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Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 1/2nd July, 2017 No. 1251.

Sat. 8pm. Gus, Winifred and Rita O'Brien. George Bagnall.

Mary Forde, Rathflesk. Jimmy and Carmel Farrell, Paddy and Honer O'Brien.

Sun. 10am. Intentions of parishioners.

Tuesday and Thursday: Mass at 9.30am. **Thursday:** Feast of St. Maria Goretti.

Wednesday and Friday: Mass in Enfield Oratory at 9.30am.

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm. Stephanie, Jim and Eddie Carr and family.

10am. Martin and Mary Kearney.

Plate Collection: €870 (Peter's Pence). **Building fund:** €85. *Many thanks.*

Building fund envelope due this weekend.

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

Please pray for Pat Fletcher, Ballyfermot, brother of Rita Lynch, Ballinderrin, Eamon Kenny, Saggart, brother of Helen Murphy, New Road, Baconstown and Gerard Fanthom, Killucan, father of Patricia Boylan, Cullentra. R.I.P.

Friday is the First Friday: The sick and housebound will be attended on Friday.

Baconstown National School: *Thanks* to all involved in the Official Opening and Blessing of the extension of the school on Tuesday last.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: Sunday 13th August. A bus will be leaving from the parish. More details later.

Thanks to all who supported recent Church Gate collection in aid of Clann Mór Respite Centre. €229 was collected.

Ruth and Shane Doherty would like to thank everyone who contributed to their coffee morning on Saturday June 24th in aid of Feileacain and in memory of their daughters, Emma and Molly. A massive €5,580 was raised on the day and donations are still trickling in. To everyone who donated and to anyone who helped out with equipment needed for the day, we thank you.

Rathmolyon High Nellie Cycle: Saturday 8th July. Registration from 5.30pm in the village and the cycle starting promptly at 6pm. Registration fee is €5 and all proceeds go towards the Senior Citizens. Contact Nick 086 1013943 or Shane on 086 0749281.

Enfield Celtic FC- Dogs Night Fundraiser at Shelbourne Park is rescheduled to Saturday 8th July, first race at 7.50pm. Tickets €10 each including race programme. Children U13 free. Bus from Enfield leaving at 6.30pm, bus tickets €10 per person. Please support, all proceeds to fund club development. Please contact Anne Maher for tickets.

Parish Golf Classic: At present there is approx. €21,000 profit. *Many thanks.*

Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto Nos. 7,11,12,30. Next draw Monday 3rd July.

Race Night in aid of Na Fianna Footballers on Sat 15th July in the Bridge Bar at 9pm.

Monthly Public Rosary to mark the Centenary of Fatima. The next Public Rosary will be on Saturday 15th July at 4pm on Market Street, Trim (under the courthouse clock). Contact H. Dempsey 086 0776537.

Annual Novena to St. Camillus: St. Camillus, Killucan from 13th - 16th July from 6pm with Mass at 7pm. Speaker: Yvonne Lynam, Stephen Cummins and Fr. Denis Sandham. Each evening will include: Veneration of the relics of the Saint, Confessions, Prayer for the Sick and Mass.

Sunday 16th July - Feast of St. Camillus: Mass at 10.30am will be at the grotto of Our Lady of Fatima in the grounds. There will be a night vigil of gratitude with torchlight procession that evening from 10pm until 2am.

Today's Gospel: *The simple cup of water*

The examples are stark in the gospel today: about not preferring mother and father to Jesus; about how, in our care for others, we care for Jesus, and how, in our neglect of others, we neglect him. We need to go beyond the practical example to finding out what is central in our lives and how we see God as central. When God is central, our love can be in the smallest of services to people, like 'the cup of cold water'. Jesus is not central outside our humanity, and our human relationships. In the real needs of ordinary people we meet his needs. We give the 'cup of cold water' to the person who needs it, not just to Jesus. It's like many stories in the gospel of Jesus helping those in real need. This is the central point of faith. We help in simple ways. This is what Pope Francis refers to in his encouragement of simple love, 'like the warm supper we look forward to at night, the early lunch awaiting someone who gets up early to go to work. Homely gestures. Like a blessing before we go to bed, or a hug after we return from a hard day's work. Love is shown by little things, by attention to small daily signs which make us feel at home. Faith grows when it is lived and shaped by love' (September 2015). ***Recall a time when someone helped you in a small way. Offer yourself to do the same when you can. Make me, O Lord, a channel of your peace and love when I see the needs of others.***

Schools are closed and families will be going on holidays. May everybody be safe on the roads and at the seaside during the Summer. We were saddened by the devastating loss of life in the terrible disaster that occurred in the Grenfell Tower fire in West London. Forest fires swept through European countries; the worst being in Portugal. This disaster brings home to us how important it is that we do everything we can to protect our environment and avoid global warming. Let us pray for those who have died and for their loved ones who are heartbroken. Lord your love for us has never failed. Listen to our prayer and come to the aid of those who are suffering because of disaster and tragedy. Save us from all evil and help us in time of need. Amen

Next weekend:

Readers: Sat. 8pm. S. Downey. **Sun. 10am.** M. Downey.

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

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

Altar Society: M. Murray, P. Brady. **Cleaners:** A. O'Neill

Collectors: Sat. 8pm. J. Jordan, M. Jordan, D. Downey.

Sun. 10am. S. Dempsey, K. Halton, N. Howley.