



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

19th January 2020

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thursday Morning Hospitality takes place weekly at 10.30 am in the Pastoral Centre. Why not make it a new year's resolution and call into the Pastoral Centre any Thursday morning at 10.30 am for tea/coffee and chat. Everyone is welcome! Many thanks to the gracious hostesses for their delicious home baking. Mothers and Babies are also most welcome for tea/ coffee and chat from 11.15 am.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: If you are experiencing difficulties with your living expenses, food and energy costs or medical expenses, especially at this time of the year, you can make a fully confidential approach to the Society at their Head Office – Tel. 01-8550022 and a member will respond to you.

Christmas Dues: Many thanks to all those who continue to send in Christmas Dues and/or Financial contributions to the Running Costs of the Parish. We are extremely grateful to you.

Parish Office Telephone: remains at 01 283 1593. **Email** info@booterstownparish.ie

Booterstown Parish Website is regularly updated. Visit www.booterstownparish.ie

Facebook: please follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with events in the church and with events, classes and activities in the Pastoral Centre.

Legion of Mary: Frank Duff Prayer Group will meet on Thursday, 30th January at 11 am in Meeting Room 1. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please note new meeting day and time.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

John 1 29-34

1. John is one who directs people to Jesus as the one who had a life-giving message for them. Who have been the people in your life whose example or advice pointed you in the direction of a fuller life? Who has helped you to appreciate the importance of Jesus and his message?

2. In the narrative, John recognised that Jesus had more to offer people than he himself had. John had the humility not to need to be the star of the show. Who have you known with that grounded sense of their own place?

3. John proclaims Jesus as one who takes away the sin of the world. Who have been the people who, for you, continued this mission of Jesus and led you from sin and guilt to forgiveness and freedom? For whom have you done this?

4. It was not just on the cross that Jesus gave his life as the Lamb of God. His public ministry was a constant struggle against injustice and oppression. When have you shared in this mission of Jesus? Who have been models of this for you?



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Liturgy Notes: The Eucharistic Adoration committee welcomes back all our regular volunteers and visitors who come to spend time in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Adoration takes place weekly on Tuesdays from 10.30 am until 10.00 pm. The committee will be most grateful for some new volunteers, and particularly a number who could commit to the time period of 12.00 noon to 1.00 pm. It is important that there is a minimum of 4 Adorers in the church at any one time. May we respectfully remind those who attend to remember to sign the register. Thank you.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: Inaugural Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place on **today, 19th January at 4.00 pm** in Church of the Assumption, Booterstown. The theme is "They showed us Unusual Kindness". The Guest Preacher is Rev. Abigail Sines, Dean's Vicar in Christ Church Cathedral. Light Refreshments, served in the Pastoral Centre, will follow the service. Everyone is warmly invited, including families, as children may like to see the dramatization of the shipwreck to illustrate one of the Readings.

Contributions to Parish Funds by monthly envelope-planned giving If you would like to contribute to Parish Funds—the running costs of the parish, by Standing Order or by monthly planned giving (a box of 12 monthly numbered envelopes), please contact Therese in the Parish Office for further details on 01-283 1593. Thank you for your support.

Men's Shed in the Booterstown Area: Would you be interested in being part of a Men's Shed?a dedicated, welcoming meeting place where men can come together, develop new friendships, share your skills and knowledge with others. Learn new skills and redevelop some old skills. If you are interested, please contact Ciarán on 087-6493420. An Information Evening will take place on **Thursday, 30th January at 7.30 pm** in the Pastoral Centre.

Pro-Life Talk will take place on Thursday, 23rd January at 7.30 pm in the Presentation Brothers Hall, rear, Glashule Road. Speakers Vicky Wall, Every Life Counts, Michael Dwyer and Paddy Manning. All welcome.

Dundrum Methodist Church, Ballinteer – Let's Whist Again – Weekly Whist Drive on Tuesdays, 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm. Free parking, tea/coffee. Beginners welcome, open to all ages. Sharpen your memory. Keep your brain agile. Contact Anni 086 2573536

Booterstown Community Centre, Grotto Avenue: **Pilates** for Mums on the Run – Tuesdays from 2 pm – 3 pm. All are welcome. Contact Lisa at 086-324 1652

Lumen Centre: Adult Education Centre, Sion Hill – brochures available for Spring term.

Change to weekday Mass in the New Year: Since **Monday, 13th January**, there is no longer a 7.30 am or 10.00 am Mass on **Mondays**. The church, Parish Office and Pastoral Centre are closed on a Monday.

Weekday Mass is celebrated in the Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Merrion Road at 7.30 am; 10.00 am and 12 noon and in Church of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock at 1.05 pm. **New Sunday Mass times** in Church of St. John the Baptist, **Blackrock:** Vigil: 6.30; Sunday: 10 am and 12 noon. Saturday 11 am

Pastoral Centre Activities:

Social Bridge – continues each Friday from 2.00 pm until 4.45 pm approx.. No partner is necessary as we are a friendly and welcoming group. Please be seated by 1.50 pm. €5.00 payable on the day. Enquiries to eddiemortimer0@gmail.com or Tel. 01-288 0261.

Computer Classes – on Tuesday mornings commencing at **11.15 am** – Bring along your laptop, Tablet or smartphone to this class which is free of charge and your tutor will guide you as to how to make the best use of your device. Please ensure your device is fully charged up.

Alpha Programme in the Pastoral Centre: Why not Pause Netflix and Try Alpha? continuing on Wednesday, 22nd January and taking place weekly, in the Pastoral Centre at **7.30 pm**. Alpha enables people to experience a purpose in life, explore the big questions of life in a loving, non-confrontational, trusting place. It explains how the Church can be a place of safety, joy, peace and love, a place where you can belong and where you can experience healing, restoration and unconditional love in a family/faith community. Alpha is free and it is open to all age groups. To register, contact Adrienne on -01-441 9303 or email centre@booterstownparish.ie it is not too late to join.

Pastoral Centre: A series of monthly talks, given by parishioners, will commence on Thursday, 23rd January in the **Pastoral Centre at 8.00 pm**. It is hoped that these talks will familiarise the parishioners with their fellow members. The initial talk in **“Know your Parishioners”** series will be given by **Jimmy Sheehan**, Retired Orthopaedic surgeon and founder of the Blackrock Clinic. It will deal with his experience of over 50 years in healthcare. Please reserve a place with Adrienne at Reception or email centre@booterstownparish.ie as **spaces are limited it is essential to register.**

Parish Ministries and Parish Groups: co-ordinators are requested to email the Manager of the Pastoral Centre, Adrienne Hughes, with a list of the dates on which they intend to hold their 2020 meetings in the Pastoral Centre. Adrienne needs to know these dates, otherwise she is unable to allocate meeting rooms and you may not get your requested meeting room, date or time. Please email centre@booterstownparish.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, 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
<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
<i>Saturday:</i> 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm		
<i>Sunday:</i> 9am and 11.am		Parish Secretary: Thérèse O'Donoghue
<i>Tue- Fri:</i> 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