

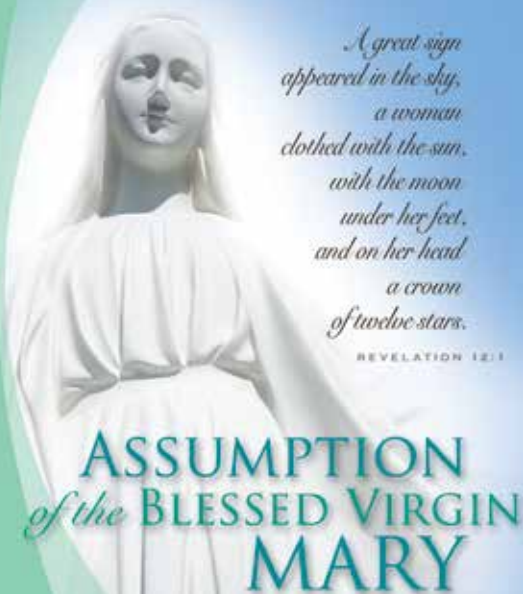
Parish Newsletter

12th August 2018 ✕ 19th Sunday ✕ Year B

TICKET COLLECTION FOR THE PAPAL MASS

Anyone who has booked a Mass and/or Coach Ticket for the Papal Mass with the Parish Office should hopefully be able to collect them from the Parish Office from Tuesday 14th August- 9:30am - 1pm. There is a fee of €10 per person to cover the cost of the coach and we ask that this be paid when you come to collect your ticket.

Please note there will be a walk of no further than 7km. Seating will not be provided in the Phoenix Park, however, portable seating will be allowed into the Park, so you are advised to bring a fold-up chair with you. More information on this and what else you can bring into the Park will be available soon - please check the WMOF2018 website (www.worldmeeting2018.ie). There are also a range of facilities on site to help you on the day. Designated rest zones, food and drinks stations, medical facilities, as well as toilets and baby changing facilities are all at the Park, gates and transport hubs. There will also be volunteers throughout the Park and special facilities for people with accessibility issues and their carers.



Papal Visit 25th & 26th August 2018 Changes to Mass Schedule

On the weekend of the 25th and 26th August there will be a different Mass Schedule to facilitate those attending the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park and also to provide a gathering for those unable to attend.

On Saturday 25th the Vigil Mass will be a 6:30pm. On Sunday 26th there will be only one morning Mass at 9:00am. There will be no 11:00am, 12:30pm or 5:30pm Masses. In the afternoon we invite people to gather in the Church at 2:30pm to watch the Mass being broadcast at 3:00pm from the Phoenix Park. Holy Communion will be distributed during this gathering and it fulfills your Sunday obligation. **There will be no 5:30pm Mass.**

Mass Times

BRACKENSTOWN

7:30 pm (Vigil); 10am & 7:30pm

ST. COLMCILLE'S SWORDS

6:30pm (Vigil); 8:00AM & 10:00AM

ST. FINIAN'S RIVERVALLEY

10:00AM

OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN DUBLIN AIRPORT

1:00pm

CHURCH OF THE VISITATION DRYNAM

9:20am

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: Gary Martin (A)
9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
11:00am: Thomas Moloney (2nd A) & Joe, Paula & Kathleen Moloney (R)
12:30pm: Thomas, Josephine & Donald Macken (A)
5:30pm: Mary Tormey (A)

PRAY FOR

Noel Lowndes (1st A)
Elizabeth Farrell (A)
Tony Conway (7th A)
Johnny, Kathleen, Michael & Darren O'Sullivan (Rem)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Special Intention
Tues: Dcsd Member of McTernan Family (A)
7:30pm Michalina Laskowska (RD) & Henryk Larowski (8th A)
Wed: Evelyn O'Malley (A)
7:30pm Mark O'Neill (10th A)
Thurs: Lesley Lynch (A) & Vera Lynch (R)
Fri: Eileen, Stephen & Stephen jnr. Sheridan
Sat: Thomas Nulty (MM)

Holyday Mass: Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am & 7:30pm

Confession: Saturday 10:30am-11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm & After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday

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CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

NEXT COLLECTION
1/2 September
VDP Collection

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The Refurbishment of the Church

Phase One:

The works that will take place in phase one will be in the following order:

- Beginning on 20th August the repainting of the Church. Three colour samples marked A, B, C, will be on the back wall and near the Sacred Space. You can write your preference on a card and put it in the box beside the samples. They will be the same colours in both locations. The red at the back of the reredos will stay the same, but it is proposed to lighten the colour of the Church.

