



Mass Intentions

Sunday

6.00 pm: Lil O'Reilly (Anniv)
10.00 am:
12.00 pm: Clodagh Rossi (Anniv)

We also remember

Isobel Freaney, Christine Marley, William Cusack, Marion Dolan, Jackie Thornton, Desmond and Adelaide O'Neill, May Heron, Gerard Grant.

From *The Joy of Love*, the Pope's apostolic exhortation on love in the family

"Experiencing an emotion is not, in itself, morally good or evil. The stirring of desire of repugnance is neither sinful nor blameworthy. What is morally good or evil is what we do on the basis of, or under the influence of, a given passion" (Par. 145).

Ecumenical Bible Study Group

The next meeting of our ecumenical bible study group is this Wednesday, 14th March, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre of the Church of Ireland, Seafield Road. This Lent we are looking at a section of the Jewish Scriptures known as the Wisdom Literature. It includes the Books of Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, Ecclesiasticus and Wisdom. It is a distinctive section of the Jewish Scriptures that grapples with issues of human experience that remain relevant to us today. All are welcome.

Holy Hour

Our next Holy Hour will take place in our Parish Church on next Sunday, March 18, at 7.30 pm. We will be reflected on two gospel passages which feature Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the gospel passages relating to the annunciation to Mary and to Mary's visitation to Elizabeth.

'Hosanna!'

Habemus, a Dublin based chamber choir, are performing an evening of song entitled 'Hosanna' in our parish church on Saturday 24th March at 7.30pm. *Habemus* is a chamber choir full of professional and semi-professional singers, brought together with a shared passion for a wide range of musical styles. The concert will be a celebration of song, sacred and contemporary. Tickets are €15 and €10 for O.A.P.s and students and are available for purchasing in the parish office or on the door. Any funds raised will go towards the work on the church windows.

ST. PATRICK WAS A REFUGEE: Welcoming the stranger

On Thursday, 22nd March, at 7.30 p.m. in St John's Parish Centre, Clontarf Road, there will be an evening consisting of presentations and discussion on issues faced by Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Ireland. Speakers include Tian Yu Lloyd of City of Sanctuary, Nick Henderson, CEO, Irish Refugee Council and Peter Sheekey who runs English Classes for Refugees in Ballybough Community Centre. Some refugees/asylum seekers will also speak about their experiences.

A Veil for Veronica, Gardiner Street Church, Mon., Tues., Wednesday of Holy Week

Sean Walsh and his drama group will perform his play, *A Veil for Veronica*, set against the backdrop of the first Good Friday. Admission free. All welcome. Sean's plays have been performed in our own church over the past number of years and have been met with great appreciation. This play would make for a very worthwhile Holy Week exercise.

Clontarf Bethany Support Group p will be in attendance in St John the Baptist Parish Centre, on Saturday 17th March at 10.30am. Do drop in for a confidential chat over a cup of tea. 087 6445309.

Clontarf Historical Society.

Talk on "Plots in Clontarf, Fairview and Marino" by Noel Carolan
Plots are now called "Allotments"
Monday 12th March 2018 at 8.15pm in Resource Center, St.Johns Church, Clontarf Road. Visitors welcome €5

Gathering of Ministers of the Eucharist

There will be a meeting of the Ministers of the Eucharist this Thursday, 15th March, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. Fr Damien McNeice, who is attached to the Liturgy Office in the Diocese, will speak to us about icons, including the icon for the World Meeting of Families. This will also be an opportunity to look at people's availability for the liturgies of Holy Week.

The Three Parish Justice and Peace Group

This group will now be working at a Cluster level. The next meeting of this group is in the Parish Office of Saint John the Baptist Church, this Monday, March 12, at 7.30 pm. New members would be welcome. We aim to organize events relating to the issue of Justice and Peace in our society, such as the forthcoming evening on the refugee and asylum issue in our country.

Masses for Saint Patrick's Day

There will be Mass at 6.00 pm on Friday, March 16, for the feast of Saint Patrick. There will be the usual 10.00 am Mass on Saturday, March 17. There is no 12.00 pm Mass on that day.

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MASSES

St John the Baptist

Mon - Sat : 10.00 am
Sundays: 6.00 pm (V), 10.00 am.,
12.00 pm
St Gabriel's: Sat (Vigil) 6.00pm
Sunday 10.30 am and 6.00 pm
St Anthony's: Sat 5.30 pm (Vigil)
Sunday 10.00 am, 11.30 am

CONFESSIONS

After the 10 a.m. and 6 p.m Masses on Sat and after the 10 a.m Mass on the Thurs before the First Friday

BAPTISMS

On the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11.00 am and the 3rd Saturday of each month at 12 noon

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Monday to Friday