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Enfield Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 23/24th April, 2016

Sat. 7pm. Martin Hughes. Mary and Tom Ganley. Nancy and Jim Reilly, Rathrone. Séamus McKay (birthday remembrance). Michael Flanagan

Sun. 9am. Dan, Margaret and Tommy Mahon and Derry King. James, Ann and Elizabeth Foran. **11am.** Michael Connolly.

Tuesday-Friday: Mass at 9.30am. **Saturday:** Mass at 10am.

Next weekend: Sat. 7pm. Cyril Callan and his parents Charlie and Katie, his brothers Jack and Neil and his sister Hyacinth.

Sun. 9am. Jim Murphy, Newcastle 1st anniv. **11am.** Declan McCarthy.

Plate Collection: € 1,550 (Vocations). **Building Fund:** €130. *Many thanks.*

Baptisms after 11am Mass on 1st and 4th Sundays and 3rd Saturday at 2pm.

Next Baptism Meeting Tuesday 3rd May at 8.30pm in Enfield Meeting Room
Welcome Eleanor Louise Cosgrave & Anna Claire Behan baptised this weekend

Easter Holy Water available in container at the Altar.

Irish Catholic Newspaper on sale at the back of church.

Eucharistic Adoration: *Tuesday:* 10am-9pm. *Thursday:* 10am-1pm and 7-10pm.

Adult Choir: Practice on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Enfield meeting room.

Folk Choir: Practice on Thursdays at 7.30pm in Enfield meeting room.

Please pray for Annie Dalton, Kilcock, mother of Ann McDonagh, New Road, Jody Connolly, Rathflesk, Rathmolyon and William O'Brien, Johnstown Bridge, formerly of Coragh, Rathmolyon. R.I.P.

Kiltegan Missionaries: Members of the Kiltegan Missionaries will speak at Masses this weekend promoting their work and *'Africa Magazine'*

Trócaire: To date we have received €4,355. *Many thanks.*

Parish Golf Classic Rathcore Golf Club on 16th and 17th June.

Rathmolyon Union of Parishes: Table Quiz Friday 29th April in Summerhill Community Centre at 8.30pm. Proceeds in aid of parish funds. Table of 4 €40.

One Day Retreat To Lough Derg: Saturday 7th May. Leaving Killyon 6pm. Brannockstown 6.15pm and Trim 6.30pm. Bus €20, Island €40. Contact Maureen Dixon Pioneers 046 9551121

Wreath Laying Ceremony in Cloncurry Graveyard on Sunday 24th at 3pm in honour of Kildare poet and nationalist Teresa Brayton. All are welcome. Further details from the Heritage Group event organisers 0877603346

Irish Blood Transfusion Service: Kilcock GAA Sports Centre on Thursday 5th May from 4.30pm-8.00pm.

Cemetery Sunday: Kill: Sunday 29th May. Mass at 7.30pm.

Jordanstown: Sunday 12th June. Mass at 7.30pm.

Na Fianna GFC: Lotto Nos. 15, 19, 21 & 28 Next draw Tuesday 19th April in Boggans Bar. Jackpot €10,000. **Na Fianna Óg ABC Nursery** every Saturday at 10.30am in Enfield. **Fixtures: Men's Football:** AFL Div1, Rd. 5: Na Fianna -v- Skryne on Wednesday 27th April at 7.15pm in Enfield.

Enfield Celtic Football Club: Night at Dogs in Mullingar on Saturday 30th April. Tickets €10 each, Children U13 Free. We look forward to your support.

Parish Celebration of 1916: In 1916 there were 28 Baptisms, 12 Marriages and 15 burials in our parish. Priests at that time were Thomas Gilsenan and Patrick Kiernan. We are planning to have a parish recollection of 1916 later this year. Meeting to plan for same on Thursday 28th April in Enfield Meeting Room at 8.30pm. All welcome.

1916 Commemorative Garden: *Many thanks* to Enfield Tidy Towns, Community Employment Workers and all associated with the official opening last Sunday. On the parish web site www.enfieldparish.ie *click* latest news and then 1916 Commemorative Garden to view a video of the proceedings, kindly provided by Gene Foran.

Baconstown Community Playgroup: Limited number of free places available for September in Baconstown Community Playgroup, Baconstown Old School. Contact the playgroup at 046 9542685 or Teresa 086 1575700 for application forms

Baconstown First Responders are running a "free" C.P.R./ A.E.D. training in the Parish Centre Enfield (beside SuperValu) on the last Friday of each month from 8pm to 9.30pm. Groups or clubs welcome. Contact John Lynam 086 3889280.

Today's Gospel: A New Commandment

In today's Gospel Jesus gives the disciples a new commandment – to love one another. When we truly love one another, we are experiencing something of the divine as love comes from God, love is God and God is love. Surely Jesus's command to love one another was nothing new for the disciples and those of their time; the commandment is well known in the Old Testament. But the love Jesus asks of the disciples here (and of us) is to love as he has loved, and that is a controversial love for some. It is controversial because Jesus's love is without restrictions and without exclusion. It is a love of those we may not like, a love of those it is hard to love. This love was too radical for some of the religious leaders of Jesus's time and ultimately led to his death. This radically inclusive love is sometimes too much for Christians today also, to love the sinner, to love those on the extreme margins of our society, to love those who have hurt us, to welcome back those who have done wrong, to include all at the table. Let us hear those words of the Gospel more clearly today: 'love one another, just as I have loved you, you must also love one another.' We can dream and work towards a world where this is a reality.

Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcome, loved and forgiven. Pope Francis

Next weekend:

Eucharistic Ministers: Vigil: M. Farley, E. McNally.

9am. I. Scully. 11am. B. Walsh, N. Curran.

Readers: Vigil: T. Curran, H. O'Donoghue.

9am. J. Cooper. 11am. J. Keenan, T. Coyle.

Servers: Vigil: Group 8: K. Gill, J. McNeill, M. Mooney.

9 am. Group 1: J. Hanley, C. Flynn, S. Doherty.

11am. Group 2: R. Forde, E. Farrell, K. Kelly.

