



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

20th August 2017

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In brief

Lumen Dominican Centre

Copies of the programme for the Autumn Term of courses available at the Sion Hill campus is available from the church porch.

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.

Ministers of the Eucharist: The new roster is available from the Sacristy.

John Main: International Conference 15/16 September, Trinity College. Please see the poster in the church porch.

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. after the Summer break. All welcome !



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?



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 Sunday 3rd 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.

Helping Hands Please!

Fr. Cormac's Farewell: We would be grateful for some helping hands to assist in setting up our Lady of Mercy School Hall on **Friday 25th August at 2.30 pm**. Please meet at the school—the entrance is through the church car park and up the steps or the front entrance at Rosemount Terrace. If you can assist please contact the Parish Office Tel. 283 1593

Viatores Christi: Are you interested in volunteering overseas or to you want to do a course on global social injustice? Learn more at an Information and Recruitment Session on Sat. 26th August Tel. 01-8689 986.

Important Notice:

The building contractors 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 and in the vicinity of the church. We thank all parishioners and friends of the parish for their understanding and cooperation as these essential works continue.

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.

UCD Research to Improve Health and Aging : The UCD Institute of Food and Health is recruiting adults of age 50+ to participate in a new research project which will explore the role of B-vitamins in healthy aging. If you are aged 50 years+ , you may be eligible to take part in an exciting 2-year trial to see if B-vitamins can benefit health as we get older. Please see notice in church porch or contact Roberta 01—716 2804 or roberta.hackmendes@ucd.ie

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.

St. John of God Hospital are holding an 8 week Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) course commencing 5th September. Please see the notice in the church porch or Tel. 01—277 1472.

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. On Monday 21st August the launch of the one-year programme of preparation for the World Meeting of Families will take place at Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo. This day of celebration will include liturgical moments, the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops, as well as faith and fun activities for all the family. The WMOF Icon of the Holy Family will be unveiled in the Basilica at 3 pm and begin its journey around the dioceses of Ireland. Everyone is welcome to attend in Knock on Monday 21st August. We emphasise that everyone is part of a family whether married, single, lay or consecrated. We are members of a parish family and of the wider church family also.

<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 Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon Mon - Fri: 7.30 & 10 am	By arrangement, 3 months notice required Parish Secretary: Thérèse O'Donoghue Parish Office: Tel & Fax 01 283 1593
<i>Rosary</i>	(Mon - Fri: 9-10 am & 10.30-1.30 pm) Sacristan: Paul Lyng 288 8586
Mon – Sat at 9.40 am	St. Marys Boys School 288 6830
<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	Our Lady of Mercy Girls School 288 4223
Tuesday after 10 am Mass – 10pm	