



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

13th August 2017

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In brief

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

St. Vincent de Paul: if you are experiencing difficulties with your living expenses, food and energy costs, medical expenses or 'Back to School costs', please make a fully confidential approach to the Society at their Head Office 01 – 855 0022 and a member will contact you.

Parish Church: 10.00 am Mass will take place in the church from Monday 14th August.

John Main: International Conference 15/16 September, Trinity College. Please see the poster in the church porch or visit: www.tcd.ie/loyola-institute and www.christianmeditation.ie

National Grandparents' Pilgrimage to Knock: Sunday, 10th September at Knock Shrine. Please see the poster in the church porch. www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning for the Hospice: Thursday 14th September at 10.30 am in the Parish Centre, hosted by the Thursday Morning Hospitality Group. The Thursday morning teas will resume on Thursday 3rd Sept.



SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

Matthew 14:22-33

1. The story illustrates the power of faith. Have you noticed that when you believe in someone, or something, you can do things that would not be possible when you are full of doubts? Recall moments when your faith gave you strength and courage? Name for yourself the different kinds of faith that had this effect: belief in yourself, trust in another, faith in God.
2. When Jesus got into the boat the winds ceased. Who has been a Jesus person for you and helped to calm a storm that frightened you or made you anxious?
3. The experience of Peter gives encouragement to us when we waver in our trust and belief in God. In his doubt and fear Jesus reached out to him. Who has reached out a helping hand to you when you felt you were sinking?
4. The story ends with a profession of faith in Jesus as the Son of God. Have you had experiences of being rescued from some hazard or danger, experiences which deepened your faith in the presence and compassion of God for you?



Parish Feast Day: On Tuesday, 15th August, we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our parish Feast Day and a Solemnity. Mass will be celebrated at **10.00 am** and at **7.30 pm**. We are delighted that "we will have our church back" for the parish Feast Day as the daily 10.00 am Mass will resume, as usual, in the church from Monday, 14th August (no longer in the Parish Centre). The building contractors will continue their work on the church roof and to the external fabric of the church, so please continue to exercise courtesy and caution in the church car park. We thank all parishioners and friends of the parish for their understanding and cooperation as these essential works continue.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has appointed Fr. Gerry Kane as the new Parish Administrator in Booterstown and has accepted the resignation of Fr. Cormac McIlraith on his reaching the retirement age of 75. Fr. Cormac has been appointed Parish Chaplain in Sandymount Parish. The appointments will come into effect from early September.

Mass in Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Fr. Cormac in the Parish: A special Mass will be celebrated in the church on **Friday, 25th August at 7.30 pm** in celebration of Fr. Cormac's Ministry in this Parish from 2011 until the present. Where has the time gone! The theme of the Mass will be one of thanksgiving with special emphasis on the charisms of Fr. Cormac's Ministry. Everyone is welcome. Light refreshments will be served Our Lady of Mercy Convent School hall after Mass.

Rest in Peace: We pray for those who have died recently and especially those whose funerals took place since 1st July:

Renée (Mary) Hynes, Glenomena Park;
 Marianne Nangle, Blackrock;
 Bridie Kilroy, formerly of Hyde Park Ave and Beechlaw;
 Sal (Sorcha) O'Doherty, Hyde Park Ave; Adrian Ryan, Glenomena Grove; Gerald McVey, St. Helier Copse and Ita O'Riordan, Cherbury Gardens (whose funeral took place in Blackrock).

Interested in Spirituality? A new programme is being offered in partnership with Lumen Dominican Centre, Sion Hill Campus, Blackrock, Co. Dublin. This Adult Certificate in Spirituality is a two-year part-time programme which takes place on Thursday evenings from 7.00 – 9.30 pm and on six Saturdays each year. The programme, which will begin on 28th September 2017, is an exciting and spiritually enriching programme, open to all, and no prior learning is required. Please contact anneryanflanagan@gmail.com or Tel. 086 884 3652.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival : will take place in the Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co Tipperary from Thursday 17th – Sunday 20th August. For young people aged 18 – 25, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people with over 1400 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses travelling from all over Ireland. For more information visit www.youth2000.ie or Tel. 01 675 3690.

Catholic Young Adults Conference 2017 : will take place in All Hallows College, Dublin on 2nd – 3rd September for those aged between 18 – 40 years. Cost €50 for Non-residential and €80 Residential (all meals included). Phone Keith 086-889 9123 Lucy 087-9959 803.

Liturgy Dates for your Diary: Saturday 2nd September 6.00 pm (Vigil) Mass: Blessing of the Sick (in conjunction with the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 7th-12th September).

Blessing of Schoolbags: Sunday 10th September at 10.30 am Mass: bring your schoolbag! All those starting school or preschool this September will receive a special blessing.

Blessing for Retirement: Thursday 21st September at 10 am Mass – we invite all those who have retired or plan to retire in 2017 to attend and receive a blessing.

Southwood Park Residents' Association has arranged a Memorial Mass for their long-time neighbour, Michael Greene, who died in May this year. The Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, 15th August at 10 am

Parish Hospitality – Second Sunday of the Month: Many thanks to the gracious volunteers who provide hospitality after 10.30 am Mass on the Second Sunday of each month. Sunday hospitality will resume on 10th September after 10.30 am Mass, 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. **N.B.** New volunteers must complete their Garda Vetting prior to becoming involved.

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 or friend for their help in this regard. 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 Boosterstown 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		Third Saturday of the month @ 12 noon
www.booterstownparish.ie		<i>Marriages</i>
<i>Mass Times</i>		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
<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 – 10pm		Our Lady of Mercy Girls School 288 4223