At the same time winders will be fitted to the windows so that they can be opened/closed without getting on a chair.

Mass will be at 10:00am on the weekdays as normal, but we may have to use one of the side aisles or the Parish Centre for Masses. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the old Parish Meeting Room in the Presbytery for the duration of the works.

- The carpet will go in towards the end of September to allow for rewiring of the sound system.
- The new Altar Furniture will be ordered in September once we have approval from the Diocesan Art and Architecture Commission. As part of our submission we will be looking at where we will place the Chair and the Ambo.

Why have the Chair and the Ambo been swapped?

The last time the Church was reordered the Tabernacle was moved from the centre of the Sanctuary to the side, where it is now. Why was this done? The guiding principle comes from the reforms of the Second Vatican Council and is outlined in this article from the General Instruction of the Roman Missal which covers all the norms for the layout of Churches and the celebration of the Sacraments:



The Place for the Reservation of the Most Holy Eucharist

314. In accordance with the structure of each church and legitimate local customs, the Most Blessed Sacrament should be reserved in a tabernacle in a part of the church that is truly noble, prominent, readily visible, beautifully decorated, and suitable for prayer.

The one tabernacle should be immovable, be made of solid and inviolable material that is not transparent, and be locked in such a way that the danger of profanation is prevented to the greatest extent possible. Moreover, it is appropriate that, before it is put into liturgical use, it be blessed according to the rite described in the Roman Ritual.

315. It is more in keeping with the meaning of the sign that the tabernacle in which the Most Holy Eucharist is reserved not be on an altar on which Mass is celebrated.

Consequently, it is preferable that the tabernacle be located, according to the judgment of the diocesan Bishop,

Either in the sanctuary, apart from the altar of celebration, in a form and place more appropriate, not excluding on an old altar no longer used for celebration;

Or even in some chapel suitable for the faithful's private adoration and prayer and organically connected to the church and readily visible to the Christian faithful.

I have underlined the particular reasons why the Tabernacle was moved to its current location. When you read the paragraph 314 it speaks about the honour due to the Tabernacle which the beautiful surround and the new Sanctuary Lamp, give our Tabernacle.

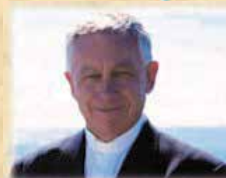
The reason for moving the Ambo to the other side of the Sanctuary is that when you look up the Church, the Ambo blocks the Tabernacle. When there are funerals or school/family Masses, the readers often stand in front of the Tabernacle, all of which goes against what is said in article 125 above. However this is a local matter, so you will be asked for your preference and reason.

Next week we will look at the location of the Baptismal Font and also a look to the future as to the type of seating we should have in the Church to meet changing needs in the future.

Fr. Paul

Do you know someone who wants to become a Catholic? RCIA

Last Easter we welcomed three adults into our Church at the Vigil. It was a wonderful moment in their lives and also in the life of our Parish. The journey to Baptism for an adult is one of coming to listen to God calling them through reflection on God's word, coming to understand our Catholic faith and experiencing the Parish community gathered for worship. Each year we begin this journey in September, but the length of the time that each individual spends preparing is down to them and the team who accompany them. Through participation in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process, each person is brought at their own pace through the various stages of the liturgical calendar until they discern they are ready for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If you are reading this and either for yourself or someone you know would like to find out more about becoming a member of our faith community then please contact Fr. Paul on pauljthornton@gmail.com or 087 7404729 to arrange a meeting.



An opportunity to gather and listen to Cardinal John Dew
Archbishop of Wellington
Followed by an invitation to take part in a Pastoral Conversation

VENUE:
HOLY CROSS COLLEGE
CLONLIFE ROAD
DUBLIN 3
29th AUGUST 10am – 1pm

To register contact
E: evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie
T: 01 837 3732 – ext 247/248
W: www.evangelisation.ie

Launch Out: Lay Pastoral Leadership Roles

9.45 am	Arrivals
10 am	Keynote Address
11.45 am	Tea, Coffee and Cake
12.10 pm	Pastoral Conversations

Brackenstown Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2019
We are planning a Holy Land Pilgrimage
The approximate dates are:
26th Oct-3rd Nov '19
Amp will be MAP Travel
Names are now being taken through the Parish Office



OPEN MEETING TÉARNAIGE
2nd Wednesday of each month
8pm - 9:30pm in Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin Airport
Contact: 086 734 7353



Please note the webcam in the Church is only switched on when a Mass/Service is happening in the Church. This is due to the new Data Protection regulations.



