



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

29th October 2017

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In brief:

Church Car Park: We continue to monitor the car park carefully so that our parishioners can attend church services. We request those who are parking on a casual basis to kindly park elsewhere.

Mission Sunday Many thanks to all those who supported the special collection last Sunday which was taken up for World Missions Ireland. The total amount realised was €4,075.

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.

Altar Servers: We are 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 Sat. and 10.30 am & 12 noon on Sun.

Public Holiday As Monday 30th October is a public holiday, there will be one Morning Mass at 11 o'clock after which the church will be closed.

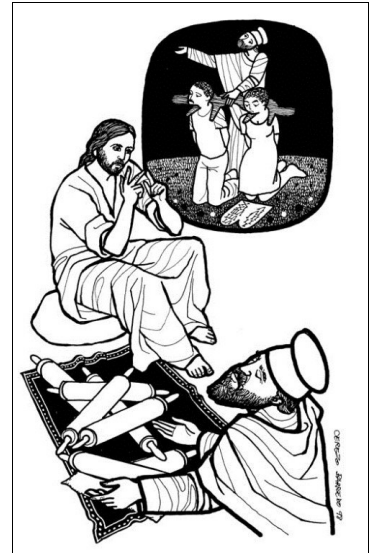
Weekday Mass: Please note that there will not be a 7.30 am Mass during the school midterm break, Monday 29th October to Friday 3rd November inclusive.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

Matthew 22:34-40

1. You may feel some sympathy with the Jews struggling to cope with 613 laws and wondering which were the important ones. But have you ever felt overwhelmed by the rules and regulations of your own tradition? And have you ever been blessed by meeting someone, or reading something, that was able to cut through all the layers and point out to you what is essential in life? Who was that person? What did they say or do? Is there some phrase or text that encapsulates such wisdom for you?

2. If you were asked what is most important in life, what would your answer be? Recall the experiences and relationships you have had. Which are the ones that you treasure most? What has particularly enriched your life? How would you encourage another person who asked you how s/he could live a full life?



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.

Fest Days this Week: Wednesday 1st November is the Feast of All Saints. It is a Solemnity and Mass times will be at 10.00 am and 7.30 pm.

On **Thursday, 2nd November** it is All Souls Day - the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Mass will be at 10.00 am. The church remains open throughout the day for those who wish to make a visit.

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, 5th 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.

Anniversaries for the coming week: Wed. 1st Nov. 10 am – Breide Walsh; Sat. 4th Nov. Vigil – Lillie & Edward Sullivan; Sunday 5th November 12 noon - Paddy Dempsey, Maurice Hennigan (2nd A), 3. John and Molly Woods and their daughter, Dymna. The **Month's Mind Mass** for Maurice Leonard will take place on Sunday 5th November at 12 Noon.

Thursday Morning Hospitality: On Thursday, 9th November, representatives of Dublin Bus will attend the weekly Tea Morning in the Parish Centre at 10.30 am. They 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 to gain confidence when travelling by bus. Everyone is welcome.

The Irish Pilgrimage Trust is seeking applications for young people to travel to Lourdes next Easter. They welcome applications from young people with a physical disability or illness (aged 11 – 30); A learning disability (aged 11 – 30); a serious illness up to the age of 11 accompanied by a parent or guardian. Forms and further information are available online at www.irishpilgrimagetrust.ie or 091-796622. There is no cost for guests to travel with the trust. Volunteer carers pay their own fare and fundraise during the year to cover the cost of the guests.

An Invitation to *Laudato Si'* A Springboard for ambition Climate Action in Ireland: the presentation will take place on Thursday, 16th November, 7.00 pm – 9.30 pm in Room G15, ISE – Loyola Building, Trinity College, Dublin 2. Registration 6.30 pm. Attendance is free but reservation is necessary. susan.cullen@trocaire.org See poster in church porch for details. Excellent panel of speakers.

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated on **Sunday, 12th 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.

World Meeting of Families 2018 - As we begin this parish's preparation for the World Meeting of Families next year, our parish community gathers together to pray for all parish families – everyone is part of a family, no matter what age or what stage in life we are at and whether we are married, single, separated or widowed – we all come from a family and we are all members of the parish family and the wider Church family. We will inform you in the near future as to how this parish will prepare for the World Meeting of Families.

News from the Parish Social Group: Please save the date:- Sunday 26th November— as a Cake Sale & Raffle will take place after Masses.

Christian Meditation Ireland National Retreat Day on Saturday, 11th November 2017: **Theme “Friendship and the Human Journey”**. Venue: Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan from 10 am – 4 pm. The Retreat will be given by Laurence Freeman OSB. Poster/flyers in church porch.

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! **Note:** As Monday 30th is a public holiday, the class this week will take place on Tuesday 31st at 10.30 am.

Priests of the Parish		Confessions
Fr. Gerry Kane 52 Booterstown Ave.	Parish Priest 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, Booterstown Ave.	Pastor Emeritus 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