



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

14th May 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter .

In brief :

Parish Office: The Parish Office will be closed from **Monday 15th May to Friday 19th May** inclusive. Thursday morning hospitality will take place, as usual on 18th May.

The local Conference of St. Vincent de Paul is taking up its monthly collection in the church grounds after Masses this weekend.

Parish Social Group Summer Cake Sale – will take place in the Parish Centre after morning Masses on **Sunday 28th May**. Please bake your speciality, bring it along and buy a Cake and/or a Raffle ticket. The proceeds are in aid of parish projects.

Sunday Morning Hospitality: As it is the second Sunday of the month, the congregation attending 10.30 am Mass is invited to come to the Parish Centre after Mass for a cup of tea or coffee, biscuits and a friendly chat. We look forward to meeting you.

The Annual Parish Golf Outing will take place in Elm Park Golf Club on Friday 9th June. Entry Forms are available from the church porch, the Parish Centre and Gleeson's **Please save this date and** consider entering a team or as an individual. If you do not play you might like to sponsor A Tee Box or a Green Fee.

Alzheimer's Tea Day took place at the Thursday Teas on 5th May. A total of €200 was realised and returned to the Alzheimer Society. Many thanks to the parish Social Group for hosting this annual event and also to all those who supported it.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

John 14:1-12

1. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God. Believe also in me.' Trust in another person can help us in difficult times. Remember and give thanks for the people you were able to trust in difficult moments. Remember also when your faith in God helped you through anxious moments.
2. Thomas struggled with the desire, which is in all of us, to know exactly the destination before we set out. Jesus invites us to make an act of faith and to take one step at a time. Can you recall times when it helped you to take that trusting attitude to life?
3. Jesus proposed himself to Thomas as the way, the truth and the life. In what ways has Jesus been the way, the truth and the life for you on your faith journey?
4. Philip wanted Jesus to give him a glimpse of God and got the surprising answer 'Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.' Jesus put a human face on the love of God. He gives us a glimpse of the divine. We are Jesus in the world today, called to follow Jesus and to put a human face on the love of God for those who meet us. Who are the people whose love has helped you to believe in the love of God? To whom have you given an occasional glimpse of the divine?



LITURGY NOTES:

Eucharistic Adoration: continues as usual in the church every Tuesday, commencing after 10.00 am Mass and concluding at 10.00 pm.

Celebration of First Holy Communion: Second Class pupils of Our Lady of Mercy Convent School and St. Mary's Boys' National School will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday 20th May at **11.00 am**. We hope the girls and boys and their families will have a very special and blessed celebration on Saturday and that the sun will shine for them. **NOTE:** Morning Mass on Saturday 20th May will be at **9.30 am** to facilitate the first Holy Communion ceremony.

Mass for the Intentions of Second Level Exam Students: Mass at **11 am** on Monday, 5th June will be celebrated for the intentions of all those students who will sit their Junior or Leaving Certificate Examinations this year. Parents, grandparents and teachers are requested to spread the word to the Exam Candidates. Exam Prayer cards will be distributed after Mass.

Annual Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage will take place at **10.30 am** Mass on Sunday, 11th June. We invite all those who are celebrating a special Wedding Jubilee this year or who will celebrate their wedding in this church or in another church to attend. Please invite members of your family to come along also.

Trócaire Boxes have now been collected from the parish by Trócaire.

Pro Life Campaign members of the local branch will be in attendance at the weekly Thursday Morning Hospitality in the Parish Centre on **Thursday 18th May at 10.30 am**. Parishioners are invited to attend. Everyone is welcome. Tel. 086 313 2871 or 01 662 9275.

Legion of Mary - Frank Duff Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday 16th May at 3.00 pm in the Parish Centre. To commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions at Fatima, a DVD, **“Forgotten Heritage”** will be shown in which Fr. John Hogan and Fr. Eoin O’Gorman will discuss the Apparitions at Fatima. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

St. Joseph’s Young Priests’ Society next meeting will take place on Thursday, **25th May** at 10.30 am in the Parish Centre.

Pilgrim Paths: A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that individual can be you, says Pope Francis in a searing TED Talk to be delivered directly from Vatican City. In a hopeful message to people of all faith, to those who have power as well as to those who don’t, Francis provides an illuminating commentary on the world as we currently find it and calls for equality, solidarity and tenderness to prevail. Access this and other rich online spiritual resources at www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Series of Organ Recitals at Whitefriar Street Carmelite Church each Sunday until 28th May at 8 pm. Gerard Gillen, Peter Mc Bride, Peter Thompson and Simon Harden will be performing works by Bach, Chaumont and many more.

Viatres Christi invites you to the final of a series of talks on renewal and the future of the Church. The details of the talk is as follows:
Wednesday 7th June: Patricia Coyle. Time: 7.00 pm to 9.30 pm. Venue: Lecture Hall, Bevedere College, Dublin 1. Suggested donation €10. To book your place call 01-8689 986 or email shane@viatreschristi.com
The Annual Parish Outreach visits are continuing in some areas of the parish during the month of May when volunteer parishioners, in teams of two, visit homes in designated areas of the parish. They will not enter houses, but will engage with parishioners, at their door, should they wish. The visitors will carry ID and a letter of introduction from the parish. They will ask “how is the parish for you?” and “have you any suggestions or ideas for the parish?”.

Encounter Dublin City: Join other young adults in their 20’s and 30’s for a night of live acoustic music, reflective prayer in Adoration, with Cormac Buckley and band; guest speaker Brother Philip Mulryne – ex Man United football player, on Life, Faith and Purpose. Followed by social: pizza and refreshments. Free event. Friday 26th May at 8.00 pm. St. Paul’s Church, Arran Quay (Smithfield Luas). Email St.pauls@dublindiocese.ie

The parish Bethany Bereavement Support group has arranged a public talk by Brid Carroll (Brid is a Bereavement Counsellor who has worked with a special interest in loss and bereavement issues for over 20 years). The talk will take place on Wednesday 24th May at 7.30 pm in the Talbot Hotel (previously Stillorgan Park Hotel). Admission free. All welcome.

Solemn Novena will take place in the Church of **Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**, Foxrock Church from Monday 22nd May – Tuesday 30th May led by Redemptorist Priests, Fr. John Hanna and Fr. Denis Luddy. Masses 10 am and 7 pm. Reflective Prayer Service at 9 pm.

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: the first of the three annual St. Oliver Plunkett Pilgrimages to Lough Derg takes place from 2nd to 4th June. Further pilgrimages will take place on 30th June to 2nd July and from 11th to 13th August. If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage, please

Priests of the Parish		Confessions
Fr. Cormac McIlraith, Parish Administrator 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
Mgr. Seamus Conway, Pastor Emeritus 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
Email & Website		Baptisms
info@booterstownparish.ie		Third Saturday of the month @ 12 noon
www.booterstownparish.ie		Marriages
Mass Times		By arrangement, 3 months notice required
Saturday: 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm		
Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon		Parish Secretary: Thérèse O’Donoghue
Mon - Fri: 7.30 & 10 am		Parish Office: Tel & Fax 01 283 1593
Rosary		(Mon - Fri: 9-10 am & 10.30-1.30 pm)
Mon – Sat at 9.40 am		Sacristan: Paul Lyng 288 8586
Eucharistic Adoration		St. Marys Boys School 288 6830
Tuesday after 10 am Mass – 10pm		Our Lady of Mercy Girls School 288 4223