



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

11th June 2017

The Most Holy Trinity

In Brief

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

Parish Hospitality – Second Sunday of the Month: Parish Hospitality takes place today after 10.30am Mass. You are warmly invited to stroll around to the Parish Centre after Mass and have a welcome cup of tea or coffee, a biscuit and a neighbourly chat. We look forward to meeting you. Sunday hospitality will not take place during July or August. It will resume in September when we hope that some additional volunteers will join us in our Ministry of Hospitality. If you would like to help, please contact the Parish Office at 01-283 1593.

Local Conference of St. Vincent de Paul: if you are experiencing difficulties with your living expenses, food and energy costs or medical expenses, please make a fully confidential approach to the Society at their Head Office 01 – 8550022.

National Concert Hall Recital

Our fellow parishioner, Melissa Jennings, who is a Minister of the Word in this parish, will be give a piano recital in the National Concert Hall on Friday 30th June at 1.05pm. The programme will include pieces by Brahms and Albeniz. Tickets at €15 are available from www.nch.ie or 01-4170000. We wish Melissa well with her performance.

Hallelujah

Hallelujah – a Journey to Sainthood, featuring the Palestrina Choir with special guests, Mary Coughlan, Sandra Oman, Sean Costello and Melanie McCabe, will take place in the National Concert Hall on Saturday, 24th June. Written and produced by Niall Morris. Musical Director Andrew Synnott. Tickets from the NCH. Tel. 01 417 0000

Trinity Sunday

God in today's Gospel is described to us as one that is very close, as one that loves the world so deeply that he was willing to give everything to it. It is hard to comprehend these statements. Why would someone love in such a way? Why would someone sacrifice in such a way? John's Gospel today tells us that it is because we are loved so deeply and so that we would come to know this love which brings life. It is not a one-off event; it is continuous and ongoing in each of our lives. Neither is it to make us feel guilty; we are told that this outpouring of God's love is not to condemn us in any way. This giving from the Father is so that we might be free from our own brokenness, that we might know how infinitely loved we are and so live a life that is full and everlasting. God rescues us from our own brokenness and offers a life that is a fuller and deeper experience.



Trinity Sunday invites us to reflect on the impossible; on the utterly mysterious. Yet we can know something of what it means to experience God's love in our lives; to have a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and to feel God's Spirit dwelling within ourselves. We can experience that same Spirit in each person that we meet, that Spirit of God indwelling in all of creation. The Trinity speaks to us of relationship, community, of fully giving and receiving.

'God has fallen in love with us – quite literally. God has come down to earth, and opened Godself to all the raw brutality, as well as the warm tenderness, of human life.' -Margaret Silf

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Thursday Morning Hospitality ...and Dublin Bus Information Session!

Dublin Bus has a new initiative to encourage and assist individuals to use Dublin Bus. Members of the team will visit this parish on **Thursday 15th June at 10.30am in the Parish Centre**. The team will give a talk on the safest way to travel by bus in the Dublin area and discuss any concerns people may have. The team also offers individual assistance to help people gain confidence when traveling by bus. We look forward to meeting you at the talk on Thursday 15th June

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg The St. Oliver Plunkett Pilgrimages to Lough Derg will take place from 30th June to 2nd July and from 11th to 13th August. If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage, please contact the organiser, Ms. Miriam Delaney - 01-494 1171 (after 6pm).

Rest in Peace: We pray for all those who have died during the past week and especially Ethna Golden, Rock Road, Andrew Finn, Mt. Merrion Avenue and Verette Finlay, late of Castle Court.

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Merrion Road

A Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from Wednesday 13th – Thursday 21st September. Highlights include the Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea, Via Dolorosa, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Saxon, Nazareth and the Mount of Olives. Cost €1,549 per person sharing. For information/bookings contact Fr. Fergus O'Connor / Parish Office, Merrion Road 01-269 1825 or MAP Travel, 36 Upper O'Connell Street.

Pilgrim Paths

"Jesus the Jew".

This is a Fascinating on-line lecture by John P. Meier, Professor of Theology at the University of Notre Dame and one of the foremost biblical scholars of his generation. Meier's work represents the first time an American Catholic biblical scholar has attempted a full-scale, rigorously scientific treatment of the "historical Jesus". Access this talk and others by visiting www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Irish Kidney Association Prayer

Lord, You know how busy I must be today. If I forget you, please do not forget me. Dear Lord, help me to remember that nothing can happen today that you and I can't handle together. Do not walk in front of me Lord, I may not be able to keep up with you. Do not walk behind me Lord, for I may not be able to lead the way. Lord, Jesus walk beside me and be my friend.

Hospice Open Gardens Trail

On Saturday 17th June 2017 the gardens of two homes in Blackrock will be open to the public as part of the Hospice Garden Trail. They are "Peafield Cliff" and "Lios an Uisce", accessed by the gates to the left of the main entrance to Blackrock Park and "Deepwell", opposite the Blackrock shopping centre. Admission to Deepwell is via the back gate beside Blackrock Dart Station. Admission to Gardens is €5 per garden. Opening hours are 12 noon – 4pm. For more information visit www.olh.ie/gardens

Child Safeguarding and Protection

The parish child Safeguarding Team is organising an Information and Training Session for volunteers who are engaged in the various parish ministries. As you are aware, the Diocese requires all those who do not necessarily work with children but who are engaged in a parish Ministry, in public, which may bring them into contact with children and/or vulnerable adults, to attend an Information Training and session (refresher every three years). If you are a volunteer in one of the parish groups which brings you into contact with children/young people and/or vulnerable adults, you are requested to please attend a Training Session on **Tuesday, 27th of June at 7pm in the Parish Centre**. The Parish Pastoral Council respectfully requests that you attend this session if possible. A further session will take place later in the year for those unable to attend on this occasion.

Commencement of work in the church

We are pleased to inform you that the necessary work on the church roof and other maintenance work commenced on Monday 29th May. It is expected that the work will be completed by the end of September. Week-day Masses at 7.30am and 10am will continue as usual as will Sunday Masses however it will not be possible to continue to have **Eucharistic Adoration** in the church on Tuesdays for the duration of the work. It may be necessary to close the church on some days following the 10am Mass so that the work can proceed efficiently and in compliance with Health and Safety requirements. Funerals, if any, can only take place at 10am Mass, and not at a later time.



World Meeting of Families

The World Meeting of Families will take place in **Dublin** from 21-26 August 2018. Preparations are underway and the diocese is appealing for the support of volunteers, as individuals or as groups, to assist it in organising this exciting event. Volunteers will be essential to the success of the event. The age limit is to be 18 years old or above on 1st January 2018. There is no upper age limit! An information leaflet is available from the **Sacristy**. All volunteers will be required to provide a photo and complete a Garda Vetting Form **for the diocese** as part of the application. Registration will be handled on line so please ask a family member for help in this regard, if required. Please visit the website www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer for further details.

<i>Priests of the Parish</i>		<i>Confessions</i>
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
<i>Email & Website</i>		<i>Baptisms</i>
info@booterstownparish.ie www.booterstownparish.ie		Third Saturday of the month @ 12 noon
<i>Mass Times</i>		<i>Marriages</i>
Saturday: 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm		By arrangement, 3 months notice required
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
<i>Rosary</i>		(Mon - Fri: 9-10 am & 10.30-1.30 pm)
Mon – Sat at 9.40 am		Sacristan: Paul Lyng 288 8586
<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>		St. Marys Boys School 288 6830
Tuesday after 10 am Mass – 10 pm		Our Lady of Mercy Girls School 288 4223