Praying with God's Word
Below are the readings for this Sunday and the following Sunday:
19th Sunday:
First Reading: 2nd Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 33; Second Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2; Gospel: John 6:41-51
20th Sunday:
First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 33; Second Reading: Ephesians 5: 15-20; Gospel: John 6:51-58



Next Parent Meeting is Thursday 6th September
Next dates for Baptisms:
Saturday 15th Sept 12:30pm
Sunday 30th Sept at 1:45pm
Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.



DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES SICK PILGRIMS SECTION
A huge **"THANK YOU"** to all who donated so generously to help send sick pilgrims to Lourdes with the Dublin Pilgrimage. The amount contributed was €1,782.24. The sheets of names will be taken to Lourdes with the Pilgrimage and placed at the Grotto during the Pilgrimage. Mass is offered for all Associate Members during the Pilgrimage. If you would still like to contribute to this great work you can do so at the table in the main porch after the Sat. evening or Sunday morning Masses. Once again sincere thanks. Please pray for the success of the Pilgrimage.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Mon: 10.30 am – 11.30 am
Wed: 6.00 pm – 11.00 pm
Fri: 10.30 am – 5.45pm
Sat: 10.30am – 11.30am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place the last Sunday of every month from 4pm–5pm. Can you stay 1 hour with me? We encourage new people to come & join us.

THE ROSARY
Praying for a special intention? Praying for Peace? The "Rosary Statue" was blessed for use in the homes of the parish at the October Candlelight Procession. If you would like to pray the rosary again and have the rosary statue in your home for a week, or **get more information**, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

FAMILY OFFERING
We thank all those parishioners who support the running of the parish through the Parish Family Offering fund.

June Standing Order €3,187.00
Outdoor Collection n/a
Annals/Half Yearly n/a
All of the above contributions are recorded for the tax rebate.
COLLECTIONS AT THE WEEKEND MASSES
First Collection n/a (n/a recorded for tax rebate)
SHARE Collection n/a (n/a recorded for tax rebate)
BINGO Every Sunday in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm
Doors open at 7:30pm - Everyone welcome! **BINGO**

GDPR - A new European Data Protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), is being introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people's personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

Everything is a Love Letter from God

"God has written a precious book, 'whose letters are the multitude of created things present in the universe'. No creature is excluded from this manifestation of God. 'From panoramic vistas to the tiniest living form, nature is a constant source of wonder and awe. It is also a continuing revelation of the divine.'" (Canadian Bishops' Conference) [LS 85]

Notice what Pope Francis is saying here - that the first Creation is already a special story about God, a precious book in which every page, every creature, is a revelation of the divine Creator. He is saying that God was already in the world from the beginning of its existence, long before



the coming of Jesus into our world at the first Christmas. He believes that Creation itself is a central part of the Christian story. It will be helpful for all of us to get a clearer glimpse of this revelation - that Creation itself is the first love letter from our Parent-God - the first Bible, the first glimpse of our divine Mother, her first incarnation. It is an insight we need to grasp if we

are ever to be touched by what our Pope has in his heart for our enlightenment and nourishment.

"Acknowledging the intrinsic value and beauty of creation ... is a major paradigm shift for most Western and cultural Christians," writes Richard Rohr. "We limited God's love and salvation to our own human species and even then to only certain 'chosen' people ... All you have to do today is walk outside and gaze at one leaf, long and lovingly, until you know, really know, that this leaf is a participation in the eternal being of God."

Extract from *An Astonishing Secret* by Daniel O'Leary (www.columbabooks.com)

Quote of the week

Within the message the people who do not believe in Christ are sending us, there is a profound challenge for us to embrace a life more rooted fully in the example of Jesus Christ.

– Matthew Kelly

Challenge:

How can I embrace a life more rooted in Jesus this week

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