

Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 18/19th February, 2017 No. 1232.

Sat. 8pm. Thomas and Mary Smith and relatives.

Sun. 10am. Intentions of all parishioners and friends.

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

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Michael Cole. **Sun. 10am.** Jimmy Brogan.

Plate Collection: €500. **Building Fund:** €145. *Many thanks.* For those who contribute half yearly, a contribution may be due.

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

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

Please pray for Ian de Brunn interred in Kill Cemetery last Sunday, Fr. Dan Moore, Ballinabrackey, Gerard Callan, Newry, brother of Ciss Gillespie, Main Street, Enfield and Colin Tuite, Summerhill. R.I.P.

Enfield Revue Variety Show: Tuesday 21st to Saturday 25th February at 8pm in Hamlet Court Hotel. Admission €12, children €10. Doors open at 7.30pm

Divine Mercy Conference: R.D.S. Dublin on Saturday 25th February. Bus leaving Enfield Station Yard at 8.30am. €20 return. Phone 085 7499999.

Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto nos. 14,17,19,23 Next draw Mon. 20th Feb. **The Club** are showing DVD of "Little Red Riding Hood" panto in Harnan's at 7pm on this Sunday. **Na Fianna GFC: Afternoon Tea Dance** with Christy McNally on Sunday 26th February from 3pm in the Bridge House.

Rathmolyon Church of Ireland: Table Quiz on Friday 3rd March at 8.30pm in the Village Inn, Rathmolyon. Table of 4 €40. Raffle on the night.

Enfield CCE: Ceili in Hamlet Court Hotel. Sunday 19th February 3.30-6.30pm. Music by the Glenside Ceili Band. Adm. €10

Flexibus Localink are running a new bus service travelling from Ballivor, travelling through Kildalkey, Rathmolyon and Summerhill to Kilcock and return. This service runs Monday to Friday. A full timetable including fares can be found on www.meathtransport.com. For more information contact 046 9074830.

Enfield Macra: Jiving Lessons in Rathmolyon hall at 8pm on Wednesdays 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March. €10 per night or €35 if you pay up front. Open to all ages.

Lenten Retreat for Young Adults: Sat. 11th March 9.30am-5pm. Dalgan Park Adoration, Prayers, Confession and Mass. Tel. Fr. Joe 086 6036506

Are you in your 40s? The Dublin 40something organize spiritual and social events in and around Dublin who have a Catholic ethos. They meet regularly for concerts, cinema, weekend away etc. The next monthly gathering is at the Trinity City Hotel, Pearse St. on Friday 3rd March at 8.30pm. Tel. 087 7608268 for details.

Parish Mission brochures & Petition Cards available at the back of the church

Parish Faith Mission in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues on **Monday 20th, 27th February and Monday 6th March, 8-9pm in Rathmolyon Church.** **Parish Faith Mission - An Invitation. An Opportunity**



Pope Francis speaks regularly about caring for our whole selves. He uses the "triple image" of Head, Heart and Hands. **Head** is about our belief in a loving God and that He is with us. **Heart** which is about love, love of God and of others. Finally **The Hands** which are about action, how we show our love in caring for each other and especially those in need. The Parish Faith mission is an opportunity to nourish these three 'H's' Head, Heart and Hands—All three if we are to become more rounded Christians.

We invite all our parishioners and friends to take the opportunity for one hour from 8-9pm on the remaining three Monday nights of the Parish Faith Mission.

Fr. Peter McVerry will address our Faith Mission on this Monday 20th February with a talk on 'Faith—lived out in helping and supporting others. **Special prayers** will be offered for all who work in supporting and caring for people in their times of need.

Petition Cards can be returned to the boxes in Jordanstown or Rathmolyon any time. **At Candle Shrines** in both churches people can light a candle for their intentions.

Thanks to everybody for their great response last week and making it such an uplifting, joyous, hope filled and prayerful occasion.

Mission Prayer: Mother of Perpetual Help, with the greatest confidence we come before your holy picture to be inspired by the example of your life. We think of you at that moment when, full of faith and trust, you accepted God's call to be the mother of his Son. Help us, your children, to accept with joy our own calling in life. When you learned that your cousin Elizabeth was in need you immediately went to serve her and offer your help. Help us, like you, to be concerned for others. We think of you, Mother, at the foot of the cross. Your heart must have bled to see your Son in agony. But your joy was great when he rose from the dead, victorious over the powers of evil. Mother of Sorrows, help us to realise that we must expect trials and disappointments. Help us not to lose heart. May we share with you & your Son the joy of having courageously faced up to the challenges of life. Amen

Today's Gospel: The teachings in this passage are radical and go against what we hear around us in our world like calls for retribution and revenge. However Jesus has high expectations of his followers, to go against the grain. Jesus is not encouraging passiveness. He is inviting people to a 'third way': to make a non-violent stand when faced with persecution. By 'offering the other cheek' we allow for the potential of conversion of the other to a realisation of what they have done. The easy option is to retaliate, to not see our brother or sister standing before us. We can offer them an opportunity to see our own sacred humanity. 'Loving our enemies' is a call to constantly move towards restoring relationships, offering mercy and peace. 'An eye for an eye will leave the whole world blind'. Gandhi

Next weekend: Readers: Sat. 8pm. U. Griffin. **Sun. 10am.** E. Crowley.

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

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

Altar Society: T. Smith, B. Rochford.

Cleaners: A. Heffernan, T. Tuite, B. Cummins, O. Doherty.

Collectors: Sat. 8pm. N. Collins, D. Griffin, D. Doherty.

Sun. 10am. S. Quinn, D. Fahy, A. Finnegan.

