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## Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

**Masses this weekend: 23/24th April, 2016** No. 1190.

**Sat. 8pm.** Jack Clarke, Isaacstown, 1st anniv. May, Ned, Noel and Eddie Christie. Jack and Nancy Farrell. **Sun. 10am.** Christy Nolan and Jack and Mary Nolan.

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday:** Mass at 9.30am

**Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Sun. 10am.**

**Plate Collection:** €785 (Vocations). Many thanks.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** *Tuesdays* 10am-10pm. *Wed.* 10-11am and 6-10pm.

**Baptisms** after 10am Mass on 1st Sunday and at 2pm on 3rd Saturday.

**Next Baptism Meeting** Tuesday 3rd May at 8.30pm in Enfield Meeting Room

**Easter Holy Water** available in container at the Altar.

**Trócaire:** To date we have received €1,300. *Many thanks.*

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

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

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

**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 this Thursday 28th April in Enfield Meeting Room at 8.30pm. All welcome.

**Parish Golf Classic** will be held in Rathcore Golf Club on 16th and 17th June.

**Rathmolyon Union of Parishes: Table Quiz** on 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.

**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 8 to 9.30pm. Groups or clubs welcome. Contact John Lynam 086 3889280.

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

**Rathmolyon Hurling Club:** Lotto nos. 3,12,20,23. No winner. Next draw 25 April. Jackpot €10,000. **Na Fianna Óg Nursery:** Saturdays at 10.30 in Enfield. **Club Day:** Sunday 8th May in Rathmolyon pitch. Many activities.

**Rathmolyon Church Working Group** are currently reviewing lists of Readers, Collectors and Ministers of the Eucharist. The group would welcome some new volunteers. If you are interested in helping and are in a position to volunteer, please give your name to Fr. Timothy, Imelda Brady or Seán Downey. It is proposed to have a meeting of all current and new volunteers in early May.

**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.

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

**St. Michael's National School, Kill:** Applications are being taken for enrolment for September 2016.

### 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:**

**Readers Sat. 8pm.** C. Sheridan. **10am.** B. Fahy.

**Eucharist Ministers: 8pm.** L. Grehan, B. Mulvihill.

**Sun. 10am.** S. Brady, G. Halton. **Altar Society:** S. Brady

**Cleaners:** G. Doherty, R. Melia, M. Forde, T. Ryan.

**Collectors: 8pm.** R. O'Brien, P. Ennis, C. O'Brien.

**10am.** G. Cunningham, D. Larkin, P. Farrell.

