



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

18th November 2018

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Wisdom from the Pope: Proceed calmly in life: “Pope Francis refers to a quote from the novel *Don Segundo Sombra* by 20th century Argentinian writer Ricardo Güiraldes, in which the title character looks back on how he lived his life. The novelist writes that in one’s youth, a person is “a rocky stream that runs over everything”, but as one gets older, one becomes a “running river, quietly peaceful”.

World Meeting of Families: last weekend’s additional National Collection to help to defray the costs incurred during the WMOF and the Papal Visit, realised a total of €2,385. This was in place of the usual Share (second collection). A cheque has been sent to the Diocese.

Legion of Mary: Frank Duff Prayer Group: next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 20th November at 2.45 pm in the church. Everyone is welcome.

Church of the Guardian Angels, Newtownpark Avenue: the November series of talks will conclude this week on Thursday, 22nd November at 8.00 pm in the Murray Centre when Brother Mark McDonnell will speak on the important topic “Caring for Mother Earth : Our Home”. Donation.

Loyola Institute...invite you to their next lecture on Wednesday, 28th November at 7.30pm in Trinity College, Room G16, ISE-LI Building. Dr. Ann Buckley will address the theme *Singing and Prayer in the Middle Ages*

SEEING YOUR LIFE

THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

Mark 13:24-32

1. Jesus speaks of the established order falling apart, but the collapse of the old order opened the way for new possibilities. When have you seen something new and hopeful emerge after the collapse of something that you had expected to endure much longer, perhaps even for ever?
2. The parable of the fig tree. Even in winter, it begins to put forth leaves which give a hint of the fruit to come. Where have you found signs of hope in a wintry situation – in your own life, in the life of some group, in the life of the Church?
3. Jesus proposes no clear time-scale for the events being foretold, so the final sentence (v.32) is a call to alertness, to live the present to the full. What difference does it make to you when



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LITURGY NOTES Eucharistic Adoration continues on Tuesdays and we are grateful that the regular routine has resumed. Many thanks to all our faithful adorers who persevered in prayer despite the drilling and hammering. We are almost there!

Altar List of the Dead Envelopes are available in the church porch and may be returned to the Presbytery, the Sacristy or the temporary Parish Office, C/o 52 Booterstown Avenue.

Ministers of Holy Communion are reminded to collect the current rosters from the Sacristy. (The roster continues for December, with a separate page for Christmas Masses).

Anniversaries next week: Tues. 20th 7.30 am Philip Newport(A); Wed. 21st 10 am: Sheila Walshe (1st A); Thurs 21st 10 am: Frank Johnston; **Sat 24th Vigil:** Michael Fitzpatrick; **Sun. 25th** 10.30 am Noel Lynch (6th A) and Robbie Walshe (12th A); 12 noon: John Taylor (3rd A); Phyllis deValera (16th A), remembering her husband, Terry; **Month’s Mind** of John Sheldrick Saturday 24th November at the **Vigil**.

Our Lady’s Hospice – Light up a Life – a Ceremony of Remembrance and Celebration will take place in Our Lady’s Hospice on Sunday 2nd December at 3.45 pm.

Annual Mass in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Priesthood: join members of St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society to give thanks for the Gift of Priesthood in the St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, on Sunday, 25th November at 3.00 pm. Principal Celebrant will be Fr. Seamus McEntee, Chaplain to the Society. Homilist Fr. Bill O'Shaughnessy.

Next meeting of St. Joseph's Youth Priests Society will take place in the church on Thursday, 29th November after 10.00 am Mass. the Mass will be said in memory of the foundress of the society, Olivia Mary Taaffe the centenary of whose death occurred on 3rd May.

Christmas Fair: Coláiste Eoin & Coláiste Íosagáin are holding their annual Christmas Fair TODAY (18th November) between 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm. Items on sale are: cakes, crafts, plants, DVDs and prizes.

Little Sisters of the Poor on Roe-buck Road invite you to support their "Christmas Fayre" on Saturday, 24th November from 10.30 am until 4.00 pm. Everyone welcome.

St. Mary's Boys' National School Parent's Association – Annual Christmas Fair will take place on Sunday, 2nd December after the morning Masses. Please note the **venue is Our Lady of Mercy School Hall.**

November Reflection – In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them. When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them. When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them. When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them. So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of us, as we remember them. In the blowing of wind and in the chill of Winter, we remember them. In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of Spring, we remember them. In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of Summer, we remember them. In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of Autumn, we remember them. In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.

Pastoral Centre—latest developments work accelerated this week with the target of completion of building regulation tests before the nominated date of 23rd November looming large! Passing these regulation tests is required before the Architect can issue a substantial completion certificate. This certificate would be expected shortly after the inspection and will allow the Parish to take possession of the new Pastoral Centre. Notable progress this week was the paving of the entrance area. It only remains to landscape and replant the area and install new lighting. Work is also progressing apace behind the scenes as the beautiful oak cabinet, in which vestments were stored, has been returned to the parish, following its restoration. It is now installed in the new sacristy. As you can imagine, it is very important that we continue to fundraise and may we gently remind you that if you have not yet made a donation towards the Pastoral Centre Building Fund, now is a very timely opportunity to do so - as it is anticipated that there will be additional expenses during the coming weeks as the fit-out of the interior is completed. Each and every donation is most welcome and very much appreciated. Thank you – and we are very pleased to inform you that the shortfall is now **€459,930!**

Volunteering in the new Pastoral Centre: We are delighted to tell you that the first cohort of volunteers for our new Pastoral Centre have completed their Garda Vetting and Volunteer Application Forms. They have also attended a Child Safeguarding Information Session as required for all volunteers in any organisation. Volunteers will be involved in various roles such as Reception duties, the Café and the responsible task of opening up and closing of the centre. Tel. Parish Office 01—283 1593

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: The philosopher and Catholic social innovator, Jean Vanier, is a teacher of the wisdom of tenderness. The L'Arche movement, which he founded, centres around people with mental disabilities. An inspirational interview shows how Jean Vanier brings the most paradoxical religious teachings to life: that there's power in humility, strength in weakness, and light in the darkness of human existence. Access this beautiful interview and other valuable spiritual resources at www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

<i>Priests of the Parish</i>		<i>Confessions</i>
Fr. Gerry Kane 52 Booterstown Ave.	Parish Priest 086 8220956	After 10 am Mass & 6 pm Vigil Mass every Sat After 10 am Mass on Thursday before the First Friday
Mgr. Seamus Conway, Boosterstown 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
<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 - Thurs: 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