

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

Celebrating 100 years – 1914 to 2014

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Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ex 17:22-24,

Psalm 91:2-3, 13-16, R/ cf. v2

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 2 Cor 5:6-10

Gospel Mk 4:26-34

## Mass times

Daily Mass Monday to Saturday 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](mailto:childprotection@beechwoodparish.com) or through the Parish Office.

Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off or in silent mode.

We request that children be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times while in the church.

## Ministers of the Eucharist 14<sup>th</sup> June

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

## Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> 10.00am pro populo

11.30am Norma Costello  
(Months Mind)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Fr John Dove (A) and  
Daphne Byrne (A)

6.15pm Attracta Lavin (1<sup>st</sup> A)

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 10.00am pro populo

11.30am Denis Convery (A) and  
also remembering Betty Sinnott (A)

## Collections for last weekend

1<sup>st</sup> Collection €715

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection €638

Shrines/books/family offering €338

There will be a meeting of St Josephs Young Priests Society in the Parish Office on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June from 6.45pm to 7.45pm. All are welcome.

The Annual Golden Years Tea and Coffee morning takes place in the Parish Centre on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 10.30am to 1pm.

This is the annual fundraiser for the Golden Years Christmas Party and your generous support is very much welcomed.

There will be Mass in Bohernabreena Cemetery at 3pm on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

'Grow In Love' is the new Religious Education series for Catholic Primary schools. The first two programs for Junior and Senior Infants will be available for use in schools in September 2015.

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**Dear Parishioners**

I congratulate all concerned at Beechwood as we welcome our Papal Nuncio, His Excellency *Archbishop Charles Brown*, to our parish. Much work has been done in the last year to ensure our Centenary celebrations have been a fitting tribute to our beautiful church and the role it has played in the life of the local community since 1914.

The church underwent significant refurbishment works last year and I thank once again all of you who were so generous with your support for these works. Success is never a singular adventure and here I thank our Parish Finance Committee and salute the generosity of our parishioners. Our *Centenary Appeal fundraising campaign* has almost reached the target of €250,000 which is a great testament to parishioners particularly in light of recent recessionary times. We may be confident in knowing we have invested in the next hundred years of faith at Beechwood.

We have experienced a great increase in baptisms from approximately thirty to sixty per year and numbers have increased again this year. We welcome all these new members of our Christian faith. Our monthly 'Do this in Memory of Me' schools programme has involved three local schools in church life and also has brought together parents to organise these liturgies.

Our Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Committee and Liturgy Committee meet regularly to review the life of faith and respond accordingly. This involvement of laity is most welcome.

There are a number of people I wish to thank; Anne Dollard (Chair of Parish Pastoral Council) and Parish Pastoral Council members, Pat O'Connor (Chair of Parish Finance Committee) and Finance Committee members, Mary Newman (Parish Secretary) Sr. Teresa McAllister (Parish Sister) Margaret Brennan and David K'Eogh (Sacristans), Paula Slattery and all who are Ministers of the Word, Nora Palmer and all who are Ministers of the Eucharist, Louis

Eves and all of those who count the collections here every week, Gabrielle Marry who looks after our First Friday visits, our Liturgy team who help to prepare liturgies for special events. I also want to thank those who clean the church every week and those who arrange flowers. Your work is very much appreciated.

Music plays an important role in our weekly liturgies and I wish to thank our *Irish Mass Choir*, our Children's Choir under the direction of Madelene Grant Nelson, and David K'Eogh and Albert Llussa who prepare Beechwood Schola Cantorum. Our proud association with the Jesuit community in Milltown has strengthened the faith in our parish over the years. The Jesuit motto '*Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*' has become our faith endeavour and we have benefited much from our association with them.

Last December we welcomed President Higgins, and his wife, to our Irish Mass. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin celebrated Mass with us in February. We hosted a series of Lectures from Abbot Hederman of Glenstal, Fr. Michail McGreil, Professor Emeritus Patrick Masterson, and Fr. Sean MacDonagh all of which highlighted the necessary developments of our Church. Our local Church of Ireland Ministers Rev. Sonia Giles, and Marie O'Farrell, joined us for a Good Friday walk and Sonia led us in a Centenary evening prayer.

We received an Ikon of the Holy Name by Luis Alvarez, from very generous parishioners. This will be blessed today and will be placed in the church. You can find out more about our Ikon on our parish website [www.beechwoodparish.com](http://www.beechwoodparish.com)

Let us continue then, remembering the two pillars of success - *working together, and generosity*, build community.

*Ad Multos Annus*

Fr. Bernard Kennedy, Administrator.