



# 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

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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.

## THE DEEP END: Operation Transformation

The first Sunday of Lent – I love Lent, it's a great season where we can get in 'transformation' mode.

Regardless of whether or not someone is still 'practicing' their faith, people still seem to get on board with Lent. We usually give something up, but remember it's not simply about weight loss or getting fit. By doing these things we are trying to make room for something deeper. It's a spring cleaning sort of time.

What needs clearing out in my life so that I can make more room for God?

Or often do we need to make more room for what God has planned for us? We can get stuck, especially when we are comfortable and don't really want too much to change. But without change we can't grow and things fast become stale in our lives.

God is always urging us on because God knows just what possibilities there are for each of us. So Lent might be a time where in giving up something or taking on something, we make space for something new.

The gospel today is short and sweet – Jesus is sent into the desert and we too are invited into a desert time. Deserts are interesting places which can allow us to reflect, give ourselves space and we should not be afraid because as the gospel tells us clearly today, it is a Spirit led desert. God is with us in this desert.

So enjoy Lent, embrace it. How we make use of this time determines what will be.

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**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 Mass on the day at 10.00am **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

If you would like to arrange baptism for your child please contact the parish office at 01 4967449

**Wedding** bookings are strictly by appointment with one of the Priests of the Parish.

**The parish Child Safeguarding and Protection Representatives** may be contacted through the parish office or by email [childprotection@beechwoodparish.com](mailto:childprotection@beechwoodparish.com)

**Mass Intentions for coming week****Sunday 18th**

10.00am Françoise Brotelande (A)

11.30am

**Monday 19th**

10.00am

**Tuesday 20th**

10.00am Patrick Durkan (1st A) and deceased members of the Durkan family

**Wednesday 21st**

10.00am

**Thursday 22nd**

10.00am

**Friday 23rd**

10.00am

**Saturday 24th**

10.00am

6.15pm Kathleen & Paddy Diskin (A)

**Sunday 25th**

10.00am John & Freddie Corcoran (A)

11.30am Laura MacDonald (Months Mind)

**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 18th February**

6.15pm Joe McFadden

10.00am Pauline Knight, Matt McHugh

11.30am David K'Eogh, Mary Burke

Gascoigne Home Nora Palmer

**Collections 12th February 2018**

*1st Collection € 991*

*2nd Collection € 758*

*The 1st Collection every week is remitted in full to the Dublin Archdiocese. It is used to pay the salaries of priests who are in active ministry in the Diocese and to support priests who are ill or retired.*

*The 2nd collection every week is also remitted in full to the Diocese and is used to support parishes in the Diocese who require financial assistance.*

*We are very grateful for your continued generous support of the parish and of the diocese.*



CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CARE SERVICE

The Annual Collection for ACCORD the Dublin Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

Throughout the Diocese Accord offers

- Marriage preparation courses
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships
- Relationship and Sexuality programme for schools

We would ask for your generous support for the work of Accord.

### *"God so loved the world"*

The readings of Lent for prayer and preaching in St. Mary's Pro Cathedral over the next 5 Wednesdays in Lent from 11.15am to 12.30pm

- ♦ Wednesday 21st February
- ♦ Wednesday 28th February
- ♦ Wednesday 7th March
- ♦ Wednesday 14th March
- ♦ Wednesday 21st March

Presenter Kieran O'Mahony OSA

Mass will be available at 10.30am and 12.45pm

We ask for your prayers for the repose of the souls of the late Tom Boland (Windsor Road) and Val Wilson (Park Drive) whose funerals took place here this week.

May they rest in peace.

### St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Meeting on Monday 19th February at 6.45pm in the Parish Office. All are welcome.

*Thank You*

The 5th year students from Alexandra College who spoke at Masses last weekend wish to thank all of those who donated to their church gate collection after Mass in aid of the Hope Foundation. They raised €910.73 and are very grateful for all the support and encouraging words!

We received this from Jack Farrelly

*'John and Committee,*

*Thank you for allowing me to use the Community centre for my fundraising dinner on Saturday night. It was a great success and we raised €3,000 for Habitat for Humanity. I look forward to my trip to Cambodia at Easter'.*

We wish Jack well on his trip!



We send the parish newsletter by email to over 20 people each week. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please let us know and we would be delighted to add you to our list!

### Save the Date!

The Diocesan pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday April 21st 2018. The theme is 'We are Pilgrims, Knock invites us to healing and peace'.

The full programme will be announced soon.