



Church of the Holy Name

Beechwood Avenue , Ranelagh

Parish Newsletter

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Parish Pastoral Council

Chair: Mrs Anne Dollard

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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 10TH SEPTEMBER 2017

SEEING YOUR LIFE

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

Matthew 18:15-20

- 1. At the time Matthew was writing his gospel local church communities would have numbered no more than fifty people. They would be known to one another. Matthew presents the instructions of Jesus for dealing with people whose behaviour disrupted and harmed the community. Note the steps suggested. Simple directions, but many of us do otherwise. We avoid difficult confrontations. We talk about the faults of others to everyone but themselves. We go over the head of someone who displeases us and make complaints. In your experience, which approach is life-giving for you and for others?**
- 2. While Jesus is referring to a group situation the advice can be applied also to personal difficulties and problems with others. What lessons has life taught you about constructive ways of dealing with conflict?**
- 3. As individuals and communities we have the power to bind and to loose, to exclude people from relationship or to open up and include others in relationship. When have you found it important to acknowledge this power in your own life?**
- 4. Jesus also promises to be with his followers when they gather together. What does that mean to you? How have you experienced the presence of Jesus in his followers gathered together?**

John Byrne osa

The annual Crosscare collection will take place at all masses next weekend, 16th/17th September. It will replace the share collection. Please be as generous as you can.

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 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 10th September

6.15pm Nora Palmer

10.00am Mary Keane

11.30am Anne Dollard/Colman Boylan/Rita Lovett
Gascoigne Home Nora Palmer

Mass Intentions for coming week

Sunday 10th

10.00am

11.30am Laurence Mahon (26th A)
Delia & Michael O'Boyle (A)

Monday 11th

10.00am

Tuesday 12th

10.00am

Wednesday 13th

10.00am

Thursday 14th

10.00am For the Faithful Departed

Friday 15th

10.00am Thomas McClean (MM)

Saturday 16th

10.00am For the Faithful Departed

6.15pm Johnny Wade (8th A)

Joe Hayes (8thA)

Sunday 17th

10.00am

11.30am John Markham

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**3rd September**

1st Collection €921

2nd Collection €694

Shrines, books, family offering €832

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 Message from Fr Bernard Kennedy

As you will know by now, Fr Paddy Boyle has been appointed Parish Priest of Beechwood Avenue Parish, and I to Enniskerry/Kilmacanogue- both effective from 15th September. Fr Paddy has great experience and will be a tremendous asset to Beechwood and so we welcome him and pray for him.

I thank all parishioners who turned out last Sunday for farewell gathering, both at Mass, and afterwards at centre, for celebration. I thank each for their generosity. I found their wishes gratifying and I cannot believe fourteen years have passed. When I arrived I had a 4 on my birthday card and now a 6? Tempus fugit. Working together in love and forgiveness is the carpet of eternity and I think that the challenge of the Our Father- 'forgive us our sins as we forgive others' is a challenging template. Its action is a barometer of our journey to eternity and readiness of Christs' presence. As I move along, I will carry memories of the great lay involvement in our parish and and particularly the parental involvement at the level of Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation and the contact it allowed with future generations, and the parents who presented their children for baptism. The number of women involved highlighted the spirituality of the feminine so necessary to future parochial life. The welcome extended to the LGBT community at Avila, with the monthly mass and tea, also shows the love of Christ- and the new work by Fr. James Martin, SJ, Building a bridge- with a commendation by Cardinal James Tobin, and Cardinal Kevin Farrell, gives great solace to parents and families of gay men/women.

There are so many to thank it will be impossible but our speakers at the Centenary Celebrations, and refurbishment of the church was a great tribute to all involved. I finish with a verse by Charles Baudelaire(1821-1868)- in French and English:

Un soir fait de rose et de bleu mystique
Nous echangerons un éclair unique,
Comme un long sanglot, tout charge d'adiux.

Et plus tard un ange, entrouvant les porte,
Viendra ranimer, fidele et joyeux,
Les miroirs et les flames mortes.

Some sunset, rose and blue and strange,
One final glance that we exchange,
One drawn-out sigh, will say goodbye.

A faithful Angel at the door
Will wipe the tarnish off and try
To bring us back to life once more.