

Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

Masses this weekend: 6/7th May, 2017 No. 1243.

Sat. 8pm. Sarah, Michael and John Payne.

Sun 10am. Phil and Elizabeth Higgins and deceased family members.

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

Saturday: First Holy Communion Masses for children of Enfield School at 10.30am and 12.30pm.

Next weekend: Sat. 8pm Billy Byrne, John and Jane Byrne. Billy Maguire, 4th Anniv. and his parents. **Sun 10am.**

Plate Collection: €407. **Building Fund:** €375. *Many thanks.*

Building fund envelope due this weekend.

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

Please pray for Marie Little, Enfield who has died. Remains arriving to Jordanstown church this Sunday at 6pm. Funeral Mass on Monday at 12 noon. R.I.P.

Congratulations to the children of Kill National School who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday. **Thanks** to teachers, choir and all involved in post communion refreshments.

Trocáire Boxes: Thanks to all who have returned Trocáire Boxes. Amount received €1,800. Remaining boxes can be returned to Mass next weekend.

Easter Holy Water available in container at the Altar.

Vocations Sunday: This Sunday 7th May. We are asked to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life. At present we have 4 students studying for the Priesthood for our diocese. **The collection this Sunday will go towards their support, education and upkeep.** Please be as generous as you can. For information re diocesan priesthood, contact your local priest or Fr. Shane Crombie 057 9322244. "Vocations are born in prayer and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit" Pope Francis. "Dear young people do not bury your talents, the gifts God has given you. Do not be afraid to dream great things." Pope Francis.

Parish Golf Classic will take place in Rathcore Golf Club on Thursday and Friday 15th and 16th June with a meal for players after golf in the Bridge House, Enfield. Team of 4 €200. Time sheet now open. Sponsorship welcome from business and households. **Committee Meeting** on Thurs next 11th May at 9.00pm in Enfield Parochial House.

Choir Practice for joint adult choirs from Rathmolyon and Jordanstown on Wednesday evening in Enfield Meeting Room in preparation for Radio Mass to be broadcast on RTE Radio 1 on Sunday 4th June.

Enfield Community Employment: Vacancy for worker in Vincents Shop in Enfield. C.E. eligibility required. Contact Supervisor 085 7853968.

Mass for Exam Students: The Vigil Mass in both churches on Saturday 27th May will be offered for the intentions of all doing exams.



Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto Nos. 4,6,15,30. Next draw Monday 8th May.

Rathmolyon U/14 Hurling Team: Table Quiz in aid of boys representing their Club and County on Friday 12th May in the Village Inn, Rathmolyon at 9pm. Table of 4 €40. Raffle on the night. *Many thanks* to all who supported the cake sale last weekend. €907 was made. Your support greatly appreciated.

Na Fianna are holding a dance at the Dunboyne Castle on 19th May starring country star Mick Flavin. Tickets go on sale this Friday and cost €15. Tickets from club members, from the Dunboyne Castle or paid on the night.

Dance lessons return 8th May with John and Ruth at 8pm in the Bridge House. Lessons from 8-9 and dancing from 9-10. Lessons are for both beginners and those who wish to improve. Lessons will continue for 3 weeks (Monday 8th, 15th and 22nd). Admission for both lessons and dancing €10 per session.

May Devotions: We encourage people to pray the Rosary for the month of May. Rosary on Saturday evenings at 7.40pm and on Sundays at 9.40am.

Dates for Cemetery Sunday: Kill: Sunday 28th May. Mass at 7.30pm.

Jordanstown: Sunday 11th June. Mass at 7.30pm.

Altar Servers: Is your child interested in becoming an Altar Server. We are inviting boys and girls from 4th - 6th classes in our parish to become an Altar Server. It is a great way for young people to serve God and contribute in their local parish. Please contact Geraldine Halton 086 1684017 or Bernadette Fahy 087 6506728.

Today's Gospel: The Good Shepherd. What does it mean to be the Good Shepherd? Jesus explains it to us with convincing clearness. The shepherd knows his sheep and the sheep know him. How wonderful and consoling it is to know that Jesus knows us one by one; that for him we are not anonymous persons; that our name - that name which is agreed upon by loving parents and friends - is known to him! For Jesus we are not a "mass", a "multitude"! We are individual "persons" with an eternal value, both as creatures and as redeemed persons. He knows us. He knows me and loves me and gave himself for me. Jesus wants everyone to be a "good shepherd". Every Christian by virtue of baptism, is called to be himself a "good shepherd" in the environment in which he lives. You parents must exercise the functions of the Good Shepherd with regard to your children; and you, too, children, must be edifying with your love, your obedience, and above all with your courageous and consistent faith. Also the mutual relations between husband and wife must be marked by the example of the Good Shepherd, in order that family life may always have that nobility of sentiments and ideals willed by the Creator, because of which the family has been defined the "domestic Church", So also at school, at work, in playgrounds and places of leisure, in hospitals and where people are suffering, let everyone always try to be a "good shepherd" like Jesus.

Next weekend:

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

Eucharistic Ministers: 8pm. B. Mulvihill, E. Delgarno.

Sun. 10am. A. Sweeny, G. Harnan.

Altar Society: F. Brady.

Cleaners: O. McGuane, C. Dixon, P. Martin, R. Cosgrave.

Collectors: Sat. 8pm. M. McGuane, M. Martin, M. Forde.

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

