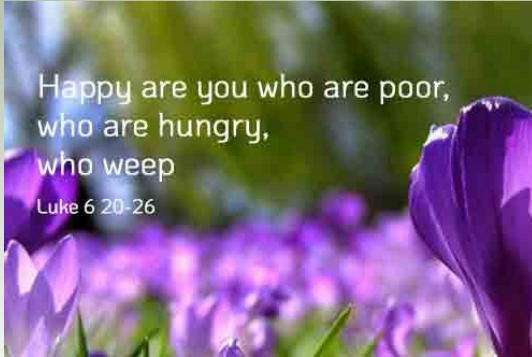


St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time—17th February 2019



Happy are you who are poor,
who are hungry,
who weep

Luke 6 20-26

Pope Francis' 'new Beatitudes' include: Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others. Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalised and show them their closeness. Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Prayer: Wisdom God, give us your Holy Spirit to make choices that will be life-giving, not just for ourselves but for all we meet on the way. Through Christ our Lord.



Thought for the day

We all know from experience that happiness can be confused with all sorts of things — enjoyment, getting my own way, pleasure etc. We also all know— in our heart of hearts—that true happiness is not something that *I have for myself* but something that *I am with others*. Rather than something I possess, it is something that I am, with my values and vision. The paradox of human life is that we attain happiness not by aiming at it for ourselves but only making other people the focus of our lives and loves.

In the words of St Paul: *Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.* (Rom 13:8)

ACCORD Dublin Annual Collection will replace the SHARE collection this weekend

The annual collection for ACCORD, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses this weekend.

ACCORD offers Marriage Preparation Courses, counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships and a Relationship & Sexuality Programmes for primary and secondary Schools. Please give as generously as you can

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February

24th: Afternoon of Reflection
Eucharistic Ministers

March

1st: Confirmation Scoil Oilibhéir
3rd: Mass of All Nations
4th: Novena of Grace
6th: Ash Wednesday
8th: Faith Fest

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Mondays @ 7pm—Fr. Dungan room

**Monday Morning Meditation
after the 10am Mass and Rosary**

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Reminder to Ministers of the Eucharist

If you have not already done so, please reply to the invitation to the afternoon of Prayer and Reflection on Sunday 24th February at 2pm. Phone or text Larry on 087 2504577 before Monday, 18th .



What is Christian Meditation?.

Would you like to find out more about the Christian Meditation Tradition? If so then come along to a "Meet-Up" of people interested in Christian Meditation in Wynne's Hotel, Middle Abbey St. Dublin on Sat. Feb. 23rd from 10.30 am – 12.30pm. For further details see www.christianmeditation.ie

MEĐJUGORJE Easter Pilgrimage

Depart Dublin 19th April - For 7 Days
Group Leader: Eleanor Healy plus
Spiritual Director. €689 pp inclusive.
For more details ph.

Michael 086 8650708/Eleanor 087 2351294

Dublin 15 Toastmasters, Public Speaking Cub, Open Meeting, for Adults, takes place Wednesday the 20th February at 7.45pm. in St. Mochta's Parish Pastoral Centre, Porterstown, D15. Contact Tony on 086 822 1274 for more info. or just come along on the night

Our Mass for All Nations will be celebrated on Sunday the 3rd of March at the 12.00 with refreshments afterwards. The theme is Light to the World. Spread the word



Please Welcome our recently baptised Sam, Sophie, James John, Eva, Laragh & John

Anam Cara North Dublin is holding a Bereavement Information evening on Wed. 20th Feb. at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This is a free event open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for coffee, teas etc. please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tues.19th or phone 085 2888 888.

READERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

7pm: Margaret Keane
9am: Kevin Cullen
10.30: Tony Devlin
12 noon: Sheila Gouldson
7pm: Saritha Moras

Intentions	17th February	24th Feb
Sat. 7pm	Maureen Ryan, Peggy Dorman Francis Owens & Frank McGlynn	Susan Monaghan
Sun 9am	-	-
10.30am	Colette Eglinton Patrick Doolan	Mary Hehir Thomas Devlin
12 noon	John Gilligan, Patrick Kelly Elfriede Meere-von Mengden	William Meere Chris & Sean Brady
7pm	Keith Dillon	Joe, Eileen & Claire McNally

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