

then went to the Dead Sea (*lowest place on earth*) where most of us tested the water to see if we could float.

We drove along the Sea of Galilee to the Mount of the Beatitudes for Mass and full reading of the Beatitudes. We went to Capernaum where we prayed at the synagogue is built on the same footprint as the synagogue where Jesus worshipped. We had a very moving time aboard a boat on the Sea of Galilee where we had readings and the Irish Flag was raised alongside the Israeli Flag to the sound of our National Anthem. The engine was turned off when we were in the centre of the lake and the sound of silence was spellbinding.

On Sunday morning we went to visit Mount Tabor and ascended the long winding road to the Church of the Transfiguration for Mass. On our way down we had a panoramic view of Armageddon Valley. We then headed on to the river Jordan for renewal of Baptismal Vows. Two of the members of the group went for full immersion. We visited Nazareth the home of the Holy Family. Our last visit was to Cana the place of the first miracle. Here three couples on the pilgrimage renewed their marriage vows.

Joan Steed & Kathleen Ryder

GREEN ISLE BUSINESS PARK CHRISTMAS CHARITY EVENT IN AID OF ST ULTAN'S

Sunday, 1st Dec. 2 – 5 pm

Please join us for a Free Family Day at the Green Isle Business Park beside the Green Isle Hotel

See Santa and the Elves €2, face painting, Kids Disco, Fit kids fun exercise classes, try Bodytec for free

Try Tanning Rocks for free - Hot food stalls, Cake sale, Raffle
And much more!!

ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR AONACH CEIRDE BLIANTÚIL

ÁRAS CHRÓNÁIN
Ionad Cultúir – Irish Cultural Centre
Cluain Dolcáin, BÁC 22
Clondalkin, Dublin 22

Domhnach – Sunday
1st December 2013
12.00 – 5.00pm

Ceardaíocht Lámhdhéanta
Handmade Gifts and Crafts.

www.araschronain.ie

VOCATIONS WEEKEND

A weekend of information for men interested in religious life: 11am Saturday 30th Nov. - 2pm Sunday 1st Dec. at Presentation Brothers, Glashule. For full details contact Br Anthony at 086-0898120, vocation@PresentationBrothers.org or visit www.PresentationBrothers.org

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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

THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

Next weekend Advent begins. What does **ADVENT** mean?
Entries by email by Tuesday evening –
ellenteresacoyn@eircom.net
or to the Sacristy by
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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HOLY LAND TRIP 4 – 11 NOVEMBER 2013

We were privileged to join Sruleen Parish for their pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Our spiritual director was Fr Michael Ruddy who was joined by Fr Derek Laverty, provincial of the Sacred Hearts and Fr Damian.

Our week started off by visiting the old city of Jerusalem, taking in visitations to the Pater Noster Church, Dominus Flevit, (*Jesus Wept*) Assumption Church and grotto and the Garden of Gethsemane, also taking in visits to the Church of St Peter in Gallicantu – Church of the Cock-Crow where the first Mass of the pilgrimage took place. Afterwards we went to see the dungeon where Jesus was held on Holy Thursday night. We walked around Mount Zion and visited the tomb of David and the Room of the Last Supper.

We had a very early start on Tuesday morning when we walked to the Holy Sepulchre for Mass at 5.30 am. What a beautiful experience to get the early morning before all the hustle and bustle of the day. The Mass itself was a very moving experience as it took place at the 11th Station where *Jesus is nailed to the Cross*. Later that day we walked the Via Dolorosa (*Way of Sorrow*) to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and the Rock of Calvary. Later in the afternoon we visited the Churches of the Visitation and John the Baptist, and visited the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial, a Model of Old Jerusalem and the Shrine of the Book.

We went to Bethlehem to visit the Church of the Nativity and see the birthplace of Jesus and the Holy Manger, and after Mass we visited the Milk Grotto.

In Jericho we went to the Mount of Temptation where Jesus was put to the test and also to see the tree of Zacchaeus. We
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ADORATION

This Thursday 28th November Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **in the Sisters' Oratory**: from after 10am Mass to 11.45am, **and from** 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome.

