

## Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

**Masses this weekend: 15th/16th April, 2017** No. 1240.

**Easter Vigil Sat. 8pm.** Anne Fox.

**Easter Sunday 10am.** Keith Schofield. Maree Grimes,

**No Mass or Adoration this week.**

**Next weekend: Sat. 8pm.** Jodie Connolly, 1st anniv.

Christy Nolan, Mary and Jack Nolan. Jack and Nancy Farrell.

**Sun. 10am.** Dinkie O'Sullivan, m.m.

**Plate Collection: €447. Building Fund: €350. Many thanks.**

**Easter Offerings Collection** for the support of the Priests due this weekend. Give subscription to collector at church door or place envelope in box provided.

**Novena to Divine Mercy** concludes next Sunday 23rd April with Mass and Chaplet at 3pm in Rathmolyon Church.

**Please pray** for Paddy Fagan, Moynalvey and formerly of Rathmolyon. R.I.P.

**Trocaire Boxes: Thanks** to all who have returned Trocaire Boxes. Remaining boxes can be returned to Mass next weekend.

**Trócaire:** Last year alone, thanks to support from the Irish public and others, we were able to support 2.4 million people. Trócaire supported people to improve their lives through various interventions including -45,000 families across the world got access and control of their local resources, including land and water, whereas before they had been exploited and excluded. Protection to over 700 human rights defenders who were abused and attacked. Support to over 6,000 women who survived violence and abuse, including access to healthcare, counselling and legal aid

**Thanks** to all who helped with the Easter Ceremonies in our church. A special word of thanks to Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society, Organist, Choir, Collectors and Sacristans.

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

**Additional Cleaners:** At present we have 36 people involved in the cleaning group. We thank them for the service they give weekly in cleaning the church along with all others who serve in other Ministries. We require an additional 5 people to cover the months of June, July or September. If interested in helping during any of these months contact Margaret Bagnall 086 0866285 or Fr. Timothy after Mass.

**Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration:** National Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 30th April. Bus leaving Station Yard Enfield at 8.00am. Cost €20 return. Everyone welcome. To book contact Anne at 085 7499999.

**Kill National School Parents Association** are holding a Clothing Collection on Friday 28th April to raise funds towards Sports Equipment in the school. All support welcome.



**Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto Nos.**

Well done to the U14 Juvenile team who qualified to represent Rathmolyon in Feile on 16th to 18th of June in Kilkenny. Well done to the team and their mentors.

**The High Hopes Choir** are performing in Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on Thursday 27th April at 8pm. Adm. Free but donations greatly appreciated. Call Cathy 087 6217796.

**Enfield Celtic FC: Night at the Dogs** in Shelbourne Park on Sat 22nd April. Tickets €10 from Anne 086-2351663.

**M.S. Therapy Centre Trim Fundraiser:** Colum and Ben Sands in Concert. Trim Castle Hotel, Bective Suite. Friday 21st April at 8pm. Admission €15.

**Dates for Cemetery Sunday: Kill:** Sunday 28th May. Mass at 7.30pm.

**Jordanstown:** Sunday 11th June. Mass at 7.30pm.

**Pat Holton Art Exhibition:** Continues daily No. 1 Enfield Court (beside Bridge House) until next Sunday 23rd April from 12.00 -7.00pm.

**Eastertime Prayer:** Risen Lord, we greet you with joy this Easter Season, and we thank you for the gift of new life. Bless our food, our family and our friends, and help us to celebrate the springtime in our hearts as we rejoice in the good news of your Resurrection. Alleluia! Amen.

**Today's Gospel: Today's Gospel:** Easter Sunday In today's Gospel Mary Magdalen is highlighted as the woman who is the first witness of the resurrection. Mary and the two disciples must have been very confused and upset as they tried to understand what had happened to Jesus' body. Reading this story can bring many emotions for us: fear and confusion at death, or even a feeling of euphoria and joy at the realisation that death is not the end. If we have lost a loved one, we might feel comforted in the knowledge that we will be reunited with them once more. Jesus comes into situations of despair, disappointment and doubt and, as with Mary after this incident, comes in the form of a stranger, gently calling her name. The Risen Lord seems to meet us in familiar territory, where we least expect it. We might ask the Lord today for the strength and courage to allow him to break into our lives once more, to help us to be free of whatever it is that causes 'death' in our lives, to help us to let go, to be open to recognising him in our most painful moments and in the most familiar places. 'God of openness, of life and of resurrection, come into this Easter season and bless me. Look around at the tight, dead spaces of my heart. Bring your gentle but firm love ... Open me. Open me. Open me. For it is only then I will grow and change, for it is only then that I will be transformed. For it is only then that I will know how it is. To be in the moment of rising from the dead.' (Joyce Rupp)

**Next weekend:**

**Readers: Sat. 8pm.** U. Griffin. **Sun. 10am.** F. Long.

**Eucharistic Ministers: 8pm.** L. Grehan, M. Mulvihill.

**Sun. 10am.** M. Cummins, P. Brady.

**Altar Society:** S. Brady.

**Cleaners:** G. Doherty, R. Melia, M. Forde, L. Dwyer.

**Collectors: Sat. 8pm.** C. O'Brien, P. Ennis, A. Forde.

**Sun. 10am.** G. Cunningham, D. Larkin, J. Crowley.

