



# BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWS

22nd October 2017

*Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

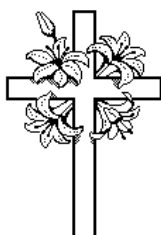
### In brief:

**Church Car Park:** a number of parishioners have remarked on how difficult it is to find a parking space when attending daily Mass. The parish Finance Committee and parish team have been monitoring the carpark for the past month and have noted that the car park is being used by commuters and others for long-term parking. We will continue to monitor the car park carefully and we request those who are parking on a casual basis to kindly park elsewhere. The carpark situation will be continued to be monitored until the end of October when it may prove necessary to take further action.

**Mission Sunday** is celebrated today in every country where the Church is present. Today, Pope Francis invites you to contribute to a special Mission Sunday collection (second collection) to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. We are privileged to have a number of religious and missionary orders in our parish and members of some of these orders (the Holy Rosary Sisters and the Medical Missionaries of Mary) will speak at Masses this weekend. A Mass to mark Mission Sunday is being televised on RTE 1 today (Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>) at 11 a.m.

### Rest in Peace:

We remember those who have died and especially Michael Feeny, Blackrock. May he Rest in Peace.



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

#### Matthew 22:15-21

1. The story sees a mixture of religion and politics, a potentially explosive combination. Jesus does not ask us to avoid politics, but that our involvement in the affairs of the world be informed by the perspective of the reign of God. How does the gospel give you a vision of how your involvement in society should be?

2. Pharisees and Herodians were not natural allies but a shared dislike of Jesus brought them together in an attempt to discredit him.

Perhaps you experience the same opposition in society today when you profess to being a Catholic. Jesus did not get into an argument with them but simply professed his belief in the priority of God in his life. What have you found helpful in bearing witness to the fact that you are still a Catholic?

3. Jesus recognises that we can be faced with conflicting claims for attention. He does not tell us how to solve that dilemma, but challenges us to make sure that our allegiance to God takes priority. When have you been faced with a conflict of loyalties? What helped you to get your priorities



### LITURGY NOTES

**Weekly Eucharistic Adoration** takes place every Tuesday after 10 am Mass and concludes at 10.00 pm. We are delighted to see so many people visiting the church on Tuesdays. However, we are still looking for people who are willing to go on the register. People ask "What do you do at Adoration?" People pray in different ways – but one suggestion is to divide the hour into four sections ACTS – Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, Supplication, or, as Pope Francis advises in preparation for the World Meeting of Families, include the words "Please, Thank you and I am Sorry". There are books available in the church also.

**Weekday Mass** please note that there will not be a 7.30 am Mass during the school mid-term break Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November inclusive.

**Mass of Welcome:** Now that Fr. Gerry has had some weeks to settle in to his new home and parish, it is appropriate to celebrate his welcome. We will have an opportunity to do this in a special way on **Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30 am Mass**. The Parish Pastoral Council warmly invites you to attend this Mass and also to join us for refreshments in the Parish Centre after Mass. Everyone is welcome.

**Altar List of the Dead Envelopes** are available in the church porch and may be returned to the Presbytery, the Sacristy or the Parish Office.

**Keep Fit Classes for Seniors** – take place in the Parish Centre every Monday at 10.30 am. The 45 minute class is given by a parishioner, Johnny Carroll, a Fitness Instructor. Johnny leads these chair-based exercises at a gentle and age-appropriate pace and is encouraging and motivating to everyone. The classes are subsidised, thanks to a Community Grant received from DLRCC, so the cost for you is €5 per session. Please come along and try it out and enjoy meeting fellow parishioners. We hope you will join us!

**Dublin City Marathon** will take place on Sun. 29th October from 9 am. This may affect traffic in the area as you try to attend Mass. Check marathon website: <http://sseairtricitydublinmarathon.ie> and familiarise yourself with the route and times of road closures.

**The Caring Group** will meet on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre. Members visit parishioners who are in nursing homes or in their own homes and would like a visit. Volunteers are always welcome. If you are interested, please come along or please let us know if you have a neighbour who is housebound and would welcome a visit. Contact Sr. Colette on 087-6309166.

**St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:** will have their next meeting on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30 am. This very committed group carry out their Mission very faithfully in praying for vocations and in supporting students in formation for the priesthood.



**News from Booterstown Parish Youth Club:** Activities have commenced and the **Annual General Meeting** of the Youth Club will take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 8.00 pm in the Youth Club. The Youth Club is open to primary school children. Visit [www.booterstownparishyouthclub.ie](http://www.booterstownparishyouthclub.ie)

**Booterstown Parish Youth Club** needs volunteers to supervise ongoing activities in the club. Alternatively, you can run your own workshop using your talents and expertise. This opportunity might suit parents whose children are already members, retirees or those setting up their own business. In particular, those who are skilled in the craft of **Knitting** are also needed!. You may volunteer for a long or short time however, all volunteers are subject to references, Garda Vetting and training, which will be carried out in conjunction with Crosscare Youth Services. Call Deirdra Pickering 086 – 80 666 07 for details.

**Altar Servers:** We are now recruiting additional altar servers to join those who are currently serving Mass. If you have received your First Communion and think that you might be interested, please collect an application form from the parish office. All children will receive training and may choose to serve at the Mass that suits them. Typically, children will serve every second Sunday and Masses included are 6 pm on

**Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed** will be celebrated on **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> November at 3.00 pm**. At this Mass we will remember all those whose funerals have taken place from our church during the past year, October 2016 – October 2017. We will also pray for babies who died before or around the time of birth. A book will shortly be available in the church porch, in which the names of loved ones, who have died in other years, or in other parishes during the past year, can be entered. The book will be placed on the Altar during the Mass.

**Anniversaries for the coming week:** Thurs. 26 Oct. - Gerry Casey (1<sup>st</sup> A); Sat. 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 6.00 pm – Vera Joyce (1<sup>st</sup> A); Sun. 29<sup>th</sup> 12 Noon – Ben Corcoran (6<sup>th</sup> A); Anne Walpole (2<sup>nd</sup> A), remembering her parents, Michael and Mary Butler; Paul O'Connor (2<sup>nd</sup> A), remembering his son, Philip; Dermot Butler.

<i>Priests of the Parish</i>		<i>Confessions</i>
<b>Fr. Gerry Kane</b> 52 Booterstown Ave.	<b>Parish Priest</b> 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,</b> Booterstown Ave.	<b>Pastor Emeritus</b> 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 &amp; 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
<i>Saturday:</i> 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm		
<i>Sunday:</i> 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon		Parish Secretary: Thérèse O'Donoghue
<i>Mon - Fri:</i> 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