he might be just a little bit too dangerous to be associated with.

2000 years later people are still amazed and afraid. They admire Jesus from a distance as a good man but are afraid to let him fully into their lives. It's understandable why people sit on the fence, there's a comfort there, life may not be terribly exciting but at least it doesn't make too many demands.

Allowing Jesus into our lives means moving out of our comfort zone and letting him enter us where he will do what he came to do, make us great.

We already sense the potential greatness in us and it is this which scares us more that our weaknesses. It will make demands on us and there is always a certain pain in the initial stages of conversion as we leave our comfort zones behind.

We look back to Plato in ancient Greece and his story of the men in the cave. They are prisoners watching the shadows cast by the light from the outside world that comes through the mouth of the cave. That's all they do, sit there watching the shadows of reality all day, every day. They are comfortable as they wallow in the futility of it all. Then one day one of them has the courage to break free and get out of the cave into the real world outside. At first he is blinded by the awesome beauty and light of what he sees. He is both amazed and afraid. But then as he adjusts to the reality his initial fear and distress leave him. He engages in the great adventure of living in ultimate reality and

is made great in the conversion of his life from that of the shadowy cave. We pray that the Lord will take away our fear and allow the greatness that hides in all of us to shine forth like a light in the world.

Fr. Padraig

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Bernardine Wynne, Veronica Bayly, Tracy Whelan and Josephine Hearty

Altar Linen: Nuala Carroll

Flowers: Aileen Skelton – Friday 14th

June to 27th June

CEMETERY MASS - NEWCASTLE

The annual Cemetery Mass for the deceased buried in Newcastle Cemetery will take place today, Sunday 12th June at 3.30pm in the cemetery itself.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Sorry to admit we again had no entry – maybe it was because of the long weekend!!

This week's quiz



In today's Gospel we have a lovely reading of a miracle Jesus performed. In the story what miracle did Jesus perform and what did the people present say?

Your entries – Tuesday by email – ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net or to Sacristy Wednesday morning

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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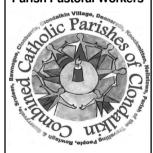
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HAPPY 25TH ANNIVERSARY TO SRULEEN PARISH.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will be the main celebrant at the Silver Jubilee Mass in Sacred Heart Church in Sruleen on Sunday. Father Fintan Crotty was the first Parish Priest and both parishes co-operate at various levels including our membership of the Combined Catholic Parishes of Clondalkin. Fr. Michael Ruddy and Fr. Pearse Mullen are frequent visitors to our Church and we sometimes supply for them in return. The relationship between the Village and the 'new' parishes is akin to that of a parent and child. Parents can advise, encourage and cajole their children but eventually they have to let their adult children find their own way in life. Priests from our parish founded and the parishioners here funded the new parishes and handed them over to Religious Congregations to manage. The Congregation of the Sacred Hearts have been caring for Sruleen since 1977. We wish all the parishioners of Sruleen a very happy silver anniversary.

The Parish of Sruleen invite you to the Saint Damien Display "Damien's recent Feast Day on the 10th May saw the blessing of a new display dedicated to Saint Damien at our Sacred Heart Church, Sruleen, Clondalkin, Dublin 22. 'In the Footsteps of Saint Damien" comprises 12 displays with accompanying prayers that traces Damien's life from Infancy to Canonisation. The final display is adjacent to a first class relic of Damien that came from Molokai and was generously given to us by our Hawaiian Confreres. Please come along and reflect on the life of one of our great Sacred Hearts, and pray at his relic."

Fr. Damian

BAPTISMS

Congratulations and welcome to:

Noah James Boylan, Knockmeenagh Rd

recently Baptised.

ADORATION

This Thursday, 13th June Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be

In the CHURCH: from after 10am Mass to 11.45am and from 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks planned giving contributions of €2,330 for last week and €2,551 for this week

DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage take place in September and the organisers are appealing to you to become Associate Members by making a contribution to help defray the cost of bringing the sick on pilgrimage. Your contributions may be made in the Parish Shop after Mass where it will be recorded and forwarded to the Diocesan Office and your intentions will be remembered during the Pilgrimage.

