

POPE PIUS X –PART 11

Last week we looked at the reforms introduced by Pope St. Pius X after his election in 1903.

The most difficult controversy he had to deal with was what became known as “Modernism” and he wrote forcefully on this issue. Modernism is not easy to explain but a useful starting point is to compare it to Jansenism heresy which first appeared on the scene in the 1600’s. The Jansenists proposed an extreme vigourism in the practice of the faith. For them it was almost impossible to be saved – salvation would only be granted by God to a tiny minority. Jansenism was ultimately refuted with St. Alphonsus Ligouri being the most prominent of those who argued effectively against it. Living the spiritual life must be neither too hard nor too easy. When it is too difficult as the Jansenists proposed God is almost impossible to find. When it is too easy as in worldly philosophies God is so accessible that there is no challenge to developing our faith. We need to work hard on it using the God given grace available to us and at the same time prudently enjoy the good things of the material world.

In a way it could be said that Modernism is the opposite of Jansenism – it is a watering down of faith to compromise with the culture of the world. There is an exaggerated focus on this world with an overemphasis on the material at the expense of the spiritual. The church is seen more as a political and sociological entity rather than the supernatural presence of God among his people. Modernism died down for a while but resurfaced in a different guise and was particularly prominent in the post Vatican II Church during the Pontificate of Paul VI.

Pope Pius X motto was to “restore all things in Christ”.

We ask for his intercession to play our part in restoring Christ in our families, community, church and society.

Fr. Padraig

(Continued from last week)

OPEN DAY – REGISTRATION FOR 2014/2015

St. Dominic’s Secondary School
Ballyfermot, Tel: 016266493 -
www.stdominicsballyfermot.ie

Open day – 12th September 2.30pm to 6.30pm
‘Building belief, Achieving success,
shaping the future’

Further information from:

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Members of Pastoral Council please note:
next meeting on Tuesday in the Pastoral
Centre at 8pm

CHILDREN’S CORNER

Colette Kisamungu is this week’s winner.
Congratulations Colette! Your prize is
waiting to be picked up by you from the
Sacristy after Mass today

THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

Today, 8th September, is a
special Feast Day of Our
Lady. What Feast are we
celebrating? (Clue in the
picture)



Your entries by Tuesday
evening – email
ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net
or to the Sacristy 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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HAVE YOU A DATE FOR CONFIRMATION?

I was visiting a friend’s house during the week and I asked Stephen, his son who happens to be my Godchild had he a date for his Confirmation? A puzzled look came over his face and he asked me what I meant? So I repeated the question and he replied that he didn’t realise he needed to bring a girlfriend to his Confirmation. Maybe it is a generational thing but I find that I need to clarify my questions with younger people. I gather I don’t ask young adults are you doing a line with someone!!!!

Back to the original question, we usually have four and sometimes five Confirmation and First Communion ceremonies each year in our parish and I realise that families need to prepare in advance particularly if relations are booking flights in advance so it is not surprising that we are asked for the dates already. I have spoken before about a need for some realism and honesty when it comes to the sacraments and preparation for same. Traditionally it was left to the schools, who do an excellent job and the children of our local schools will be joining us regularly for the 10am Mass but without the support from home the task of preparation is left to those with least influence on the child.

Parents and guardians who don’t practice their faith on a regular basis and who have no intention of doing so with their children in the future should really ask themselves why they are enrolling their child in the program in the first place? If you are reading this at Mass it doesn’t apply to you, so what is it that brings you here on a regular basis and is there anything we could do to encourage the parents to join their children in the sacramental preparation program?

Fr. Damian

ADORATION

This Thursday, 12th September Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **in the: Church** : from after 10am Mass to 11.45am
Church: 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome.

EARLY START TO THE PRAYER MEETING

This Wednesday, 11th September the Rosary – Mysteries of Light will be recited in the Prayer Group at 7.30pm, prior to Prayer Meeting starting in the Parish Pastoral Centre at 8pm and all are welcome.

