



# BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 6th June 2021

*Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

**In brief:** a limited number of newsletters are available from the table in the church. If you pick up a newsletter, **kindly take it home with you** and please do not return it to the table for another parishioner or a visitor to handle. Thank you!

**Booterstown Parish Website** is updated weekly. Visit [www.booterstownparish.ie](http://www.booterstownparish.ie) to keep up to date with liturgical and parish news.

**Webcam** Join our virtual parish community via the parish webcam which continues to broadcast live the 10 o'clock Mass from Tuesday to Sunday inclusive. If you are not free to join the livestream at 10.00 am, a recording of the Mass can be played back later in the day, at your own convenience. The recordings are retained for about 24 hours and then deleted. Visit [www.churchservices.tv/ChurchoftheAssumption/booterstown](http://www.churchservices.tv/ChurchoftheAssumption/booterstown)

**St. Vincent de Paul:** If you need some support and assistance with expenses such as heating, medical expenses, school expenses, shopping etc., the St. Vincent de Paul Conference members request that you make initial contact with their Head Office on 01-855 0022 and leave your contact details. The monthly outdoor collection will be taken up next weekend.

**Eucharistic Adoration Weekly** takes place on **Tuesdays** at 10.30 am and continues until 10.00 pm.

**Confession:** Please make initial contact with Fr. Gerry to make an arrangement.

### Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

1. The symbolic gesture of breaking and sharing bread and sharing the cup, that Jesus made at the Last Supper, symbolised the offering of himself that he would make on Calvary, giving his life for others. Sometimes we also are called to give our lives for others. We can do this grudgingly or with a generous heart. What difference has it made for you when you were able to give yourself freely?

2. In his encyclical letter *Deus Caritas Est* Pope Benedict XVI wrote, 'A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is essentially fragmented'. What has helped you to be aware of the importance of the link between the Eucharist and your lifestyle?

3. Jesus involved his disciples both in the preparation for the Last Supper and in its celebration. Recall times when you had a heightened awareness of participation and involvement in the Mass. What helped to give you this awareness? Are there lessons from these special experiences that you can bring with you to the routine Sunday Mass?



**Liturgy Notes: Mass for the Intentions of all Leaving Certificate Students 2021:** the 10.00 am Mass on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June, will be offered for the intentions of all Leaving Certificate students and their family. Prayer/Reflection leaflets for the students are on the table in the church.

**We continue to welcome parishioners and visitors back to the public celebration of Mass** and we rejoice in your presence in the church and the Pastoral Centre pod. It is great that we can meet again after more than four months of empty churches during times of Masses and religious ceremonies. Please note that there is **no 10:00 am Mass on Mondays**, however you will be able to receive Mass on webcam from another church. Although we have returned to the public celebration of Mass, churches continue to broadcast Mass on the webcam for parishioners who might not be comfortable to return to the church just yet.

**Sunday Masses:** Saturday Vigil at 6 o'clock and Sunday at 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Please try to arrive in good time for Mass to allow sufficient time to be seated in the church and, if the numbers in the church reach 50, you will be directed to the Pastoral Centre. **Request:** Occasionally, if there is a number of Anniversaries booked for a particular weekend Mass, some parishioners may be requested to attend Mass in the Pastoral Centre, to enable the families who have booked an Anniversary Mass to be seated in the church.

**Facemasks must always be worn** when entering the church for Mass, the Rosary, a private visit and Eucharistic Adoration. Please remember you sanitise your hands also.

**Parish Office Telephone:** is 01 283 1593. **Email** [info@booterstownparish.ie](mailto:info@booterstownparish.ie) The Parish Secretary is working behind closed doors from Monday – Friday, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm if you wish to book an Anniversary Mass, require a Mass Card or have a query that we can assist you wish.

**Global Rosary Rally:** will take place on the **Feast of the Sacred Heart, Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30 pm** in the Church of the Assumption, Booterstown. You may attend in person (please wear a mask) or watch on the parish webcam. This is the fourth year in which our parish has participated in the event and we are grateful to the members of St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society in the parish who are leading the Rosary Rally for our parish.

