



# BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWS

22<sup>ND</sup> January 2017

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### — IN BRIEF —

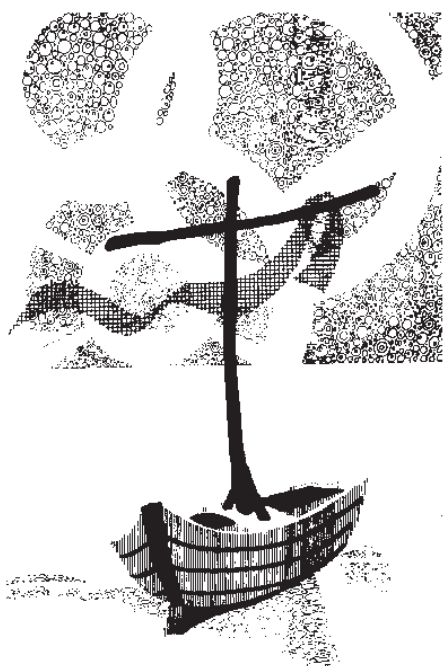
**Society of St. Vincent de Paul** If you are experiencing difficulties with your living expenses, food and energy costs or medical expenses, especially at this time of you year, you can make a fully confidential approach to the Society at their Head Office 01 – 855 0022 and a member will respond to you.

**St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society** next meeting will take place on Thursday 26<sup>TH</sup> January at 10.30 am in Room 3. New members are always welcome.

**St. Mary's Boys' School** members of the Parents' Association are taking up a church gate collection in aid of the school after Masses today.

**Lumen Dominican Centre** (Sion Hill Adult Education) – Spring term brochures available in the church porch. Classes commence in the weeking beginning 31<sup>ST</sup> January 2017.

**Boooterstown Community Centre**, Grotto Avenue – **Pilates Class for Mums on "the Run"** from 1.15 to 2.15 on Wednesdays. Highly experienced teacher. Visit [www.privatepilates.eu](http://www.privatepilates.eu)



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

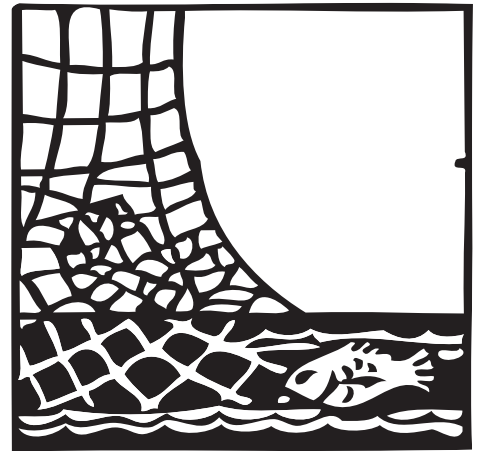
*Matthew 4:12-23*

1. *The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light'. Jesus applies this to himself and his message. Who have been the Jesus people who have been a source of light to you? Have you been such a light for others?*

2. *His message was a call to repentance, to a change of attitude toward God, from seeing God as one to be feared, to seeing God as a God of love. When have you heard that call in your life? What was it like for you?*

3. *Jesus invited disciples to join him in his mission. In responding, the disciples 'left their nets' to follow Jesus. Sometimes we have to disentangle ourselves from other things to give ourselves freely and wholeheartedly to a commitment. Have you experienced being 'enmeshed' and being free? Where did you find life?*

4. *In v. 23 we have a summary of the ministry of Jesus – 'proclaiming the good news of the kingdom' and witnessing to this by teaching and healing. Who have been the people you have known who have witnessed to the 'kingdom', the reign of God in our world? What have been the signs that accompanied their witness? When have you done this yourself?*



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#### LITURGY NOTES:

**Eucharistic Adoration important note:** Eucharistic Adoration continues on Tuesdays from 10.30 am until 10.00 pm. Saturday evening Adoration takes place prior to the Vigil Mass from 5.00 pm until 5.45 pm. Many thanks to all those who have committed to a regular period of Eucharistic Adoration and to those who visit also. Please continue to sign the register.

**Ministers of the Eucharist...** please collect your February roster from the Sacristy or visit the parish website and click on Parish Groups/Ministers of the Eucharist.

