St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter Passion (Palm) Sunday - 14th April 2019



Ministers of the Eucharist & the Word

New Rotas have been emailed this week. Hard copies are available in the sacristy.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Mondays @ 7pm in the Fr. Dungan room

Warm congratulations to our junior choir on their wonderful performance in the RDS Feis Ceoil last week which prompted some very inspiring comments from the judge: 'Excellent tone and diction from such young singers; a lovely sense of phrasing and a good sense of direction; good rhythmic ensemble'

ONLINE HOLY WEEK RETREAT

Reflect on the Gospels of Holy Week in a way that helps shine God's light on your life. Watch one online talk each day following the format of Lectio Divina.

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Towards the cross

Triona Doherty

At the beginning of today's Mass, we hear of Jesus' spectacular entry into Jerusalem. The crowds who greet him cry out and praise God – the King has come! It is similar to how victorious army generals were welcomed home. They have set their hopes on Jesus. They are waiting for a Messiah and King, and have heard so much about this preacher – is he the one they've been waiting for?

But Jesus is not the hero they've been expecting He has not come to raise up an army or become a great political leader. Quite the opposite: Jesus has come to Jerusalem to die. The story takes a dark and dramatic turn, and we are plunged into a tale of arrest, trial, torture and death. Before long, the crowds are shouting 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' and taunting him on the cross to 'save himself if he is the Christ of God'. Jesus' triumphant entrance into the city is also his entry into his betrayal, suffering, and death. We play our part in the unfolding drama today, as we first hold up our palm branches and later join the crowds condemning Jesus.

In his Palm Sunday homily to young people last year, Pope Francis said the changing reactions of the crowds 'expresses the contradictory feelings that we too, the men and women of today, experience: the capacity for great love, but also for great hatred; the capacity for courageous self-sacrifice, but also the ability to 'wash our hands'. Today we place ourselves in the Passion of Jesus, and we look to the Cross as our consolation and our challenge.



Our thanks go to Brad Anderson who opened our eyes to the

understanding of the Bible (Old Testament) from a Jewish perspective as opposed to a Christian perspective. A very interesting conversation ensued. He has given us food for thought.

Morning Meditation - Mondays after the 10am Mass & Rosary

Eucharistic Adoration:
Tues. & Fri. after the 10am Mass

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Holy Week Timetable 2019

Holy Thursday: No Morning Mass

7.30 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper 9.00 pm - 10.00 pm - Holy Hour

Good Friday:

10.00 am - Morning Prayer

12 noon - Stations of the Cross-families

3.00 pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7.30 pm - Stations of the Cross

8.15 pm – Prayer around the Cross

Holy Saturday:

10.00 am—Morning Prayer

11.00 am—Traditional Food Blessing

8.00 pm - EASTER VIGIL

Easter Sunday: Mass at 9, 10.30 and 12

NO EVENING MASS

Easter Monday: Mass at 11.00 am Easter Tuesday: Normal 10.00 am Mass

schedule resumes

CONFESSIONS

Holy Thursday: 10.00 am - 11.00 am **Good Friday:** 10.30 - 11.30 and after the

evening stations

Holy Saturday: 11 am – 12 noon in the

Pastoral Centre

The annual Advocate collection for the Sunshine Fund takes place this weekend. The Sunshine Fund, a special works conference of the St. Vincent de Paul provides summer holidays for children all over Dublin who need a holiday. This collection is their only source of funds. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Cillian Peter, Ellie, Paige,

Amayah, Rionach, Noah & Cillian Conor



Pellettstown area

Good Friday: 12 noon Stations of the Cross meet in the pastoral centre in Royal Canal Park

AN TSEACHTAIN MHÓR: **SEARMANAIS I GAEILGE 2019 HOLY WEEK: CEREMONIES IN IRISH 2019**

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Br. Na Cille Móire, B.A.C. 5 ORATORY OF THE RESURRECTION, KILMORE RD, ARTANE, DUBLIN 5

SÉIPÉAL OLLSCOILE BELFIELD, B.Á.C. 4 **BELFIELD UNIVERSITY CHAPEL, UCD, D4**

> **DÉARDAOIN NA COMAOINEACH HOLY THURSDAY**

Ard Aidhin 7.30 p.m. Belfield 8.00 p.m.

AOINE AN CHÉASTA GOOD FRIDAY

Ard Aidhin 5.00 p.m. Belfield 5.00 p.m.

BIGIL NA CÁSCA SATURDAY, EASTER VIGIL

Ard Aidhin 9.00 p.m. Belfield 9.00 p.m.

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed. 17th April at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin, This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

READERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

9am: Derek Whelan 10.30: Michael Hanratty 12 noon: Kathleen Brennan

Way of the Cross Procession: Most Reverend Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin will lead the Way of the Cross through the Phoenix Park on Good Friday 19 April 2019. The procession will proceed from the Wellington Monument at 12.00pm to the Papal Cross in the Phoenix Park. For more information contact: info@clireland.com

Percy French Troubadours SUPPORTING ST MOCHTA'S PARISH & ST VINCENT DE PAUL Present **Percy French at Kilkee** By Michael Boland



at ST MOCHTA'S PASTORAL **CENTRE** on **SATURDAY 27TH APRIL.** 2019 - AT 8PM An Insight into the Life and Music of Percy French Tickets €15 each from St. Mochta's **Sacristy or Parish Office**

Children's weekly rosary group

in the Pastoral Centre Tuesdays at 3 pm. (followed by refreshments and play) Children of all ages welcome with their quardians. For more info. contact Marie - 0877696909

Intentions	14th April	21st April
Sat. 7pm	Clare Egan	NB: Easter Vigil Maureen Horan Mass at 8pm Jean O'Farrell
Sun 9am	-	
10.30am	Clare Molloy	- All Masses on Easter Sunday
12 noon	Nancy Purtill Deceased staff of Branagan Meats	offered for all our deceased relatives and friends
7pm	Simon Hilliard George Farmer	



The Alzheimer Café is a safe and relaxed place where people with dementia, their families, and health & social care professionals can come together to talk, share & learn. Alzheimer Café evenings are free and all are welcome. The Alzheimer Café takes place on the last Tuesday of every month between 7pm and 9pm in the Clareville Centre, Clareville Court, Glasnevin Dublin 11

All church services are available on line via www.blanchardstownparish.ie