

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

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## Newsletter 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016

Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading

Psalm Ps

Second Reading

Gospel

### 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.

### Ministers of the Eucharist 1<sup>st</sup> May

6.15 pm F. Murphy

10.00am Joe Foyle

11.30am Catherine Carew, Caoimhe O'Brien, Gabrielle Marry

### Minister attending Gascoigne Home

Mary Keane

### Collections for last weekend

1<sup>st</sup> collection € 597

2<sup>nd</sup> collection € 1083

Trocaire boxes 129

Shrines/books/family offering € 700

### Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> 10.00am Peg McGrath (A)

11.30am Richard Doggett (27<sup>th</sup> A)

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.00am

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Andrew Horne (A)

Peter Kelly (A)

6.15pm Ingrid Hipolito de Assis  
(1<sup>st</sup> A)

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

11.30am

We pray for the repose of the soul of the late May Grant (Elmwood Avenue) whose funeral was held here this week. May she rest in peace. We offer our sympathy to her bereaved family. We pray for all our faithful departed. May they rest in peace.

### First Holy Communion Masses

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am Lios na nOg

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am Sandford Parish  
National School

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 11.30am Scoil Bhride

NB: The English Mass on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May will be at 10.00am

We pray for all the children who will receive First Holy Communion here during the month of May. We also pray for their parents, families and teachers.

### Corpus Christi Sunday 29th May

A special sung Evening Prayer at 7.30pm, with Scola Nomine Jesu including Corpus Christi procession. All parishioners, ministers and volunteers asked to take part including Holy Communion classes with families and teachers.

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## Joy of Love – Amor Letitia

The exhortation by Pope Francis - Amor Letitia - joy of love- is available after all Masses this weekend. Here are bullet points of main ideas involved. Please read exhortation slowly to appreciate the subtlety and suggestion. Remember too it is an exhortation. It removes the idea that life is black and white as we know that life is a rainbow color really. Nobody is either or. The dogmatic approach to life is not one bounded by love whereas we are people of mercy and understanding. Each week we can use aspects for reflection and self examination. There is good commentary on the website of the Association of Catholic priests. I have taken the points from a wonderful article by Fr Brendan Hoban.

*Fr. Bernard Kennedy ADM*

- Church law needs to be placed in pastoral and cultural perspective
- The primacy of the individual conscience has to be respected
- Priests and bishops, in dealing with marriage and family life, shouldn't throw ideals at people like stones but be aware and accepting of mitigating factors
- Women who are struggling for 'liberation' are doing God's work
- Don't describe anyone as 'intrinsically disordered'
- Don't describe any couple as 'living in sin'
- What makes sense pastorally in one country may even seem out of place in another.
- He's commended, to married couples, the role of desires, emotions, feelings, passion and sexuality in marriage.
- Sexual desire is a good thing; the erotic is a gift from God; sexual pleasure in marriage should be celebrated and nurtured
- People in non-traditional families need to be offered 'understanding, comfort and acceptance'.
- He's pointed a direction for those in second marriages to receive Communion.
- He's brought respect for the individual into the heart of the Church.
- He's extended the net of belonging to everyone – all are welcome in the Church.

## Meeting re Child Safeguarding and Protection

Child Protection and Safeguarding Trainer for the Archdiocese, Garry Kehoe, treated staff and volunteers here in the Parish to a lively information session recently. He began with a prayer to the Holy Spirit, going on to update us on the what, why, who, and how, of safeguarding our children. He reminded us of the Gospel message that caring for our children is the practical living out of the baptismal vocation of every member of the Church, to ensure the safety and well being of those "little ones" whom The Lord sets before us, as those to whom "the kingdom of God belongs" ( Mt.19 : 14) Garry went on to advise on the practicalities of working or volunteering in the Church at present, such as the need for Garda vetting as a requirement. It was felt that the session was practical and very well presented. The session will be repeated on Thursday 5th May @7.30pm in the Parish Community Centre. If you work or volunteer in the church – in any capacity – we would ask that you attend. Philip Daly and Anne Dollard, Child Protection Officers @ Beechwood.

## Tai Chi Classes

Sr. Cora Richardson ran classes during Lent which were very successful. All who attended loved her classes. Sr. Cora has a beautiful smile, a loving and kind personality and is a wonderful teacher. Thank you Sr. Cora from all your Tai Chi class members!

Sr. Cora has trained Madelene Grant Nelson (our Childrens' and Youth Choir Director) in all of the Tai Chi Shibashi 18 movements. The exercises are slow, gentle and controlled and beautiful relaxing music is played. Classes are held on Mondays at 2.30pm sharp in Beechwood Avenue Parish Centre on Mountain View Road. Please arrive in plenty of time and wear loose clothing and comfortable shoes and also bring water.

All are most welcome!

## Lost and found!

A sum of money was found at the Beechwood Luas stop and handed into the Parish Office. Please contact us if you think it may be yours.