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conduct, and even in thought. As the salt of the earth, we must have a certain antiseptic influence on life and society, defeating corruption, injustice and impurity and making it easier for others to be good. As salt, we have to preserve Christian cultural values and moral principles. As salt, we should try to improve the tone of society ("season" it), preserve faith, and extend the fire of the Spirit through our evangelisation efforts. As light of the world we are expected to reflect the light borrowed from Christ and try to radiate that light in the form of love, kindness, mercy, forgiveness and humble service wherever we find ourselves.

Fr. Séamus

#### **CEMETERY MASS**

Bluebell Cemetery invites all who have family, relations and friends buried in the Cemetery to its celebration of Mass at 3pm on Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>

### 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CLUB MASS –ROUND TOWERS

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Club Mass for deceased members will be celebrated in the Clubrooms, Convent Rd, by Fr. Damian Farnon, Parish Adm. on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 8pm

The Club Committee wishes to invite all members, past and present and also relatives and friends of deceased members to attend and asks, if possible, people to be seated by 7.45pm.

While every effort will be made to notify the large numbers of people involved, the Committee would welcome your assistance in spreading the word to former Club Members who may have moved from the locality.

Tommy Keogh, President

PS. Additional car parking space is available in St. Joseph's Boys School

#### IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION SAYS "THANKS"

We had a church gate collection last week in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Just wanted to express our thanks for all the support from the community-we raised the fantastic amount of  $\in$ 793.53.

All of the money will go to run our youth café in the Knockmitten Community Centre in Clondalkin.

David Barry, Irish Wheelchair Association

#### **CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT**

We had a great morning on Tuesday last. We had a sing song compared by our Mr. Tom O'Flaherty and you did a great job Tom, thank you. We had a song from Maura, Mairead, Patricia, Pasty, Eileen, Noreen, sorry if I forgot anyone, but I was so impressed with Mr. Mick Long's song, you were great Mick.

Next Tuesday we are having an Auction for the Charity LauraLynn, so if anyone of you out there have any little thing you don't want please bring it on Tuesday next for the auction, and we hope to have a little cake sale for this charity also, so if anyone of you would like to bake a cake for next Tuesday, we would be delighted.

I still have a few seats left in the bus for The Marigold Festival on Thursday 18th June, at Airfield, Dundrum so please ring me on 086 3274323 if you require a lift, this is going to be a fantastic day out . Hope to see you all there.

Clare

#### 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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#### SALT OF THE EARTH, LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Many of us might be familiar with the Catholic TV station called EWTN, but a few days ago I was watching a report on Pope Francis' recent trip to Sarajevo, (the capital of Bosnia Herzegovina) on another Catholic channel called Salt and Light. This prompted me to reflect on one of the Gospel readings during the week where, using two of the simple metaphors of salt and light, Jesus outlines the role of Christians in this world. Our task as Christians is to be the salt of society, preserving, reconciling, adding taste, giving meaning where there is no meaning and giving hope where there is no hope. We are also to try and reflect the light borrowed from Christ and radiate around him or her that light in the form of love, kindness, mercy, forgiveness and humble service.

The salt of the earth: In the time of Jesus, salt was connected in people's minds with three special qualities. Salt was connected with purity because it was white and it came from the purest of all things, the sun and the sea. And so, it was the common ingredient in the sacrifices offered to God by the Jews and pagans.

Salt was the commonest of all preservatives in the ancient world. It was used to prevent putrefaction of meat, fish and fruits in pickles. Salt lends flavour to food items (Job 6:6). Salt was also used to season food, and to keep fire burning evenly in an oven for a longer time.

The light of the world: A light is something which is meant to be seen. A lamp or light is a guide to make clear the way. A light can often be a warning light. A light is often the warning which tells us to halt when there is danger ahead. Light gives warmth and heat.

As the salt of the earth, we as Christians must be an example of purity, holding high the standard of absolute purity in speech, in

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#### **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations and welcome to

Lauren Grace Faulkner, Gillway Lane, Tamworth

who received the Sacrament of Baptism.

