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

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Newsletter 15th March 2015

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1st Reading 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 **Psalm Ps 136 R / v.6** 2nd Reading Eph 2: 4-10 Gospel Jn 3:14-21

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 childprotection@beechwooodparish.com or through the Parish Office.

Please ensure that mobile phones are switched off or turned to silent.

We would that children ask accompanied by parents/guardians at all times while in the church.

Ministers of the Eucharist 15th March

6.15 pm Joe McFadden

10.00am P. Knight, Matt McHugh

11.30am Rita Lovett, Catherine O'Dwyer,

Caoimhe O'Brien

Minister attending Gascoigne Home

S. Clarke and M. Stokes

Mass Intentions for the coming week Saturday 14th 10.00am Jim McCann (RD)

6.15pm

Sunday 15th 10.00am Doreen &

Dominic Keaveny (A)

11.30am pro populo

Monday 16th 10.00am William Kiely (RD)

Tuesday 17th 10.00am Thomas Byrne (RD)

11.30am Patrick O'Leary (A)

Wednesday 18th 10.00am Thomas Byrne (RD)

Thursday 19th 10.00am Friday 20th 10.00am

Saturday 21st 10.00am

6.15pm

Please pray for the repose of the soul of the late Owen McElroy (Dunville Avenue) whose funeral took place last week. May he rest in peace. We offer our sympathy to his bereaved family.

Collections for last weekend

1st €752

2nd €673

Shrines/books/family offering €422

St Patrick's Day

Tuesday 17th March – Feast of St Patrick.

There will be Mass at 7.30pm on Monday 16th March. Masses will be at 10.00am and 11.30am on 17th March. Shamrock will be distributed at Masses.

There will no evening Mass on 17th March.

An Ecumenical Lenten/Easter Liturgical Service of Sacred Scripture and Sacred Music will take place here in the church on Sunday 22nd March at 7.30pm.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society

There will be a meeting on Monday 16th March in the Parish Office from 6.45pm to 7.45pm. All are welcome.

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Parish Office (church grounds) opening hours Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 9.30am - 1pm Mary Newman Parish Secretary Tel (01) 4967449 email info@beechwoodparish.com Sr. Teresa McAllister Parish Sister c/o Parish Office, Tel 01 (4967449)

Confirmations

We extend our congratulations to all the children who were confirmed here in the last week. His Grace, Archbishop Martin, confirmed children from Sandford Parish National School last Saturday and Fr Eddie Griffim confirmed children from Scoil Bhride on Friday. These are great days of celebration in our parish.

We pray for the children from Lios na nOg who will be confirmed by Fr Eddie Griffin on Wednesday 25th May. We would like to thank all of those who work so hard to have the church looking beautiful for these special days.

Habitat for Humanity

Students from Gonzaga College will be making an appeal next weekend. We ask for your support.

Important message from Archdiocese

Experience has shown that during political campaigns, Churches, because of their public accessibility, are prone to the placement of political and campaigning literature. In light of the announcement that some Referendums will be held later this year; parishes are reminded that:

- · Churches are not appropriate places for the distribution of literature of a purely electoral or campaigning nature, during referendums or election campaigns;
- Every effort should be made to ensure that churches are not used for the dissemination of campaign literature from any source.
- Parish Priests and Rectors of Churches are responsible for verifying the appropriateness of any publications which are on sale or distributed gratis in their Churches or grounds.
- · Campaign material should in no circumstance be distributed through schools.

Synod on the Family

We have begun discussions on the Synod on the Family as requested by Archbishop Martin last January. It may be useful for that the documents know vou to circulated at the time, and a number of **Homilies** from **Archbishop** Martin addressing the topic of the Synod, are still available online on the Diocesan website. Another useful guide is a series of questions which were compiled by Fr. Aidan Ryan of Ardagh and Clomacnoise for this month's Furrow magazine.

- How are people being helped to see the value of lifelong commitment in marriage? How can people be helped to see how faith in God can enrich marriage and sustain couples in lifelong love?
- How can couples who live together be encouraged to consider marriage?
- How can couples who are recently married be supported?
- When are families most in need of help? How can they best be helped when life is difficult?
- How can we support gay people and their families
- How can we help and motivate parents in passing on the faith to their children?

Survey forms are available at the back of the church. Please return completed survey forms to us and we will forward them to the Archdiocese.