



# Church of the Holy Name

Beechwood Avenue , Ranelagh

Parish Newsletter

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## Parish Office

**Secretaries Mary Newman &  
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Opening hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Friday **9.30am to 1.30pm**

Thursday **10.30am to 12.30pm**

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## Parish Pastoral Council

**Chair:** Mrs Anne Dollard

## Parish Finance Committee

**Chair :** Mr Pat O'Connor

**We welcome items for publishing in the weekly newsletter. If you wish to submit an item please send it to us by **10.00am on Tuesday** for publication on the following Sunday. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please let us know.**

**Sunday 27 August 2017**

## **SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Matthew 16:13-20**

- 1. This marks a turning point in the life of Jesus and of the disciples. It is the first time that his disciples recognise him as the Messiah. Recall turning points in your own life when you came to some deeper understanding of who Jesus is.**
- 2. 'Who do you say that I am?' This is possibly the most important question that Jesus puts to us. In your heart of hearts, how do you answer this question?**
- 3. Jesus praises Peter for his faith and comments that this was not his own doing but a gift of God. Perhaps there have been times when you have been more than usually conscious that faith is a gift. Be thankful for the gift you have received.**
- 4. These are troubled times for the Church and the promise of Jesus that 'the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it' are an encouragement. What helps you to draw strength from this promise of Jesus? What signs of hope do you see in the Church today?**

John Byrne osa

**Mass Times**

Monday to Saturday 10.00am

Vigil Mass Saturday 6.15pm

Sunday 10.00am (Irish)

Sunday 11.30am (Family Mass)

**Holy Days**

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

**Confessions** before and after Saturday Masses

**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 see our website for more detailed information.

**Wedding** bookings are strictly by appointment with the Parish Administrator.

**Child Protection Representatives** may be contacted at [childprotection@beechwoodparish.com](mailto:childprotection@beechwoodparish.com) or through the Parish Office.

**First Friday Visits**

Communion is brought to our ill or housebound parishioners on the First Friday of every month. If you, or someone you know, would like a First Friday visit, please let us know.

**Ministers of the Eucharist 27th August**

6.15pm Joe McFadden

10.00am P. Knight, Matt McHugh

11.30am David K'Eogh, Mary Burke

Gascoigne Home Catherine Carew

**Mass Intentions for coming week**

**Sunday 27th**

10.00am Ita Shipsey (RD)

11.30am Bernard Boylan (A)

**Monday 28th**

10.00am

**Tuesday 29th**

10.00am Una Durkan (A)

**Wednesday 30th**

10.00am

**Thursday 31st**

10.00am

**Friday 1st**

10.00am Altar List of the Dead

**Saturday 2nd**

10.00am

6.15pm Philomena McClean (2nd A) & Thomas McClean (RD)

**Sunday 3rd**

10.00am

11.30am Farewell Mass Fr Bernard

**We pray for all our deceased loved ones. May they rest in peace.**

**We also remember all those in our community who are ill or housebound and all those who care for them.**

**Recent Collections**

**15th August / 20th August**

**1st Collection €238 / €623**

**2nd Collection €152 / €524**

**Shrines, books, family offering €443**

**Thank you for your support**

**The 1st collection is remitted in full to the Dublin Diocese and is used for the support of the priests who are in active ministry in the Diocese and also for those who are ill or retired.**

**The Share collection is also remitted in full to the Dublin Diocese and is used to support parishes who are in need of financial assistance.**

**Christmas and Easter Dues are also remitted in full to the Dublin Diocese.**

Farewell to Fr Bernard

Dear Parishioners,

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, we will say farewell to Fr Bernard Kennedy, ADM, as he departs for the Parish of Enniskerry and associated parishes as Parish Priest. Fr Bernard will celebrate a special Mass and gentle Benediction with us on that Sunday at 11.30am. We will then proceed to the Parish Pastoral and Community Centre for refreshments.

As you know, Fr Bernard has ministered to us for the past fourteen years sharing our happy and sad occasions with the greatest care. We are now considering a suitable gift for him and several parishioners have expressed the view that a monetary gift is the most suitable form of gift. If you wish to be associated with this initiative, please use the printed envelopes available at each door of the church. If you would like to receive an acknowledgement, please include your name and address or email address on the envelope.

Donations may be handed into the Parish Office or you may wish to see Fr Bernard personally at 67 Edenvale Road.

We hope you will be there on 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 11.30 Mass and afterwards at the Centre.

Bígí Linn!

Anne Dollard

Chair

Beechwood Parish Pastoral Council

Pat O'Connor

Chair

Parish Finance Committee



In your prayers please remember

Sr Greta O'Reilly

Holy Rosary Sister, Temple Road  
whose funeral took place this week  
May she rest in peace

The Altar Society here in Beechwood would like to thank the parishioner who gave a donation for the flowers used in the church during August. The support is very much appreciated.

Sandford and St. Philip's Choral Union

The grouped parishes of Sandford and St. Philip's will establish a new Choral Union this autumn. It will be open to the local community, parishioners and school parents who might wish to participate in choral singing.

If you are interested in joining this venture, please contact David O'Shea ([doshea3@gmail.com](mailto:doshea3@gmail.com)) for more information.

Kneeling by R.S. Thomas

Moments of great calm,  
Kneeling before an altar  
Of wood in a stone church  
In summer, waiting for the God  
To speak; the air a staircase  
For silence; the sun's light  
Ringing me, as though I acted  
A great role. And the audiences  
Still; all that close throng  
Of spirits waiting, as I,  
For the message.  
Prompt me, God;  
But not yet. When I speak,  
Though it be you who speak  
Through me, something is lost.  
The meaning is in the waiting.

The Tai Chi Beginners exercise class commence on Monday September 4th from 2.30pm—3.30pm in the Parish Pastoral and Community Centre. This is a very slow exercise class with beautiful relaxing music. All are welcome to join or come along on the day.

Contact Madelene (086) 8665129