



# Parish Newsletter

27th August 2017 ✠ 21st Sunday ✠ Year A

## MASS TIMES FOR SEPTEMBER

There will be Service of the Word at 10:00am on Friday Mornings leading into Adoration with the exception of First Fridays.

There will be Mass on Friday 1st September at 10am.

Saturday 6:30pm Mass resumes on 2nd September.

There is NO 5:30pm Mass on the following Sundays:

- 10th September
- 17th September
- 24th September
- 1st October

Please note Mass in St. Colmcille's Church on Sunday Evening is at 6:30pm.



### 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# CHRIST

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." - Mt 16:15-16

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## MASS INTENTIONS

- 9:00am:** Altar List of the Dead
- 11:00am:** Bridget (Breda) Gallagher (A) & Joe Gallagher (Rem)
- 12:30pm:** Daniel Kelly (A)
- 5:30pm:** Cora Duffy (6th A) & Marie Healy (6th A)

## PRAY FOR

- Joseph Cooney (A)
- Patrick Walker (A)
- Christine Darcy (A)
- Phil Fitzpatrick (1st A)
- Bob Daly (RD)

## 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

- Mon:** For intentions of those who supported the family of the late Catherine Gibbons (RIP)
- Tues:** Thanksgiving Mass
- Wed:** Adrian Greene (A)
- Thurs:** Mary Cassidy (RD)
- Fri:** Theresa (Tess) Rabbitte (RD)
- Sat:** Jack & May Hughes (A)

# Please take this Newsletter home

## Catholic Young Adults Conference 2017:

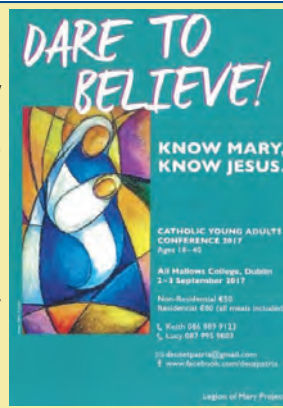
The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Young Adults Conference takes place in All Hallows College, Gracepark Road, Dublin 9 on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. The conference organised by *Legion of Mary Project* invites young adults together to learn, share and discuss our Catholic faith. The schedule includes a host of exceptional speakers and group activities.

Theme: **"Know Mary, Know Jesus ... Dare to Believe!"**

2 days non-residential €50 & Residential:€80. Meals included. For further information call Keith on 086-8899123 or Lucy on 087-9959803

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## NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

As we journey towards forming a new Parish Pastoral Council, we invite you to pray for its success with this Prayer of Discernment.

**All Loving and Gracious God,  
You know my inmost thoughts  
and You are familiar  
with all my ways.**

**You have blessed me  
with many gifts and talents.  
Give me a share of Your  
wisdom, show me Your truth,  
and reveal to me the secrets of  
my own heart.**

**May I have the courage to look  
honestly and deeply  
at the reality of my life,  
so that I can faithfully follow  
You.**

**Help me to see in myself  
what You see,  
and give me  
the courage to uncover  
both my strengths &  
weaknesses,  
to know and follow  
Your will for me  
each and every day of my life.  
Bless Your Church  
with generous hearts,  
eager to serve Your people  
and to spread Your Word.  
Amen.**



## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018 ICON

The Icon for the World Meeting of Families 2018 was blessed and anointed by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin in Knock last Monday at a Mass to launch a year of preparation for WMOF2018.

The Icon, depicting the Holy Family, the Wedding Feast at Cana and the Raising of Jairus' daughter, also features the Archangels Gabriel and Michael on the outside. The Icon will travel

around all the diocese in Ireland in the lead up to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin in August 2018.

Peter Siney



## Would you like to join a free course in Digital Skills?

A number of free courses in Digital Skills are being offered in our offices in Amiens Street, Dublin 1. The scheme is part of the government's 'Getting Citizens Online' programme. It is geared to people aged 45 and over, also those with a disability or currently unemployed.

To know more phone Third Age on 046-9557766, email [nationaloffice@thirdageireland.ie](mailto:nationaloffice@thirdageireland.ie) or log on to [www.thirdageireland.ie](http://www.thirdageireland.ie)



## PARKINSON'S ASSOCIATION

The next meeting in St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre is on **Tuesday 5th July from 11am - 1pm**  
Tea & coffee available from 10:30am  
All Welcome

The Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Church Gate Collection for August amounted to €883.40. Sincere thanks to all who support this collection.



## Always wanted to volunteer overseas?

Want to do a course on global social injustice? Learn more at the Viatores Christi (VC) - Information & Recruitment Session in:  
**DUBLIN on Saturday 26th August 2017 at 11.00** at VC HQ, 8 New Cabra Rd., Phibsboro, Dublin 7  
**BELFAST on Wednesday 6th September 2017 at 7.30pm** St John's Parochial House, Falls Road, Belfast BT12 6EN  
Tel.01 8689986 or [apply@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:apply@viatoreschristi.com)  
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ALL WELCOME!



## Living Links Dublin Suicide Bereavement Support Group

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Email: [livinglinks.irl@gmail.com](mailto:livinglinks.irl@gmail.com)

National Emergency Telephone No: 087 412 2052

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**"Supporting the Suicide Bereaved"**



The next Parent Meeting is **Thursday 7th September**

Next dates for Baptisms:  
**Sunday 17th Sept 1:45pm**

Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.

