

Sunday

6.00 pm: Gilbert Hayes (Anniv) 10.00 am: Vincent O'Toole (Anniv)

12.00 pm: Marian and Charles Lynch (An)

We also remember

Eilish Keogh, Maura Lawless, Margaret Lyon, Walter and Mary Clarke, Jim Byrne, Patrick and Margaret Morrison, Cathal Crowley

St Josephs Young Priests Society will hold its monthly meeting on Friday 5th October at 11.30 am in the Parish Centre. New members most welcome.

Adult Baptism

Conor is a young man who contacted us some months ago because he wanted to become a Christian. He is presently undergoing a period of preparation for baptism with Sister Bernadette, one of the Holy Faith Sisters. Please keep both of them in your prayers. Conor will be formally enrolled in the order of catechumens at the 12.00 pm Sunday Mass on Sunday 28th October. It is hoped that he will be baptized and confirmed on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, January 13, 2019, in our Parish Church at the 12.00 pm Mass. The year 2019 will be a big year for Conor. Not only is he celebrating the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, but later in the year he will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage!

Do this in Memory Team Meeting

I would like to thank the parents of the First Holy Communion children who volunteered to serve on this Year's *Do this in Memory* team. This group of parents help to prepare the special Sunday Masses for their children's first Holy Communion. This year's team is a little smaller than usual and we would love if some more parents of children for First Holy Communion joined the team.

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

'If we accept death, we can prepare ourselves for it. The way is to grow in our love for those who walk at our side, until that day when 'death will be no more, mourning and crying and pain will be no more (Rev. 21:4). We will thus prepare ourselves to meet once more our loved ones who have died' (Par. 256)

Faithfest

Faithfest is an event for teenagers which aims to help build spaces where teenagers have an experience of a peer community, explore faith, and encounter an experience of welcome, belonging, discipleship and prayer in a creative and fun atmosphere. It takes place next Friday 5th October 2018, 6pm - 9pm in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road. We would love to see some young people from the parish attend Faithfest. Each young person is asked to bring €2, walking shoes, a warm jacket and a signed consent form which can be downloaded from www.evangelisation.ie

Clontarf Residents' Association

Clontarf Residents' Association AGM will be held at 8pm on Monday 15th October 2018 in Holy Faith Secondary School, Belgrove Road, Clontarf. This year's AGM will focus on the campaign to SAVE ST ANNE'S and the PROMENADE FLOOD DEFENCES.

Finance Committee

The second Finance Committee meeting after the Summer takes place this Wednesday, 3rd October, at 7.30 pm in the presbytery, 186 Clontarf Road. We hope to be in a position to sell 187 Clontarf Road in the coming months. There were issues relating to purchasing the freehold which has delayed the sale. We should then have the finances to continue with the work on the windows of the church and to commence other necessary works to preserve the church building for future generations.

Rett Syndrome Ireland

This Sunday, after all the Masses, in the parish centre there will be an event in aid of Rett Syndrome Ireland with a bake sale, face painting, and opportunities to donate to the Rett Syndrome foundation in Ireland. Rett Syndrome is a disorder of brain development and has no cure.

We are back! The Wednesday Craft and Coffee Morning resumes this Wednesday 3rd October in the Parish Centre from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Do come along to chat, read the paper, learn to play chess or just relax and enjoy a tea or coffee where a warm welcome awaits all. Open to both men and women. Nominal contribution of €2 to cover overheads

Men's Sheds

This group meets every Tuesday morning at 10.45 am in the Parish Centre. It is a great opportunity for men to come together and serve the parish community and the wider community with their energy, enthusiasm and gifts. There is also a very worthwhile social dimension to it for all involved. The first meeting of the group after the Summer will be this coming Tuesday, 2nd October. Come along and be part of a lovely group!

Do this in Memory Mass, Sunday, 7th October

The 10.00 am Family Mass next Sunday will be the first of the *Do this in Memory* Masses for the first communion children. They will be formally enrolled as candidates for first Holy Communion at this Mass. There will be a meeting of the *Do this in Memory* team of parents to plan this Mass this Tuesday, 2nd October, at 8.00 pm in the Parish Sacristy/Office.

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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) 5.00pm 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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