



# BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWS

30<sup>TH</sup> October 2016  
Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

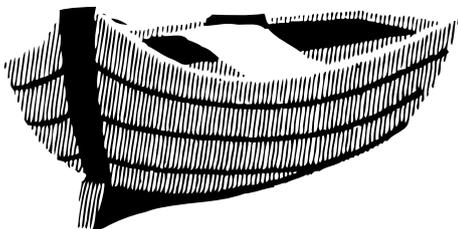
### — IN BRIEF —

**In Brief: Parish Pastoral Council:** next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 1<sup>ST</sup> November.

**Altar List of the Dead** envelopes are available in the church porch. Envelopes may be returned to the Presbytery, the Sacristy or the Parish Office.

**Public Holiday** Monday 31<sup>ST</sup> October is a public holiday. There will be one morning Mass at 11 o'clock after which the church will close.

**Reflection – Time with God** I'd like to share a teaching that came to me one day as I sat before the Lord. I was just looking at the Blessed Sacrament and adoring Jesus and telling him I didn't have much to say except that I loved him. I felt as though the Lord said to me "Well, don't you know that you don't have to say anything to me? Just be with me. Come into my presence. It's not what you do for me, it's what I want to do for you". Then I got an image of a person going out of his house and sitting in the sun. As he sat in the sun, he didn't do a thing, but he started to change colour. People who saw him knew he had been in the sun because his skin showed it. The man knew it, too, because he felt the effects of the sun: the warmth and the light. I heard the Lord saying, "So it is when you come into my presence. you will experience the effects of your time spent with me. People will see it in your actions." It was a great teaching to me, knowing that I didn't always have to be saying things, but all I had to do was to be there with Jesus. ~  
Briege McKenna, O.S.C.



### SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

Luke 19:1-10

1. *Zacchaeus showed himself open to the call of Jesus, to the surprise of his contemporaries who thought there was no good in tax collectors. Sometimes the people who give us lessons in goodness may be people we previously disregarded. Recall when this happened for you.*

2. *It was the eagerness of Zacchaeus to see what kind of a man Jesus was that opened him up to conversion. When you consider moments of change in your life what were the interests or desires that prepared you for change?*

3. *The decision of Jesus to eat in the house of Zacchaeus broke the social norms of his day and scandalized those who saw him. When have you found table fellowship a useful way of breaking down artificial boundaries between people? When has a kind word had this effect?*

4. *Zacchaeus had become rich off the backs of the people and they thoroughly disliked him. Yet, he was the one singled out by Jesus, and he responded to Jesus' call. Perhaps you have also seen people who hurt you and caused you pain change their ways. How have you reacted to such a change? What has helped you to see the grace of God at work, and give thanks?*



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### LITURGY NOTES:

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Please note that Adoration will conclude before 7.30 pm on Tuesday 1<sup>ST</sup> November as Mass will be celebrated at 7.30 pm.

**Feast Days this week:** Tuesday, 1<sup>ST</sup> November is the Feast of All Saints. It is a Solemnity and Mass times will be as follows: 7.30 am; 10.00 am and 7.30 pm. Friday 6<sup>TH</sup> November is the Feast of All the Saints of Ireland and the First Friday.

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed: will be celebrated on Wednesday, 2<sup>ND</sup> November at 7.30 pm, the Commemoration of All Souls. At this Mass we will remember all those whose funerals have taken place from our church during the past year, 1<sup>ST</sup> November 2015 to mid October 2016. We will also pray for babies who died before or around the time of birth. A book is available in the church porch, in which the names of loved ones, who have died in other years, or in other parishes during the past year, can be entered. The book will be placed on the Altar during the Mass.

**Volunteers Needed for Booterstown Parish Youth Club**

– Are you interested in helping out in a vibrant and active youth club? If you are, we would love to hear from you. Booterstown Parish Youth Club provides after-school activities for primary school children from the Booterstown area. Please send us an email for further information to [booterstownparishyouthclub@gmail.com](mailto:booterstownparishyouthclub@gmail.com) or visit [www.booterstownparishyouthclub.ie](http://www.booterstownparishyouthclub.ie)

**Remembrance Concerts:** The Dublin Choral Foundation will present a special concert in St. Mary’s Church, Haddington Road on Friday 11<sup>TH</sup> November at 7.30 pm to commemorate those who died in 1916. The concert will feature Music, Poetry and Readings under the theme **“Remember the Brave”**. The Dean of St Patrick’s Cathedral, Dublin invites you to a Remembrance concert in St. Patrick’s Cathedral on Friday 11<sup>TH</sup> November at 6.15 pm. Admission is free. A Retiring Collection for Médecins Sans Frontières will be taken up.

