

Church of the Holy Name, Beechwood Avenue Upper, Ranelagh, Dublin 6.

Celebrating 100 years – 1914 to 2014

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Newsletter: Sunday 12th January 2014

Mass times

Daily Mass Monday to Friday at 10.00am

Vigil Mass Saturday at 6.15pm

Sunday 10.00 (Irish) and 11.30am (Family Mass)

Masses on Holy Days :Vigil Mass of the Holy Day at 7.30pm with Masses on the day at 10.00am and 7.30pm

Confessions before and after Saturday Mass.

Baptisms

The parish baptisms are held on the first Saturday and last Sunday of each month at 12.30pm. Prior booking with the Parish Administrator is essential. A copy of the child's civil birth certificate must be provided at the time the booking is made. Please note also that godparents must be at least 16 years of age and must be confirmed.

Wedding bookings strictly by appointment with the Parish Administrator.

Child Protection Representative contactable via childprotection@beechwoodparish.com or through the Parish Office.

Ministers of the Eucharist

6.15 pm D. McCarthy

10.00am Yvonne Cooney, S. Clarke

11.30am Mary McCormack, Carmel Shanahan, M. Burke

Minister attending Gascoigne Home

Nora Palmer

Collections for last weekend

First collection € 648

Second collection € 525

Shrines/books/family offerings € 425

Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sunday 12th 10.00am pro populo

11.30am Deceased members of

Beechwood Bridge Club

Monday 13th 10.00am Special Intention

Tuesday 14th 10.00am Paulette Sweeney (RD)

Wednesday 15th 10.00am John Garvey (A)

Thursday 16th 10.00am Sean Brady (RD)

Friday 17th 10.00am Liam Philbin (RD)

Saturday 18th 6.15pm Fiachra Flanagan (A)

Church Unity Octave 2014

Church Unity Octave takes place each year between 18th and 25th January. This year it is the turn of our parish to host the annual ecumenical service. This will take place here in Beechwood on Sunday 19th January 2014 at 3pm. All are welcome to attend. There will be refreshments served afterwards in the Community Centre on Mountain View Road.

Christmas Dues

We thank everyone who has returned their Christmas Dues. The dues are remitted in their entirety to the Dublin Archdiocese and are used to pay the salaries of those priests in active ministry in the diocese and for the support of sick and retired priests.

The Letter of Pope Francis: "*Joy of evangelisation*" is available at the back of the church. It is very much the blueprint for the plans of Pope Francis and his outlook for the church today. Please take to read.

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Refurbishment Works to the Parish Church and Presbyteries have been ongoing since 2011/12.

The works approved by the Parish Pastoral Council had 3 key objectives;

- a) to preserve the physical structures
- b) to ensure the church is attractive, comfortable and accessible for all
- c) to ensure it is fit for our centenary celebrations.

The total cost is estimated at €300,000. This figure includes VAT and professional fees.

The works are being supervised by Dixon, McGaver Nolan Architects with the support of a Mechanical/Electrical engineer and a Quantity Surveyor.

The major works (phases 2 and 3) have been subject to competitive Tenders and required the approval of the Archdiocese Finance and Buildings Committees.

Phase 1; Completed-€45,875

General

- New Alarm system €8,182
- Necessary repairs to Presbyteries €16,730
- Tree removal €7,945
- Notice Boards €3,700
- Church roof €9,228

Phase 2; Completed-€55,000.

(a) Church Heating ; new gas Boilers are now fully operational (c€50,000). The boilers are more efficient and flexible and the payback is estimated at 7/10 years.

(b) Church Sound: some additional speakers and better alignment has significantly improved the sound quality. (c€5,000)

Phase 3; Church External and Internal Works --Commencing Tuesday 14th January 2014; The estimated cost is €200,000.

The major and most disruptive works on refurbishing the church and sacristy will begin this month. The church will close after 10.00am Mass on weekdays except for agreed weddings, baptisms or funerals. Weekend Masses will be as usual.

The works include the following:

- (a) Essential works to the physical structure of the church, including roof, attics, walls. This includes insulation in the roof areas.
- (b) Disability access at the Albany Road entrance- includes automated doors and handrails
- (c) full draught proofing of all the doors
- (d) upgrade of the church interior to include cleaning, floor sanding and full painting.
- (e) realignment and reduction of seating at rear of Church

Funding

These works have been made possible by the sale proceeds of the Parish house at 21 Cullenswood Gardens. Contributions to a Development Fund will be sought later in the year from all our parishioners in order to maintain appropriate financial reserves for the parish.

If you have any queries or concerns about the works you may contact the Chair of the Parish Council or the Chair of the Parish Finance Committee.

We appreciate your patience and understanding while this work is ongoing.