LECTIO DIVINA RESUMES

The Lectio Divina meetings will commence on Tuesday, 10th September in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass and Rosary and all are welcome
Sr. Anne

PARISH “FATIMA” PILGRIMAGE DEPARTS

The Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima leaves on Wednesday. We wish all participants a safe and happy time there and looking forward to their return. We ask them to remember us in their prayers and our thoughts will be with them.

MINISTERS’ OF THE EUCHARIST ROSTERS

Rosters for Ministers of the Eucharist are now available for collection from the Sacristy

NOTICES

Monday 9th September

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.
Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 7.30pm. New members are welcome

DEATHS

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

Marie Guerin, Michael Collin’s Park

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.

“THANK YOU”

To all the Parish Staff and Parishioners I want to thank you for letting The Carers Association do church gate collections last weekend after each Mass

The collection was very successful as we raised €515 which is greatly appreciated and much needed funds.

Cathy White

ANNIVERSARIES

Tuesday 10th September

10.00am Kathleen Reeves

Thursday 12th September

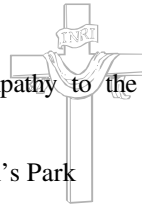
7.30am Peadar Kinane
10.00am Eddie Holohan
Special Intention

Friday 13th September

10.00am Martin, Nora and Pat Stokes

Sunday 15th September

7.30pm (Vigil) Betty Clarke, 7th An
10.30am William Cashin
David and Ellen Minogue
Patrick McCabe
Tadhg O’Neill, 4th An
Paddy Loughnane, 10th An
and Sadie Loughnane
12 Noon Niamh, Bill and Rory McDonnell
Martin and Nora Stokes
and Pat Stokes
Michelle Devaney, MM



CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions

Saturday 7th August

6.30pm Brian Cruise M.M.

Sunday 8th September

11.00am Rosaleen Williams 2nd An.
Gerard McKenna B.R.
Jeffrey McVeigh An.
Jim Smith M.M.

Competition Winner

Congratulations to Aaron Bevan this week’s winner. Your prize can be collected after Mass today.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK on SUNDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2013

Bus to knock departs from TESCO Clondalkin at 7.55am

FARE: €19.00

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“SCHOOL OF THE WORD”

School of the Word is a free workshop by Fr. Kieran O’Mahony OSA. It will take place in St. Mark’s Junior National School (across the road from the St. Mark’s parish church, Maplewood Road, Springfield, Tallaght). School of the word is an introduction to the Bible and addresses this need in a practical way by focusing on the Sunday readings.

The Monday evenings, for the first part on the Gospel are as follows: 9th and 30th of September, 14th and 21st of October and 4th of November. If you are interested, please register your name with the St. Mark’s parish Secretary (Springfield) as soon as possible on 01 462 0777 or Parish Pastoral Worker Saule Cameron on 085 801 8987.

“THANK YOU”

The Irish Wheelchair Association acknowledges with thanks your welcome contribution of €1,000 at their recent Church gate collection. They ensure all contributors that these funds will help to achieve their aim of greater independence, freedom and choice for 20,000 members living with disability throughout Ireland.

CHURCH DUTY

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

Altar Linen: Mary Leonard

Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove to 12th September, Maura Gaffney from 13th to 26th

MONDAY CLUB

We were absolutely thrilled last Monday when we arrived back and saw the lovely cakes and welcome card from our friend Séan Browne. Séan! Thank you so much, they were delicious!

After our break it was great meeting again and catching up on all the news.

We had a phone call and letter from the Hospice in Harold’s Cross asking for our help. We decided to have our “Coffee Morning” on Monday 16th and will have an “Open Day” with homemade cakes and coffee/tea for all who wish to support this worthy cause.

Next week we will have a talk on the “gathering of all residents in the Hollywood area, which featured life pre-Vatican 11 and computers! – a trip down memory lane

Looking forward to seeing you all

Thought for the week – “Be not afraid!
Seamus Heaney’s last words

Joan Steed

PS: The Monday Club is open to all and NO invitation is required!