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Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 7th/8th January, 2017 No. 1226. Baptism of Our Lord

Sat. 8pm. Mary O'Brien, m.m. Frances Grace, 6th Anniversary. James and Helen Fox. Maureen Doran, her husband Jack, daughter Teresa, son Seán, daughter-in-law Alice and deceased relatives.

Sun. 10am. Intentions of parishioners.

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

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Intentions of Parishioners. **Sun. 10am.**

Plate Collection: €403. 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.

Please pray for Paul Larkin, Dunderry, brother of Val Larkin, Castletown and Maeve Regan, Kill, Rathmolyon and Ben Murray, Rochfortbridge, R.I.P.

The Baptism of Our Lord is celebrated this weekend. In a special way we ask God's continued blessing on all children baptized in our parish in the past year. Their names are in the Crib.

Prayer for the newly baptized and their families: Lord, as we gather today, we ask your blessing on all newly baptized. Hold them in your arms and bless them. Shine your light on the path before them and let them always feel your loving presence as they travel along the paths of life. Lord, we ask you blessing on their parents, grandparents and god-parents. May they guide them with their own example of your love and always be ready to listen and to comfort, to laugh and to play, to encourage and to praise. May they always show their children that they are special in their eyes and also in yours. Amen.

Thanks to members of the Baptism Team helping parents preparing for the Sacrament of Baptism. Next Baptism Meeting on Tuesday 7th February.

Vincent de Paul: Many thanks to the children of Kill School for €160 received before Christmas.

If anyone is ill in hospital or at home and would like a visit, please contact Parochial House and we will arrange same.

Devotions in honour of St. Charles of Mount Argus in Rathmolyon Church on this Sunday 8th January from 3-5pm. All welcome.

New Year's Resolution: Attend Daily Mass and Adoration when possible.

Crib: Visit the crib today and with the three wise Kings, offer to God our worship, praise and thanks. It is a tradition for many to bring home a piece of straw from the crib and place it in the home as a means of asking God's protection in the year ahead.

Christmas Offerings: Thanks to all who contributed to the Christmas Offerings. Your support, generosity and encouragement is much appreciated

Chernobyl Childrens Church Gate Collection was €1,480. Many thanks.

Rathmolyon GAA present "**Little Red Riding Hood**" panto in Summerhill Community Centre on Friday 20th January, Saturday 21st January at 8pm and on Sunday 22nd January at 3pm. Tickets €10 available from Ryan's Shop.

Enfield/Rathmolyon Parish Mission in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on **Monday 13th, 20th, 27th Feb. and Mon. 6th March, 8-9pm in Rathmolyon Church.**



Theme: Faith nourished, celebrated and lived.

Our Churches are at the centre of the Faith life of our Parish.

Jordanstown Church is well over 150 years old, while Rathmolyon Church celebrates the 50th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone in 2017. As a help in nourishing and strengthening our Faith we have organised a Parish Mission for four consecutive Monday nights from 13th February to 6th March inclusive from 8-9pm. The Mission will be dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

The Mission Service each evening will take place in Rathmolyon church and will include some congregational singing, Readings from Scripture and a talk delivered by a guest speaker. The theme of each week's service will relate to a specific area of faith, and each night people will have the opportunity to offer their own petitions.

World Meeting of Families. In preparing for the World Meeting of Families in Ireland in August 2018, Pope Francis has invited families here in Ireland and across the world to reflect on the event theme, **The Gospel of the Family : Joy for the World.**

Prayer to the Holy Family. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love, to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing. Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. **Prayer Cards with this prayer available at the crib and the back of the church. Please take one.**

Prayer to St. Charles of Mount Argus: Heavenly Father, you filled Saint Charles with your Holy Spirit. In love with Christ Crucified he spent his life in prayer at the foot of the Cross. From the Cross he went forth to bring Good News to the poor, healing to the sick and dying, forgiveness to the sinner. Look now on your people who cry to you. Through the intercession of Saint Charles give us the graces we need. Heal our aches and pains, our hurts and wounds, our anxieties and bad memories. Free us from depressions, habits of sin, and all evil. Strengthen our faith, deepen our hope, and increase our love. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father. Saint Charles, pray for us.

Next weekend:

Readers: Sat. 8pm. K. Cummins. **Sun. 10am.** A. Ennis

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

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

Altar Society: A. Heffernan, I. Brady.

Cleaners: M. McLoughlin, E. Lewis, J. Pearle, G. Foylan

Collectors: Sat. 8pm. M. Mc Guane, M. Martin, M. Forde,

Sun. 10am. B. Grimes, J. Brady, R. Lewis.

