



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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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: We should like to see Jesus

Those poor Greeks. Did you notice that they never actually get to meet Jesus? At the start of today's gospel some Greeks who are followers of Jesus come to Jerusalem. They are travellers, outsiders, and would like to meet Jesus in person. But when Philip and Andrew relay the request, Jesus begins to talk about how his 'hour' is coming. It is the last we hear of the Greeks, who disappear from the story altogether.

But they are important nonetheless. Firstly, they indicate that word about Jesus is spreading, that in the words of the Pharisees, 'the world has gone after him'. More importantly, they prompt Jesus to reveal that, when his hour comes, he will draw 'all people' to himself. In the space of a few short verses, we go from a brief mention of a group of foreigners seeking Jesus, to Jesus making it crystal clear that his saving mission is for all people, of all nations, both Jews and Gentiles – including those Greeks! There is no suggestion from Jesus that some groups are 'in' and others 'out'. All are included. All are invited. All are welcome.

I remember once hearing someone describe their home as a domestic church, a place of 'indiscriminate welcome'. As we continue our journey through Lent, and soon into Holy Week, let us listen carefully to these words of Jesus. He came for all. He wishes to draw all people to himself. Are our churches, parishes, communities and homes open to all, outsiders included? Are they places of welcome and inclusion, where all who enter experience God's love?

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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

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

10.00am

11.30am Olive Creegan (1st A)

Monday 19th

10.00am Pat Kelly (RD)

Tuesday 20th

10.00am

Wednesday 21st

10.00am

Thursday 22nd

10.00am

Friday 23rd

10.00am

Saturday 24th

10.00am Patrick & Margaret Slattery (A)

Sunday 25th

10.00am

11.30am Tom Boland (Month's Mind)

We also remember Ita Quilligan and Emer Tuffy whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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 March

6.15pm Nora Palmer

10.00am Mary Keane

11.30am Anne Dollard, Colman Boylan

Gascoigne Home Mary McCormack

Special Meditation for Ministers of the Eucharist

Next Saturday 24th March led by Fr. Paddy Boyle P.P, beginning with Mass at 10.00am and ending at 12 noon. We hope to see you there.

Collections 4th March

1st Collection €666

2n Collection €662

Family Offerings/books and shrines for February totalled €1,222

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.

The annual collection for Crosscare Youth Services takes place at all Masses here this weekend. We thank you for your ongoing support for the important work done by Crosscare.



Children from Scoil Bhríde will be confirmed here next Friday 23rd March.

We pray for the children, their parents, families and teachers as they continue their preparations for this important step in their lives. We wish them well and hope they enjoy their special day.

The Quiet Way—cycle and pedestrian way

Information Meeting

Chairman Tony Connellan (087 1261709)

Venue : The McGeough Home

Date : Wednesday 21st March

Time : 7.30pm

Invitation

You are invited to hear leading pro-life speaker Maria Steen BL

Venue : Beechwood Parish Centre,
Mountain View Road

Date : Friday 23rd March 2018 at 7.30pm

All are welcome.



The annual Advocate collection for the Sunshine Fund takes place after all Masses on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th March.

The Sunshine Fund, a special works confer-

ence of the St. Vincent de Paul, provides summer holidays for children all over Dublin who need a holiday. This collection is their only source of funds. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

You can find out more about the work of the Sunshine Fund at

www.sunshinefund.ie

Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony

Saturday 24th March 2018 at 3pm in Church of the Holy Name, Beechwood Avenue Upper, Ranelagh.

All Legion members to attend and auxiliaries are most welcome.

We ask for your prayers for the repose of the soul of the late Dolores Neilan (Sandford Road) whose funeral took place here this week. We offer our sympathy to her sons Brian and Noel, her daughter Marie, her relatives and friends. May she rest in peace.



Fr. Paul Freeney P.E. Diamond Jubilee

On the 22nd March 1958 Fr. Paul Freeney, our Pastor Emeritus, was ordained to the Priesthood in Rome.

On this Thursday, the occasion of his Diamond Jubilee, Fr. Joseph Doran will celebrate Mass with him and some of his classmates, in thanksgiving for his loyal service to the Parishes of the Dublin Diocese, including Beechwood Avenue where he served as Parish Priest from 2002 to 2008.

We extend our best wishes and prayers to him. Should any parishioner wish to send him a card or greetings, Fr. Doran will be happy to take them to him on the day.