



BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 11th July 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In brief: a limited number of newsletters and missalettes are available from the table in the church. If you handle either of these, **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 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 Saturday inclusive as well as the Sunday and Vigil Masses. If you are not free to join the livestream, 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

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 after Mass this weekend. If you prefer to contribute by envelope, the SVP conference has placed some envelopes for this purpose in the church porch.

Anniversaries at this time: Niall McGarry, Jack & Mary Quilligan, Eileen Marren and Lil and Dick Byrne.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

Mark 6: 7-13

1. Jesus gave the disciples a share in his mission by sending them out ahead of him. It was a gesture of trust and confidence on his part, even though they did not fully understand his mission. Have you ever been surprised by the trust shown in you by others to speak or act on their behalf?

2. Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. Perhaps your experience gives you examples of the value of having another with you when engaged in an important task.

3. The apparently strange instructions given by Jesus were intended to counteract practices by bogus preachers who used preaching as a mask for money-making. True disciples of Jesus focus on the mission and not on their own comforts. Is it your experience that vested interests can impede a task, whereas having the right motives makes your mission more effective?

4. The task of the disciples was to call people to repent, (metanoia = conversion, change the way we look at God and at other people). Who have been the disciples, the people in your life who have called you to be more trusting in God? To whom have you given this call?



Rosters for Ministers of the Word and of Holy Communion: the most recent rosters are published on the parish website, under the section "Parish Groups", then click on Ministers of the Word or of Holy Communion. Please contact the Parish Office if you require a hard-copy.

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. 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.

Eucharistic Adoration Weekly takes place on **Tuesdays** at 10.30 am and continues until 10.00 pm. We are grateful to some new volunteers who have committed to Adoration and we will be delighted to hear from volunteers who may be able to pledge some time each Tuesday.

Recently Deceased: Máire Doherty, Cormac McCarthy, private Funeral Monday 12th July. Eleanor Dunne – private Funeral, Wednesday 14th.

Anniversaries this weekend: Vigil: Barbara Lavery (8th A); Denis & Ita O'Riordan. **9.00 am:** Irene O'Donovan.

11:00 am: Mary McDermott (1st A); Fergus O'Neill.

Vox Hiberniae, a group comprising musicians from a number of parishes across the diocese, have put a new reflection together, from Avila, to celebrate the Year of St. Joseph musically, A Celtic Journey with St. Joseph – Harp, Voice and Strings. It can be accessed through the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4981nt52mY>

Lectio Divina: A small group of parishioners have been meeting over Zoom for Lectio Divina over the past month or so. It has been decided to take a break for July and August. We intend resuming in September and we extend a warm invitation to any parishioner who would be interested in joining us to do so then. Please contact the Parish Office initially.

Community Education Programme for Health and Wellbeing – the Healthy Ireland Fund, supported by the Department of Health and the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth – have arranged an on-line course for 5 weeks (**on Zoom**) commencing on Thursday, 15th July from 19.00 to 20.00. These events are free to attend. Please register, please email: niamhgilmore@grow.ie and the link will be emailed to you. For further details, please see the poster on the parish website or displayed in the church porch.

The Impact of Covid-19 on Funeral Rituals and Practices in Ireland: Public health measures to deal with the pandemic meant that bereaved families have had to adjust to dramatically different circumstances. An on-line research study is being conducted by the Centre of Mission and Ministries at the Pontifical University of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. The survey can be accessed at: www.maynoothcollege.ie/covid-19-and-funeral-rituals-and-practices-a-study

The celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptisms, First Holy Communions and Confirmations - are not permitted at present Public Health advice is that these ceremonies should continue to be postponed for the month of July at least. Parishes are obliged to comply with Covid-19 guidance from the Public Health Authorities and Archbishop Farrell continues to support the Government in their decision. The Archbishop understands that children and their families have been looking forward to celebrating these sacraments and this further postponement is very upsetting, but the priority is to protect the child, their family and the wider community from this new Delta variant which appears to be highly contagious.

The Archdiocese of Dublin and Archbishop Farrell greatly appreciates the very positive response demonstrated by this parish, and indeed other parishes, following the recent appeal for **Summer Dues**. A sincere Thank You to all those who have sent in Summer Dues envelopes to the parish. Envelopes for this purpose are in the church porch/Pastoral Centre. Your generosity in support of the active, sick and retired clergy of the Diocese is deeply appreciated at this challenging time for the Archdiocese.

St. Michael's Church Dun Laoghaire – Summer Organ Concerts on Sundays @ 8.00 pm A series of Organ concerts is taking place in St. Michael's Church, Dun Laoghaire throughout the Summer, continuing on Sunday, 11th July. Admission is €15 / €10. The poster giving details of the soloists and the programme is displayed in the church porch. For further details, email dunlaoghaireorganconcerts@gmail.com or www.dunlaoghaireorganconcerts.ie

A Prayer for Everyday: Every day I need you Lord, but this day especially, I need some extra strength, to face whatever is to be. This day more than any day, I need to feel you near, to fortify my courage, and to overcome my fear. By myself, I cannot meet the challenge of the hour, there are times when humans help, but we need a higher power to assist us bear what must be borne, and so dear Lord, I pray, hold on to my trembling hand, and be near me today. Amen.

Confessions are available: please contact Fr. Gerry to make an arrangement.

<i>Priests of the Parish</i>		<i>Confessions</i>
Fr. Gerry Kane 52 Booterstown Ave.	Parish Priest 086 8220956	By Arrangement with Fr. Gerry Kane
		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> 10 am		Parish Office: Tel & Fax 01 283 1593
<i>Rosary</i>		(Tue - Fri. 9-10 am & 10.30-1.30 pm)
Tue – 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