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Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 5/6th August, 2017 No. 1255.

Sat. 8pm. Denis and Maureen Farrell, Coolderry, also remembering their son-in-law William Martin.

Sun. 10am. Intentions of Parishioners.

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

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Dympna Melia, 1st anniv. Billy Melia and deceased family members.

Sun 10am. Ned and Vera McManus.

Plate Collection: €407. Building Fund: €55. *Many thanks.*
Building fund envelope due this weekend.

Please pray for John Hanrahan, Trim and formerly Summerstown, Laracor and Gemma Kelly, Goatstown, Dublin, sister of Philomena Boylan Stewart, Cullentra. R.I.P.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: Next Sunday 13th August. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Michael Smith. Bus leaving Rathmolyon Church at 8.45am returning at 9pm. Fare €20 adults, €5 children, includes tea on arrival in Knock. For booking phone 046 95 55215 or 086 8616780.

Lough Derg: You may begin the Three Day Pilgrimage on any day up to and including Sunday 13th August. Advance booking is not necessary. Further information regarding public transport from Maureen on 071 9851518. www.loughderg.org

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday: 10am-10pm. **Wednesday:** 10-11am & 6-10pm.

Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes: The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Sept. 12-17 and will be led by Bishop Smith. The fare is € 729 for full board and inclusive of insurance and travel taxes. Contact Pilgrimages Abroad tel. 01-6359300.

The Universal Prayer: Lord, I believe in you: increase my faith. I trust in you: strengthen my trust. I love you: let me love you more and more. I am sorry for my sins: deepen my sorrow. I worship you as my first beginning, I long for you as my last end, I praise you as my constant helper, And call on you as my loving protector. Guide me by your wisdom, Correct me with your justice, Comfort me with your mercy, Protect me with your power. I offer you, Lord, my thoughts: to be fixed on you; My words: to have you for their theme; My actions: to reflect my love for you; My sufferings: to be endured for your greater glory. I want to do what you ask of me: In the way you ask, For as long as you ask, Because you ask it. Lord, enlighten my understanding, Strengthen my will, Purify my heart, and make me holy.

Mary's Meals: Dublin to Knock Walk 7th-15th August. Walkers will be in Enfield on Tuesday 8th at 10.30am. If you can raise as little as €16 then please join us. €16 feeds one child in school for one year. Walk and raise hope for those who have none.

Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto Nos. 8,22,25,26. Next draw 7th August.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary 17th - 20th August for young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people, with over 1400 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation-only. Free buses from all around Ireland. For info and to book online, see www.youth2000.ie or Tel: 016753690

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

Na Fianna Athletic Club: *A.G.M.* on this Thursday 10th August at 8pm in Enfield Parish Meeting Room.

Pope Francis Speaks “Laudato Si’, Mi’ Signore” - “Praise be to you, my Lord”.

In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. “Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs”. This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will. The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life. This is why the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned & maltreated of our poor; she “groans in travail” (Rom 8:22). We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf. Gen 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters. (1-2).

Today's Gospel The Transfiguration

The challenge of our times is to keep hope alive: hope in ourselves, hope in one another and hope in God. On many fronts, we live in an atmosphere of decay, destruction and despair. A cancer of our time is to be constantly seeking out and highlighting conflict rather than consensus, failure rather than fidelity, gratification rather than generosity, thuggery rather than thankfulness. This destructive perspective undermines respect, responsibility and relationships as it corrodes initiative, service and leadership. In such a demanding climate, a people's communal vision of the good life must be nurtured and enriched as must each individual's hope. We need to glimpse the reality of God among us. We need to know the greatness of God's love for us each day

Celebrating 50 Years of our Church

Next weekend:

Readers: Sat. 8pm. C. Sheridan. **Sun. 10am.** E. Crowley.

Eucharistic Ministers: 8pm. N. Regan, J. Mulligan.

Sun. 10am. S. Brady, G. Halton.

Altar Society: B. Rochford, T. Smith.

Cleaners: B. Downey, L. McEnroe, M. Mulvihill

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

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