**Day for Consecrated Life** will be celebrated on Sunday 5<sup>TH</sup> February at the Family Mass. Members of the Religious orders in the parish have been invited to attend and to renew their commitment. Mass will be followed by hospitality in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

## SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN

Thank you in advance for your understanding and co-operation. Co-ordinators of parish groups plus a further representative are invited to attend a meeting with regard to the above on **Thursday 9<sup>TH</sup> February at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre.**

**Family Mass at 10.30 am** If your child would like to be a Reader or a Gift Bearer at the Family Mass, please speak to any of the coordinators at the Mass. Alternatively, contact Sheila Treacy at [sosdublin@gmail.com](mailto:sosdublin@gmail.com). If you would like to become involved in the Family Mass Parents' Committee, please speak to any of the coordinators at the Mass. Alternatively, contact Sheila Treacy at [sosdublin@gmail.com](mailto:sosdublin@gmail.com)

**Anniversary Masses** during the coming week: Tuesday 24<sup>TH</sup> January at 7.30 am Sr. Denise Lynch, M.M.M.; Fri. 27<sup>TH</sup> at 10.00 am – Mary Fahey (5<sup>TH</sup> A); Saturday 28<sup>TH</sup> January Vigil: 1.) May Lewins, 2.) Clare Taylor, 3.) Mary Sheldrick; Sunday 29<sup>TH</sup> January 10.30 am: 1.) Ray Meehan, 2.) Pat Walsh and Cyril Flanagan, 12 Noon: 1.) Joyce Sheerin, remembering Neil Sheerin and their daughter, Norma, 2.) Norman Butler (1<sup>ST</sup> A), Francis O'Neill (2<sup>ND</sup> A), Dan Carroll.  
**Month's Mind: Sat. 28<sup>TH</sup> Jan at 6.00pm:** Aileen O'Sullivan who died on 31<sup>ST</sup> October 2016.

**New Pilgrim Paths Digital Evangelisation** is a website aimed at introducing parishioners to the great wealth of Christian resources on the internet. [www.newpilgrimpaths.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpaths.ie) the website for this week is Universalis

**Liturgy Workshops in Clonliffe College on Saturday, 28<sup>TH</sup> January 2017 from 9.30 am to 1.30pm.** The workshops will be of great interest to members and prospective members of parish Baptism Teams, members and prospective members of the Family Mass Group and those who might be interested in singing Gospel Music. There are details on the noticeboard in the church porch. Please contact the Parish Secretary on 01 283 1593 if you would like a booking form sent out to you.

## Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults in the Parish – Important Notice

New Vetting Legislation The National Bureau (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Act 2012 to 2016 came into effect at the end of April, 2015. The former Garda Central Vetting Unit has become the National Vetting Bureau (NVB). The NVB, however, remains an office of An Garda Síochána.

### THE ACT:

1. Provides a legislative basis for mandatory vetting of persons who undertake work or activities relating to children or vulnerable adults,
2. Provides for disclosure of certain types of information not previously disclosed through vetting process,
3. Changes the way that people apply for vetting.

The new Act requires vetting of any person who is carrying out 'relevant work or activity'. This is defined as work or activity, a necessary and regular part of which consists mainly of persons having access to, or contact with, children or vulnerable adults. A relevant organisation, one which carries out relevant work or activity, is not permitted to allow any person to undertake work or activity on its behalf unless the person has been vetted.

The Act came into effect on 29<sup>TH</sup> April. It is now an offence to permit anyone to engage in relevant work until they have been vetted. Those already engaged, who have not been vetted, have until the end of this year to complete the vetting process.

There is a new application form. The person applying must produce proof of identity. A single form of identification will not be sufficient. A passport plus a recent item of correspondence, for example, will suffice but not the passport alone.

The applicant will be required to complete a very basic 'Invitation Form': name, date of birth, current address, email address, contact number and the role for which they are applying. They will hand this into the parish for signing by the Parish Priest who will be required to verify their identity and will forward the form to the diocesan administrator. The applicant will then receive an email allowing them to complete the vetting form online. This will be sent to NVB and the outcome will be returned to the diocesan vetting administrator. It will then be shared with the Parish Priest and the applicant.

The administration of the new system will be addressed at a local level with Fr. Cormac being in attendance for a period of time at least once a month. This will be communicated to all the various voluntary groups that are affiliated to the parish so that potential volunteers can embark on the process. Thank you in advance for your understanding and co-operation.

<b>Priests of the Parish</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
<b>Fr. Cormac McLraith, Parish Administrator</b> 52 Booterstown Ave. Tel: 01 288 2162	After 10 am Mass & 6 pm Vigil Mass every Sat After 10 am Mass on Thursday before the First Friday
<b>Mgr. Seamus Conway, Pastor Emeritus</b> Booterstown Ave. Tel. 01 288 2889	Other times by arrangement with parish clergy 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> <a href="http://www.booterstownparish.ie">www.booterstownparish.ie</a>	Third Saturday of the month @ 12 noon
<b>Mass Times</b>	<b>Marriages</b>
<b>Saturday:</b> 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm <b>Sunday:</b> 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon	By arrangement, 3 months notice required 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