

# ***Booterstown Parish Weekly Newsletter***

***Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**15<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

**Booterstown Parish Website** is regularly updated. Please visit [www.booterstownparish.ie](http://www.booterstownparish.ie) and keep up to date with news and events in the parish as well as providing links to other relevant websites.

**The 7.30 am Weekday Mass** is not celebrated during the months of July and August.

**The Parish Office** will be closed from **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July inclusive**.

**St. Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow:** next weekend we will welcome Fr. Joe Rabbitt of St. Patrick's Missionary Society who will speak at Mass about the Mission and the work of the society. Fr. Joe looks forward to meeting parishioners after Mass.

## **LITURGY NOTES**

**Eucharistic Adoration** is not taking place during the Summer months of July and August. .

**Ministers of Holy Communion** are reminded to collect their **August roster** from the Sacristy. The roster is also available on the parish website.

**Legion of Mary – Frank Duff Prayer Group:** The July meeting will take place in the church on **Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> July** with a Holy Hour at **2.30 pm**. This will be followed by a cup of tea in Gleeson's. All are welcome to join us.

**World Meeting of Families – Mass in the Phoenix Park.** The coach is now fully booked. It will depart from Booterstown Church on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> August at a time yet to be advised to us. The National Transport Authority advise that the coach parking bay could be 2 kilometres from the venue where Mass will be celebrated so please ensure that you arrive prepared to walk this distance. We recommend that you carry a back-pack containing water, a packed lunch, raingear (suncream!), and a light fold-up chair. Wear comfortable footwear!

**World Meeting of Families – Host Parish to the German Pilgrims:** We have been asked to be a “**host parish**” to the WMOF German pilgrims on the evening of **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August**. The WMOF Office request is that we extend an invitation to the German visitors to a **Service in our church** which will take place on **the evening of Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> August** at a time to be decided. As Fr. Gerry is on holidays, no decision about the format of the evening will be taken until his return. In the meantime, we will welcome suggestions and offers of assistance e.g. if you speak some German, you might like to be involved as a “Minister of Welcome” on the evening, or you may prefer to help with hospitality as we will offer refreshments. Another idea might be to provide some cultural entertainment. Please telephone the Parish Office 01-2831593, (closed 17-19 July), if you would like to be involved in some aspect of the event. We look forward to hearing from you as we hope to make this a very special occasion for the German Pilgrims.

**Rest in Peace:** We pray for all those who have died during the past week and especially those whose funerals took place in our church: Jimmy Gilsenan and Mary Quilligan.

**St. Martin's Episcopal Choir from Houston, Texas** will perform a concert in All Saints Church, Carysfort Avenue on **Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm**. The concert will consist of sacred choral masterworks by Tallis, Hassler, Mendelssohn, Stanford and Lauridsen. Tickets cost €10 and the proceeds will be shared between All Saints Church and the Alzheimers Society of Ireland. Tickets available from Michael Orr (086 6017313) or at the door.

**Boooterstown Community & Arts Centre, Grotto Avenue**, invite you to attend a **free** Preview showing on **Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> July at 8.00 pm** of a romantic musical drama entitled **Across Blue Waters, The Promise**. The show will feature many prominent musical actors who are well known in Dublin. The director, Conor O'Malley is local! He will bring the show to Bunclody a few days later as part of the Bunclody Festival. We wish the production well.

**Prayer Day at South Hill Evangelical Church, South Hill Park, on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 9.00 am to 9.00 pm**. The Elders, Keith Chipperfield and Alan Gorman invite parishioners to call in at anytime throughout the day to join a Day of Prayer for our Nation.

**Parish Social Group – Thursday Morning Teas** are taking place temporarily in Gleeson's while the construction work on the Pastoral Centre is being carried out. This arrangement continues during July and August for our regular attendees who are enjoying the scones!

**St. Vincent de Paul Annual Clothing Appeal:** This was postponed from last March due to the snow! New dates are: **Distribution of bags:** 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> August. **Collection of bags:** 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> August after morning Mass only. Please do not bags in the porch prior to 11<sup>th</sup> August.

**Lumen Dominican Centre, Sion Hill – Adult Education Certificate in Spirituality** – this is a two year evening programme which will commence in September 2018. The course will take place on Thursday evenings from 7.00 – 9.30 pm and will include some Saturdays. Each year, fifteen modules are covered which deal with key issues in spiritual development. There are no exams and no prior learning is required. The course director is Anne Ryan Flanagan and more details may be obtained from the leaflets in the church porch or by contacting Anne at [anneryanflanagan@gmail.com](mailto:anneryanflanagan@gmail.com) or 086-8843652

**Irish Cancer Society – Volunteer drivers urgently needed:** The Irish Cancer Society has a free volunteer transport service for chemotherapy patients attending our partner hospitals for treatment (St. Vincent's Hospital, Tallaght Hospital, St. James' Hospital and the Mater Hospital). We are struggling to recruit drivers to facilitate patient needs at the moment. We need an extra 80 drivers for our Volunteer Driver Service in South Dublin. We are looking for drivers with free weekday availability who have a car available to them. Drivers should be able to commit to driving at least two full (week)days a month. All volunteer expenses are paid. If you would like to volunteer, please call Laura on 01 2310 594 for an application form.

**You are Precious.....**we think of students as we read the reflection below – as they progress to secondary school or to a third level college and have to face new challenges in their lives... You are precious to your family, to your teachers, to your friends. You have your own unique personality which brings something extra to any group or society or club you may belong to in the future. Don't underestimate yourself! And you are precious to the Lord, more precious than all the flowers in the fields! For the Lord loves you and wants to see you happy in life....