#### ADORATION

This Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be in the **Church: Morning:** from 10.45am to 11.45am **Evening:** from 7pm to 9pm All are welcome.

#### REMINDER!

For all who concluded the first module of the Catholic Catechism: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual gathering of Catechism Studies in St. Patrick's College Maynooth Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July beginning at 9.30am with Adoration. Archbishop Charles Brown, Papal Nuncio will address the gathering and Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Eamonn Martin at 3pm

#### NOTICES

## Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

## Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June

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

**The Legion of Mary** meets in the Convent at 11.00am. New members are welcome.

### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

Prayer Group meet in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm and all are welcome

## Thursday 18th June

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed in the Church at 3pm and all are welcome.

#### WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Danielle Heavey and Gary Kavanagh

who received the Sacrament of Marriage recently

#### **DEATHS**

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

Bianca Ni Ghogain, Ross Ni Ri, St. John's Rd

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Tuesday 16th June

7.30am Betty and John Aylward

## Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

7.30am Tom Kinane 10.00am David O'Sullivan

## Thursday 18th June

7.30am Fr. Richard O'Connor

## Friday 19th June

7.30am Tom Curran

## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June

10.00am Brian McDonagh, 1<sup>st</sup> An

### Sunday 21st June

7.30pm (Vigil) Michael Dagg

Fionnuala Doyle

10.30am John and Nancy Mangan

Breda Guy, MM

12 Noon Michael Walsh

Patty O'Neill Tony Gordon, 1<sup>st</sup> An

Teresa Daly, MM

## **CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions**

## Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June

6.30pm Patrick Byrne An.
Jack and Josie O'Reilly An.
Eamon Wolfe B.Rem.
Eileen Mc Donald R.D.

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June

11.00am Kathleen Mulready An.
May and Jimmy O'Brien An.
Annie Downey B.Rem.
Ursula O'Farrell An.
Joe Walsh An.

#### **CHURCH DUTY**

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

Altar Linen: Kay Lee

**Flowers:** Kathleen Cosgrove to 18<sup>th</sup> June, Teresa Green from 19<sup>th</sup> June to 2<sup>nd</sup> July

(Anyone interested in joining the "FLOWER" team please let us know by giving name and telephone no to the Sacristy or office or email ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net)

#### DIABETES IRELAND

Interested in raising funds for "Diabetes Ireland? – take part in "Lap The Lake 2015" – a 28km walk around the Blessington Lakes in Co. Wicklow on the incredibly scenic Lake Drive Rd. Enjoy the stunning scenery of the Wicklow foothills on Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> and help raise much needed funds for Diabetes Ireland. Full details at www.diabetes.ie <a href="http://www.diabetes.ie">http://www.diabetes.ie</a> or lo-call 1850 909 909. Register Now!!

Gary

gary.brady@diabetes.ie;

## CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR 9 PARISHES

This Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June Intercessory Group praying in Parish pastoral Centre at 7.30pm to 8.30pm "Come and join us if you can"!

#### PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG

The Presentation Brothers are organising a pilgrimage to Lough Derg (Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> June) for young adults (18-40). Full details at

www.PresentationBrothers.org Contact Andrew at 01-2300824 or

email comms@PresentationBrothers.org Andrew O Connell

Presentation Brothers,

Glasthule, Dun Laoghaire, Tel: 01-2300824

#### PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

The Pilgrimage will take place **Thursday** 1<sup>st</sup> **October 2015.** The price of €1,099 includes return flights from Dublin, 4 nights on full board basis in San Giovanni, 3 nights in Rome on B&B basis, luxury coach and a guide. Our Fr. Damian will accompany the pilgrimage as spiritual director.

Interested? Call Fr. Damian or Imelda Farrell – 01 4965357 /087 2402756

#### GENEALOGY AND FAMILY HISTORY EVENT

Captain Claire Mortimer, will be giving a presentation on the material available in the Irish Military Archives, in the Library on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm, this talk will be of particular interest to anyone who had relatives involved in the 1916 Rising, the War of Independence or the Civil War. The Military Archives also contain records of the Irish Army since 1924. All are welcome and no booking is required.