**At Mass We Remember:** At Mass we remember how Jesus, Our Saviour, said 'Do This in Memory of Me'. His dying, his living, His loving, His giving. Do this in memory of me. The Eucharist reminds us that Jesus, Our Saviour, died to save us from sin. A special sign to last for all time. Do this in memory of me. At Mass we remember that Jesus, Our Saviour, will one day return to us here. He promised his friends he would come back again. Do this in memory of me. *(Reflection is from Grow in Love, Sixth Class, pub-*

**Recently Deceased:** Richard Maume, Blackrock; Jerome Counihan, Shankill; Enda McDermott, late of SVUH, and Kathleen Shaw.

**Month's Mind** Veronica Hersey

**Anniversaries this weekend:**

**Vigil:** Edward Burke.

**11.00 AM:** Seamus Kearney (11<sup>th</sup> A), remembering his son-in-law, Andrew Casey whose 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occurs; Austin McMahon.

**Health and Safety precautions:** Since the church has reopened for Mass, we are very impressed by the respect that those who attend show their fellow parishioners and visitors. Everyone is wearing a mask and maintaining their distance from others, (unless sharing the same home), and availing of the sanitizers. We are again indebted to our kind "Guardian Angel Volunteers" who ensure the health, comfort and safety of all those who attend daily and weekend Masses. We honestly could not manage without you.

**Baptisms are not permitted at present** Public Health advice is that special religious ceremonies, including First Holy Communions and Confirmations should continue to be postponed for the month of June. In line with the gradual re-opening of society, from 5<sup>th</sup> July onwards, these ceremonies, and Baptisms, may take place while complying with Covid-19 guidance, but ideally, where possible, should be re-scheduled for Autumn when it will be safer to do so. The Gov.ie Covid-19 website has been updated accordingly. Archbishop Farrell has written to all parishes in this regard and his letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> June, is on the parish website and on the church notice boards. The Archbishop says that it is understandable that children and their families have been looking forward to celebrating these sacraments and postponement is upsetting, but the priority is to protect the child, their family and the wider community.

**The Parish Finance Committee, joined by Fr. Gerry** extend their sincere appreciation to all those who so generously sent in their Easter Dues. An amount of € 52.670.00 was transferred to the Archdiocese this week. The entire proceeds of the Easter (and Christmas) Dues are transferred to the Archdiocese to support all the clergy of the diocese, active, sick and retired. Your generosity, at a time which is very difficult for everyone, is overwhelming.

**Tax Relief on Christmas and Easter Dues:** Although the Easter and Christmas Dues donations are transferred in full to the Archdiocese, the parish is able to claim the tax relief on Dues (when the total, annual contribution of the Donor to the parish exceeds the amount of €250.00

**Lectio Divina** commenced weekly on Thursday evenings via Zoom. If you wish to join and can access Zoom, please email the Parish Office, [info@booterstownparish.ie](mailto:info@booterstownparish.ie) and the link for Zoom will be sent to

Priests of the Parish		Confessions
Fr. Gerry Kane	Parish Priest	By Arrangement with Fr. Gerry Kane
52 Booterstown Ave.	086 8220956	
		Special arrangements are available for those with a disability. Please contact clergy
Email & Website		Baptisms
<a href="mailto:info@booterstownparish.ie">info@booterstownparish.ie</a>		Third Saturday of the month @ 12 noon
<a href="http://www.booterstownparish.ie">www.booterstownparish.ie</a>		Marriages
Mass Times		By arrangement, 3 months notice required
<b>Saturday:</b> 10am & Vigil Mass at 6pm		
<b>Sunday:</b> 9am and 11.am		Parish Secretary: Thérèse O'Donoghue
<b>Tue- Fri:</b> 10 am		Parish Office: Tel & Fax 01 283 1593
Rosary		(Tue - Fri. 9-10 am & 10.30-1.30 pm)
Tue – 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