NOTICES

Monday 10th June

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 12 Noon 7.30pm. New members are welcome

Tuesday 11th June

Lectio Divina in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass and Rosary

WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Jennifer McGill and Richard O Sullivan Jakki Feterill and Edwin Doyle

recently married.

EARLY START TO THE PRAYER MEETING

This Wednesday, 12th June, the Rosary Mysteries of Light will be recited in the Prayer Group, prior to Prayer Meeting starting at 8pm in the Pastoral Centre and all are welcome

TO ALL DOING STATE EXAMS!

"Everyone is a genius, but if you judge a fish on its ability to climb a tree it will spend its whole life believing it is stupid" – a quotation by Einstein – I think is an apt one as our young people enter the 2nd week of the state exams. We assure them of our support, our thoughts and our prayers.

ANNIVERSARIES

Monday 10th June

10.00am Eamonn Farrell, 4th An

Wednesday 12th June

10.00am Liam and Mayfe Hayden

Sunday 16th June

7.30pm (Vigil) Michael Dagg Jimmy Whiston Sheila Bolton

10.30am Ruby and Desmond

Archbold

Noon Michael and Sarah Nolan

Bridie and Sean Foran Joe Farrell, MM

Michael, Mae, Paddy and

Maureen Callanan Carol Nolan, MM

CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions

Saturday 8th June

6.30pm Frank and Kathleen O'Connor An.

Sunday 9th June

11.00am Helen Murphy An.
Sean Coe An.
Margaret Duffy An,
Pauline Fallon B.R.
Ursula Farrell An.

Baptism

Congratulations to Hannah Esther Connie O'Reilly who was Baptised after Mass on Sunday.

Competition Winner

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

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL MASS

The 10am Mass goers will again be glad to welcome the boys of St. Joseph's School as the join us to celebrate their end of year Mass on Thursday 13th June. We enjoy their enthusiasm and buoyancy and of course their music!

MASS AND CELEBRATION OF CULTURES

The 6th International Mass and Celebration of Cultures will take place on 16th June in Rathmines Parish.

Mass at 6pm followed by a celebration of cultures in St Mary's Community Centre afterwards! We hope many people and many cultures will be represented and take part. So please put your thinking/ creative hats on and if there are any groups willing to volunteer their services, musical, artistic, dance, culinary expertise, etc contact the parish office on 01 4971531 or secretary@rathminesparish.com

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Bereaved! Need someone to talk to - the next meeting of the Bethany Bereavement Support Group will be held on Thursday next, 13th June from 8pm to 9pm in the Pastoral Centre

FRANK DUFF

The Annual Commemoration Ceremony for the Servant of God Frank Duff, founder of the Legion of Mary, will be held at Glasnevin Cemetery today, Sunday 9th June, at 3pm.

The Ceremony will be held near the chapel by the main gate, Finglas Road.

Buses from City, Parnell St., - No's 40, 40A, 40B, 40C.

MONDAY CLUB REMINDER

Our outing to Glasnevin Cemetery and Museum tomorrow morning – we meet at Convent Rd at 11am and we hope for a sunshine day!

RIO -IN-DUBLIN

Registration is now open for Rio in Dublin, which will take place from 26th -28th July. Rio in Dublin is an exciting programme of faith filled and music led events, coinciding with Pope Francis's historic trip to Brazil for World Youth Day 2013. The Office for Evangelisation has planned a series of exciting initiatives - including music and prayers with the Brazilian community in Dublin; a specially designed Magis programme encouraging young people (18+) to get involved with service initiatives; a Pilgrim walk through the city, concerts, workshops and late night live video links to Rio for the events with Pope Francis. To register just log on to www.evangelisation.ie or email wyd@dublindiocese.ie