

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

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Newsletter: Sunday 22nd September

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for today

First Reading Amos 8:4-7

Amos champions the poor and indicts the misuse of wealth.

Second Reading 1 Tim 2:1-8

We can show concern for all in our prayers.

Gospel Luke 16:1-13

Jesus exhorts us to be trustworthy.

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.

Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sunday 22nd 10.00am pro populo

11.30am John K'Eogh (A)

Monday 23rd 10.00am Emer O'Donoghue (RD)

Tuesday 24th 10.00am Special intention

Wednesday 25th 10.00am John Morgan (A)

Thursday 26th 10.00am

Friday 27th 10.00am

Saturday 28th 6.15pm Michael Cassidy (4thA)

also remembering Eithne Cassidy

Collections for last weekend

First collection € 765

Second collection € 572

Shrines/books/family offerings € 154

Ministers of the Eucharist 21st/22nd September

6.15 pm F. Murphy

10.00am M. Keane

11.30am C. Carew, L. Eves, G. Marry

Minister attending Gascoigne Home

F. Murphy

Hospice Coffee Morning

We are delighted to let you know that €2,300 was raised at the Hospice Coffee morning in O'Halloran's, Upper Beechwood Avenue on Thursday last. Many thanks to all who contributed in any way to ensuring the success of this day!

Sacristy news

We say goodbye and thank you to Brian Locke who has been with us as part of the sacristy team since April of last year. We are very grateful to Brian for all the work he did here in Beechwood and we wish him well. We welcome back Margaret Brennan who will be our sacristan on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays. David K'Eogh will undertake sacristan duties on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who work behind the scenes in the sacristy to ensure the smooth running of our Masses. We very much appreciate all that they do.

Lourdes report from Sheila de Courcy

All safely back from Lourdes after a very successful pilgrimage. The weather was mixed but we had two lovely sunny days and we were blessed with a fine morning for the opening Mass at the Grotto celebrated by Dr Martin Archbishop of Dublin and assisted by 34 priests. Mass was followed by a gathering on the steps of the Basilica for the group photograph. A copy of this was given to all the invalids.

There were over two thousand people on the Dublin Pilgrimage and this included 180 invalids, many 6th year students as well as a

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large number of young people who came back again having first come when attending school. The helpfulness and good humour of the young is very much appreciated by the invalids.

Thanks to the generosity of the Beechwood Parishioners and carefully monitored by our treasurer, Noreen Foyle, the fares of the three invalids representing us were paid and Mass was arranged for the intentions of the Administrator and Parishioners as well as a candle lit near the Grotto in their name. The remaining 5 Euro was put in the donation box in the Grotto.

There is now 30 Euro to start the fund next year. The town of Lourdes is bravely coming to terms after the severe flooding in June. 35 hotels/guest houses are closed as a result and two bridges connecting the Accueil with the domain were swept away. There is a temporary bridge in place. However all carried on as usual and the baths, stations shopping and the Blessed Sacrament Procession to the underground Basilica as well as Blessing of the sick in St. Bernadette Church continued as normal with the torchlight procession being led by the Dublin Pilgrimage on the second last evening.

First Holy Communion 2014

The diocesan program "Do this in Memory of Me" for children preparing for First Holy Communion will be starting soon. We invite parents of children from Scoil Bride, Lios na n'Og and Sandford Parish National school to a meeting here in the church at 8pm next Wednesday 25th September where information will be given about the programme and how parents may help their children during the year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Patricia Taylor who has been very involved in the running of the programme here in Beechwood for the last number of years and who has now stepped down from this role. Her input and organisational skills have been invaluable and we very much appreciate her work.

Thought for the day

"The view of the church's teaching as a monolith to defend without nuance or different understandings is wrong" (Pope Francis - Americamagazine.org)

The Ranelagh Singers under the direction of Rosemary O'Brien are delighted to present

"Come with me, under my coat"

A memorable evening of choral music including works by Bruckner, Schmidt, Gjeilo, Biebl and Messiaen. Introduced by Ellen Cranitch of RTE Lyric FM.

Guest Soloists

- Abbie McDonagh (violin)
- David Carmody (French Horn)

at 8.00 p.m. Saturday 28th September 2013 in Sandford Church, Sandford Road.

Admission €15 Concessions €10

Want to make a difference? Give a child the gift of reading.

Barnardos is looking for adults aged 55 years and older with time on their hands, lots of life experience and an enjoyment of reading for a volunteer reading programme for schools.

Volunteers will provide one-to-one reading sessions to children in 1st and 2nd class who need some extra help with their reading. The sessions occur 2 to 3 times a week for 30 minutes each and the volunteer will be asked to read with 2 children on each visit which happen during school hours.

No teaching experience is required, although teachers are welcome, as Barnardos provides full training and on-going to support all volunteers.

We need you to give us a few hours a week to help each child build a relationship with the same person, as this helps with their reading.

The 2 schools taking part in the programme are located in Dublin 8 and Dublin 10.

Some of the volunteers who have worked with us have said: "It's enjoyable and very easy", "It is like reading with your grandchildren", "It's not as difficult as you might imagine!", "Children love it and feel special and you bond with the child"

For more information or to register please contact Suzanne Connolly, Barnardos Volunteer Service, on 01 7080431 or

email volunteers@barnardos.ie