**Booterstown Parish Website** has been upgraded and is regularly updated. Please visit [www.booterstownparish.ie](http://www.booterstownparish.ie) and don’t forget the webcam option which broadcasts live all the church ceremonies from our church. Please tell your friends and relatives abroad.



**Rest in Peace** We prayer for all those who have died during the past week and especially Dr. Joan Wade, Mount Merrion.

**Foundational Leadership Programme for Young Adults:** Be the new generation of Young Adult Leaders continuing the Mission of Jesus Christ. This programme offers participants a unique opportunity to explore and develop Gospel centred transformational leadership skills. These skills can be readily applied to the participant’s own context. This programme endeavours to provide participants with the knowledge, skills and confidence necessary to to be leaders within their own parishes and communities. The programme is mainly based in St. Paul’s Church, Arran Quay. The commitment will be one Saturday per month, starting in November and running until March. [www.evangelisation.ie/2016/10/04/foundational-leadership-programme-for-young-adults/](http://www.evangelisation.ie/2016/10/04/foundational-leadership-programme-for-young-adults/)

**Living With Loss:** November is traditionally a month for remembrance. The Irish Hospice Foundation has arranged an information evening for the public about bereavement with guest speaker John McAreavey (Michaela Foundation). The evening will take place on **Thursday, 3<sup>RD</sup> November from 5.30 pm – 8.00 pm** in the Alexander Hotel, 41 Fenian Street, Dublin 2.

**Coláiste Eoin and Coláiste Íosagáin** will hold their Annual Christmas Fair on Sunday 20<sup>TH</sup> November from 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm. There will be a wide variety of stalls. Donations of items will be gratefully received, especially books, new, nearly new or in Irish. Contact Linda O’Donnell at 087-263 1904 for further information.

**Alzheimer’s Café – Bray** This is a relaxed place where people with dementia, their families and friends and health and social care professionals come together for education and support over a cup of tea. It is a safe space where people can share their experiences and talk about dementia. The get-together takes place on the last Thursday of each month from 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm in The Orchard, Killarney Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow. Contact No. 01-211 5179. There is no charge.

**Super Senior Classes in the Parish Centre, Booterstown** This class takes place in the Parish Centre on **Mondays at 10.30 am**. It is suitable for older members (male and female, who are young at heart!), and entails gentle, light-paced body exercise in a safe environment. The exercises are tailored towards your body’s needs and your individual fitness level. The aim is to improve mobility, balance and posture, flexibility, muscular strength, overall fitness and mental wellbeing. The classes are given by a qualified fitness instructor and take place in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Please contact Johnny at 085 – 2717 479.

<b>Priests of the Parish</b>		<b>Confessions</b>
<b>Fr. Cormac McIlraith, Parish Administrator</b>		After 10 am Mass & 6 pm Vigil Mass every Sat
52 Booterstown Ave.	Tel: 01 288 2162	After 10 am Mass on Thursday before the First Friday
<b>Mgr. Seamus Conway, Pastor Emeritus</b>		Other times by arrangement with parish clergy
Booterstown Ave.	Tel. 01 288 2889	Special arrangements are available for those with a disability. Please contact clergy
<b>Email &amp; Website</b>		<b>Baptisms</b>
<a href="mailto:info@booterstownparish.ie">info@booterstownparish.ie</a>		Third Saturday of the month @ 12 noon
<a href="http://www.booterstownparish.ie">www.booterstownparish.ie</a>		<b>Marriages</b>
<b>Mass Times</b>		By arrangement, 3 months notice required
<b>Saturday:</b> 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm		
<b>Sunday:</b> 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon		Parish Secretary: Thérèse O’Donoghue
<b>Mon - Fri:</b> 10 am		Parish Office: Tel & Fax 01 283 1593
<b>Rosary</b>		(Mon - Fri: 9-10 am & 10.30-1.30 pm)
Mon – Sat at 9.40 am		Sacristan: Paul Lyng 288 8586
<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>		St. Marys Boys School 288 6830
Tuesday after 10:30 am Mass until 10 pm		Our Lady of Mercy Girls School 288 4223