MASS IN THE PRAYER GROUP FOR DECEASED MEMBERS

Fr. Sean O'Leary from Deansrath Parish will celebrate Holy Mass in the Prayer Group this Wednesday, 27th November, starting at 8.15pm. During the Mass we will remember all our friends who have gone before us and will light candles in their name and all are welcome

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Bernardine Wynne, Veronica Bayly, Tracy Whelan and Josephine Hearty
Altar Linen: Mary Leonard
Flowers: making the Advent wreath after 10am Mass
(Wedding Thursday)

CHARITY BRIDGE NIGHT IN AID OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

"Newlands Golf Club" is hosting the Annual Bridge Night for our local branch of St Vincent de Paul on Tuesday next, 26th November at 7.30pm. There will a Special Beginners Competition.

The cost is €10 per person and please donate prizes for raffle.

NOTICES

Monday 25th November

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 26th November

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

DEATHS

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

Anthony Barrett, Palmerstown Woods
Joseph Kavanagh, Boot Rd

recently deceased. May thhe rest in peace.

REMINDERS

Members of Finance Committee: please note meeting at 3.30pm in the Pastoral Centre tomorrow

ANNIVERSARIES

Tuesday 26th November

10.00am Imelda and Nicholas McEvoy

Wednesday 27th November

10.00am Maura Burke

Thursday 28th November

10.00am Denis Flanagan

Friday 29th November

7.30am Carmel Lynch

Saturday 30th November

10.00am Christina Moore

Sunday 1st December

7.30pm (Vigil) Joe, Nancy and Patsy Murphy
Christy Maguire, 3rd An
Martin Whelan

9.00am Michael Christopher and deceased members of Christopher & Heaney families

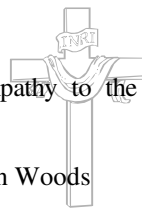
10.30am Matthew Minogue
Nan and Paddy McGuinness

12 noon Eileen Mullins, 7th An
Fiona McKinney, 1st An
Mick and Nancy Murphy
Maura Mernagh
George and Simon McNulty

Nicholas McNulty

Jerome Linehan

5.30pm Olive Smith



CLONBURRIS

Mass Intentions

Saturday 23rd November

6.30pm Madge and Patrick Buggle An.
James Duffy An.

Sunday 24th November

11.00am Patrick Farrelly An.
Marie Morris An.
Stephen Morris An.
Stephen Morris Jnr.
Thomas Dowling R.D.

REMEMBRANCE MASS FOR DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Bethany Bereavement Support Group is hosting the 5.30pm Mass this evening for all who died in the Parish during the past year. They invite families and friends to the Mass and for a chat and cuppa in the Pastoral Centre afterwards.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS' SOCIETY MEETING

The next monthly meeting of St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society will be held on Wednesday morning, 27th November in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass and new members always welcome

ADVENT FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Each Wednesday during Advent there will be a Faith Development session based on the "Catholicism Series" by Fr. Robert Barron. The format of the sessions begins with a half hour viewing of a DVD from the series followed by a presentation and discussion of issues raised. It will be facilitated by Fr. Pdraig O'Sullivan
Venue: upstairs in Parish Pastoral Centre
Times: 8pm to 10pm, **Wednesday 4th, 11th and 18th December**

As numbers are limited it is necessary to register with your name and phone no. on the list available in the Sacristy.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Dinner and entertainment for Senior Citizens of Clondalkin area will be held on Wednesday 4th December at 4.00pm in Laurel's, Clondalkin. Santa will be making an appearance - spot prizes
For tickets please contact 087 6914114

"SPITFIRE GRILL"

Srueleen Sacred Heart Film Club resumes next Friday 29th November with the moving & inspiring 'The Spitfire Grill' winner of a Sundance Film Festival Award - a tender story about choices, new directions and second chances. 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre, St John's Drive. All welcome.

Fr. Michael

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks €2,104 – your contributions this week

MONDAY CLUB

We were delighted to meet Séamus McEntee when he called to visit us last Monday. Séamus was ordained to the Diaconate in the Pro-Cathedral last Thursday week. He made time to talk to us and stayed for a cup of tea.

Kathleen and I, on our return from the Holy Land gave a talk on our trip. Fr. Damian has sanctioned a DVD screening for the 9th December and anyone interested is cordially invited.

Next week we will have our Quiz and we'd like to have a good turnout for it.

As the year of Faith officially ends this weekend please remember **that the door to faith is always open.**

Looking forward to seeing you
Joan