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## Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

**Masses this weekend: 30/31st January, 2016** No. 1178

**Sat. 8pm.** Joseph Christie **Sun. 10am.** Paddy Murray.

**Monday: Feast of St. Brigid - Mass at 8pm. (Blessing of St. Brigid crosses)**

**Tuesday: Feast of Candlemas - Blessing of Candles** at 9.30am Mass.

**Wednesday: Feast of St. Blaise - Blessing of Throats** at 9.30am Mass and at  
and also at 8pm Mass .

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

**Next weekend: 8pm.** Lists of Dead.

**Sun. 10am**

**Basket Collection:** €450. *Many thanks.*

**Building Fund** Many thanks to all who contributed in the past year. For those who contribute quarterly or half yearly, a contribution may now be due.

**February Offerings** for the support of the Priests due next weekend. Please give subscription to collector at church door or place envelope in box provided.

**Friday: First Friday.** The sick and housebound will be attended on **Thursday.**

**Baptisms** after 10am Mass on 1st Sunday and at 2pm on the 3rd Saturday.  
Next Baptism Meeting for parents on Tuesday 2nd February at 8.30pm in Enfield Meeting Room.

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

**A meeting** will be held in the Oratory in Rathmolyon Church on **Thursday 4th February at 7.30pm** to explore ways of supporting and enhancing the weekend Masses. All interested are invited to attend.

**Confirmation:** Programme starts this Tues. 2nd Feb. at 8pm in Enfield school.

**At Masses this weekend** in a special way we ask God's continued blessing on all children baptised in our Parish in the past year.

**Dates for Cemetery Sunday: Kill:** Sunday 29th May. Mass at 7.30pm  
**Jordanstown:** Sunday 12th June. Mass at 7.30pm.

**Prayer Service for grandparents** of 5th and 6th classes on Friday 5th at 11.45am in the school.

**Prayer to St. Blaise for Wednesday next:** By the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from all illness of the throat and from every other disease. Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

**Rathmolyon Hurling Club:** Lotto nos..2,11,23,26 No winner. Next draw 1st February. Jackpot €10,000. Two chances to win for €2. Thanks for your support

**Irish Blood Transfusion Service** offer the opportunity to give blood in Kilcock GAA Sports Centre on Wednesday 3rd February from 4.30pm-8pm.

**Fr. Seán's** headstone is now in place in Kill cemetery. We continue to remember Fr. Seán in our prayers and give thanks for his priestly ministry amongst us.

**The Second Reading-Love:** Love is what we bring with us at the end of life. 'We will be judged in the evening of life by love' (St John of the Cross). Love for those near and far, for love in the gospel is more than love for just the family, the friend, the attractive one, the neighbour, but, for all. There are different calls to Christian love – near and dear daily love, friendship, marriage, relationships. Love too in the wider world like in our job where we live in a loving way, in justice with all, not using others for personal gain, and in the wider world where a universal love makes me want to make a difference. Love involves us with everyone. It obviously doesn't mean we relate to everyone – nor that we even like everyone. Love is when others' lives become at least as important as our own; and in the deepest loves like marriage, family, and often friendship, others' lives become even more important. The second reading today is hard to beat! We see it in action when we look at the life of Jesus. ***Jesus whose heart is wide enough to love us all, make our hearts like yours.***

### Catholic Schools Week:

The theme for this year is Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy. We know that Jesus is the face of God's mercy. It is He who allows us to see how merciful the Father is. When we see how Jesus is with people whom others condemn and reject, we begin to glimpse the mercy of God. When we see the way that Jesus heals, the way he forgives, the way he loves, we see the mercy of God. We are called to be like Jesus so we, too, must try to be the face of God's mercy to those whom we meet. During this week, we will explore with the children how they can be the face of God's mercy in our classrooms, the playground, our school, our families and our community. Each day has a specific theme that, we hope, will help the children to come to understand how they can proclaim God's mercy every day. The themes are as follows:

**Monday:** I am the face of God's mercy when I am kind and compassionate.

**Tuesday:** I am the face of God's mercy when I forgive and reconcile.

**Wednesday:** Grandparents are the face of God's mercy.

**Thursday:** I am the face of God's mercy when I am fair and just.

**Friday:** I am the face of God's mercy when I live like Jesus.

### Next weekend:

**Readers Sat. 8pm.** C. Flynn. **10am.** C. Sheridan.

**Eucharist Ministers: 8pm.** L. Cosgrave, G. Harnan.

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

**Altar Society:** T. Smith, B. Rochford.

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

**Collectors: 8pm.** B. Grimes, M. Jordan, N. Collins.

**10am.** F. Smith, J. Crowley.