

Enfield Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 22/23rd July, 2017

Sat. 7pm. Jim McDonald, Fr. Denis Sheil. Mass also for Nuala McGinn, Marie Murtagh, Marie Little and Patrick (Dinky) Sullivan at the request of Enfield Active Retirement Club. **Sun. 9am.** Seán Mullally (90th birthday remembrance).

11am. Michael Hosey, Michael Keogh.

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

Next weekend: Sat 7pm. James O'Reilly and relatives. Anthony Sheridan and relatives. **Sun. 9am.** Brendan Payne. **11am.** Patrick and Leo Forde.

Plate Collection €740. Building Fund €165. Many thanks.

Baptisms: 1st and 4th Sunday and 2nd Saturday of the month.

We welcome Daniel Jacob Coyle, Ethan Oliver Galvin and Eli Nathan Coakley baptised this weekend.

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

Irish Catholic Newspaper on sale at back of church. Price €1.80

Please pray for Margaret McPartlin, Johnstown Way, Enfield. R.I.P.



Famine in East Africa: A National Church collection will be held at all Masses this weekend to fund life saving aid for people currently affected by the devastating hunger crisis in East Africa. The money

raised will go directly to Trócaire's emergency response, which is helping to deliver food, water, healthcare and other life saving aid to people affected. Severe drought, driven by climate change, is currently affecting Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia, and this has resulted in failed harvests and the widespread death of livestock. Approximately 25 million people have been left facing severe food shortages. Conflict has exacerbated the effects in South Sudan and Somalia, with areas in both countries now on the verge of famine. Announcing the collection, Bishop Michael said the situation is critical and urged support for the collection from parishioners.



Visit of Relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta: A Relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta will visit Mullingar Cathedral on 26th July as part of a tour of veneration across Ireland. The relic – a muslin cloth marked with the blood of the Saint and encased in a cross.

Wednesday 26th July: Visit will begin with Mass at 7.30pm and veneration of the relic after Mass until 9.45pm, concluding with Night Prayer.

Thursday 27th July: Veneration of the relic will resume after 7.45am Mass and again after 10am Mass. The relic will depart at 2pm.

Enfield Macra are hosting a cup of tea after Mass on this Saturday evening. All welcome.

Free English Classes and English as a Foreign Language: Do you want to learn English or improve your spoken or written English. Free English Classes are available. Contact the B.R.E.D.A. Centre, Johnstown Bridge for details. Tel: 046-941099.

Na Fianna CLG: Lotto Nos: 15, 23, 24, 32. Next Draw Tues. 25th in Boggan's Bar.

Fixtures: Sun 23rd: JBFC Rd 4: Trim v Na Fianna at 4.30pm in Summerhill.

SFC Rd 2: Dunshaughlin v Na Fianna at 6pm in Summerhill.

Fri 28th JHC Rd 4: Na Fianna v Clann na nGael at 7.30pm in Rathmolyon.

Enfield Celtic F.C. "Legends": Enfield Celtic F.C. are holding an Official Opening Day on Saturday 26th August to mark the completion of their new pitches and clubhouse. They are looking for ex Enfield Payers to participate in a match on the day. Also any original members of the club are invited. A function will be held in the Bridge House on the night. Contact Chris at 0851651685

Anyone with community items for the newsletter please forward them to: michaeljawhittaker@gmail.com before Thursday evening

Prayer for the Community: Make strong, O Lord, the hands held out to receive your holy gifts. Grant that the ears which have heard the sound of your songs may be closed to the voice of clamour and dispute; that the eyes which have seen your great love may also behold your blessed hope; that the tongues which have spoken the "Holy, Holy, Holy" may always speak the truth; that the feet which have walked in your house may always walk in the light; that the bodies which have tasted your living body may be restored in newness of life. Amen

Tidy Towns: Well Done to all involved in the Environment Group on how well the village and surrounding areas look. Credit to all.

Mercy warms the heart and makes it sensitive to the needs of brothers and sisters with sharing and participation - Pope Francis

Today's Gospel - Small beginnings: Everything starts small. The mustard seed was a tiny seed that grew into a flowering bush; it was not mustard as we know it, but only a bush to give beauty And shelter. It can remind us of the beauty of creation, and of the caring shelter we can give to others. It is also a reminder that each of us began as a seed in the mother's body, and grew with the plan of God. The love of God grows like that – it begins small with birth and with bap-tism, and then grows wide so that we share our love of God. It is the same with marriage – love begins and then grows so that children and grandchildren and others may shelter in love. Love grows when love is given, in our immediate circle, and in our care for the wider world. Good friendship and love spreads out to many. We want the kingdom of God on earth and God is saying that it grows slowly. It grows as we try to grow love, peace, justice and compassion. The shelter of the mustard bush is the mercy of God, encouraging our parish to be 'an oasis of mercy' (Pope Francis). It is not easy, as love and care for the really needy of-ten meets with opposition. The kingdom of God grows with the help of God, and without this help, our efforts are in vain.

Next weekend: Eucharistic Ministers

Vigil: P. Clancy, L. Devine, M. Alford.

9am. R. McLoughlin, J. Murray.

11am. E. Mulvihill, M. McLoughlin, J. O'Sullivan

Readers: Vigil: M. Crehan, E. McGuinness.

9am. M. Foley, M. Dorgan. 11am. M. Duggan, N. McCullagh.

Servers: Vigil: Group 1: M. McNally, T. McNeill.

9am. Group 2: K. Shortt Farrell, E. Henrick.

11am. Group 3: E. Curran, L. Byrne, J. Haran.



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