## Catholic Grandparents Association KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

The National Catholic Grandparents Association Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Knock leaving from *Star Pub*, Swords at 8:30am on **Sunday 10th September**. Chief Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin. Blessing of the Sick at 2.30pm and Pilgrimage Mass at 3.00pm followed by the Rosary. Further information and booking, please contact:

Mary 01 8403295 or Nora 01 8404247.



## Brackenstown Bible Study

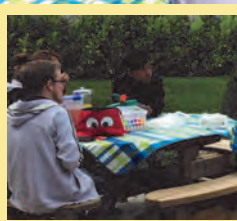
Brackenstown Bible Study classes resume on **Monday 04/09/17, 7:30pm to 9pm** in St Cronan's Pastoral Centre. We will be watching the DVD presentation on "Divided Kingdom Part 1". The reading plan is given in Session 13 of the Bible Timeline study book. All welcome.





# Faith 'n' Fun

Well done to all of the children who took part in this year's Faith 'n' Fun, organised by Legion of Mary. Great fun was had by all with games, Bible stories, crafts & lots more. Some of the crafts they made are displayed in the Sacred Space in the Church for you to take a look at!



## PATHWAYS - EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY An Adult Faith Development Programme

The programme begins this year in Clonliffe College on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September from 7.00p.m. – 9.30 p.m.). *Pathways* is a two-year one night a week course for adults of all ages wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. You can just come along and enjoy! The cost is €400 for the coming year which may be paid in instalments. Some sponsorship may be available for those of limited means.

For more information please visit your webpage: [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie) or contact: Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD, Director, Pathways Programme, Clonliffe College, Clonliffe Road, Dublin, DO3 P2E7. Phone: 01 8379253 Ext 294 Email: [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie)



**Faith4Life** is a new course designed to help you to discover more energising and empowering ways to live out your faith in the reality of today's world: through relationships, family, home, parish, work and the events of daily life. It aims to help you to be more active, open, faithful, confident, trusting and willing to work for change.

*Faith for Life* takes place over four weekends in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Rd, Dublin 3.

Called to Become ( 21st/22<sup>nd</sup> October)  
Church in and for the World (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> December)  
Centered on the Word of God (20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> January)  
Living Faithfully (3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> March)

The course will benefit everyone who wants to make a deeper connection between faith and life. Further details and application forms are available by emailing Rosemary Lavelle [rlavelle@abhouse.org](mailto:rlavelle@abhouse.org) or [evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie) or by telephone 8373732 ext 247/239.

## KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September. More details from members of Legion of Mary after week-end Masses.

## THE ROSARY - MAKE A NEW BEGINNING!

Many people have forgotten how to say the Rosary and would like a little help. It is simple... arrange to have the Rosary Statue in your home for a week and you will get that help. Prayer is of vital importance in our lives. At **Fatima** Our Lady asked us to pray the Rosary. Why not make a new start? Just leave your name & contact details with a member of Legion of Mary (in main porch) after Sunday morning Masses and arrangements will be made to suit you.

## EASY EVANGELISATION!

Could you give 20-30 minutes per month, to help spread the Good News? Help needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish...eg **Ormond, Knocksedan, Ashton, Castleview etc.** Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone no. with Louise in parish office.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



**Mon: 10.30 am – 11.30 am**  
**Wed: 6.00 pm – 11.00 pm**  
**Fri: 10.30 am – 5.45pm**  
**Sat: 10.30am – 11.30am**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on the last Sunday of every month from 4pm—5pm. Can you stay one hour with me? We encourage new people to come and join us.

## FATIMA

Fatima statues and shrines are amongst the items available for sale at table in main porch each weekend. Why not take a look?



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

## FAMILY OFFERING

We thank all those parishioners who support the running of the parish through the Parish Family Offering fund.

**July Standing Order €4,124**  
**Outdoor Collection €752.03**  
**Annals/Half Yearly €0.00**



## BINGO

Every Sunday in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm  
Doors open at 7:30pm - Everyone welcome!

## Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for this Sunday and next Sunday:

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time: First Reading** Isaiah (Is) 56:1, 6-7; **2nd Reading** Letter to Romans (Rm) 11:13-15, 29-32; **Gospel** Matthew (Mt) 15:21-28

**21st Sunday Ordinary Time: First Reading** Isaiah (Is) 22:19-23; **2nd Reading** Letter to Romans (Rm) 11:33-36; **Gospel** Matthew (Mt) 16:13-20



## PARISH INFORMATION

### Mass Times:

Sunday: 6:30pm (Sat. Vigil); 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm

### Weekday Mass:

Monday to Saturday 10:00am

### Holyday Mass:

Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am

### Confession:

Saturday 10:30am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm

Fr. Paul Thornton, Adm,  
Peter Siney, Pastoral Worker  
Louise Donnelly, Secretary

After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday  
01 8401661 – 087 7404729 – pauljthornton@gmail.com  
089 4614226 – peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie  
01 8401188 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com  
Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm

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## CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

**26/27 August**  
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**2/3 Sept**  
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