

St. Brigid's Blanchardstown, Parish Newsletter.

30th Sunday in Ordinary time—Oct 29th, 2017



November Mass of Remembrance

Our annual Mass of remembrance for those who died during the year will take place on Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm. If you have a family member or friend, who was buried outside the parish and you would like to include them in the Mass, please leave the name in the Sacristy or Office.

THE DEEP END: Charity and Dignity

A number of years ago, I began working for a well-known homeless charity. At the induction week we had the privilege of being addressed by a leading campaigner against homelessness in Dublin city. 'Do not give broken cups to broken people' resonated from the address and has stayed with me ever since.

As acts of charity many people are often inclined to give or donate old items that they no longer have use for. Within this there is a sincere act of generosity and perhaps a desire of not letting anything go to waste. However, there is a challenge here to consider the recipient's feelings on being handed worn out clothes, almost out of date food or damaged toys. How, perhaps, is this impacting on their feeling of worth in society today? Are they not worthy of some new clothes to regain their sense of pride? Some fresh and tasty food to nourish their bodies? Some new, clean toys, the same as other children their age?

These are superficial examples but point towards a challenge to society to provide services of the highest standards to vulnerable people. History and even recent news stories from both home and abroad have presented infuriating examples time and again. Good intentions need to be coupled with thoughtfulness and a determination to give only the best to our neighbour most in need, to show them that they are respected and loved.

Mary Anne Stokes Vincentian Lay Missionaries (VLM)

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - Many thanks to all who contributed to the collection last Sunday— the sum of €2500 was collected for the Missions

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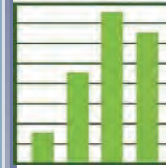
St. Mochta's Parish
BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Grieving the Death of a Loved One by Suicide

on **Thursday, 16th November at 8pm**
 in **St. Mochta's Pastoral Centre**, Porterstown
 (behind the Church).

Members of our community share their experience

Everyone welcome, no charge
 Email bethanybereavementgroup@stmochtasparish.ie
 or contact the Parish Office (01 8213218)



Annual Report

The Parish Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December 2016 is now available around the

St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock

Ecumenical Blessing of the Graves

Sunday November 5th 3.00pm

All welcome

Collection for

The St. Francis Hospice,
 Blanchardstown

& Churchyard Maintenance



Parking in Castleknock: Disabled/elderly parking **only** at the church. All others please park in the grounds of Castleknock NS opposite

The Miscarriage Association of Ireland: will hold its Annual Service of Remembrance on Sun.12th Nov. at 3.00pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Avenue, Dublin 8. All parents, siblings, grandparents & anyone else affected by the loss of a baby are very welcome, regardless of whether the loss was recent or long ago.

Wednesday is the Fest of All Saints

Vigil Mass at 7pm Tuesday,

Morning Mass at 10am Wednesday

No evening Mass on Wednesday



Monday morning Meditation led by Sr. Teresa continues. It takes place after the 10am Mass and Rosary in the Fr.

Dungan room. All welcome



ACCOMMODATION FOR FAMILIES

Could you host a family?

The World Meeting of Families 2018 organisers are actively seeking offers for accommodation for overseas pilgrims in

family homes in the Dublin area, particularly areas with good bus or rail links. If you are interested in hosting Pilgrims or a family in your home please email volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie with 'Host a family' in the subject line

REMEMBER TO TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH YOU AS YOU LEAVE THE CHURCH AND KEEP AN EYE ON THE SPONSORS ON THE BACK.

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland : Our next **Marriage Encounter Weekend** will be from **17 to 19-Nov-2017** (8:00 pm Friday to 4:30 pm Sunday) at The Lake Hotel, Killarney www.lakehotelkillarney.ie/. Details of our weekends and lots more are provided on our website www.marriageencounter.ie or phone (087) 784 0408 or (01) 832 4429.

SET DANCING

Set Dancing classes are held every Tuesday at 8.15pm in the Castleknock Parish Centre. We look forward to seeing old friends and new, and extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to give Set Dancing a try.

ACCORD , BLANCHARDSTOWN

VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONIST WANTED once or twice a month on Tuesday and Wednesday nights at the Accord Centre in Blanchardstown from 7pm to 10pm.

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Notice:

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- A physical disability or illness (aged 11-30)
- A learning disability (aged 11-30)
- A serious illness up to the age of 11 accompanied by a parent or guardian

Forms and further information are available online at www.irishpilgrimage Trust.ie or through our office in Galway on 091 796 622. There is no cost for guests to travel with the Trust. All volunteer carers pay their own fare and fundraise throughout the year to cover the cost of the guests.



Welcome to
Daniel Adrian, Sophie Beth
Axl John, Katie Christina,
Oliver & Stella Catherine
Who celebrated Baptism

November is traditionally a month for remembrance. This Irish Hospice Foundation event aims to provide information about grief and the range of supports available to bereaved people.

Members of the public are invited to attend this free public event: **Thursday, 2nd November 2017 5.30pm - 8.00pm Alexander Hotel, 41-47 Fenian St. (off Merrion Square), Dublin 2.**

The evening will open at 5.30pm with a formal introduction. There will also be an opportunity to chat to voluntary bereavement support services about the supports they provide. During the evening Laura Kennedy will address the gathering and speak on the theme 'Living with Loss'.

This public event is free to attend. Bookings - not necessary.

Mass Intentions

Oct. 29th

Nov 5th

Sat. 7pm	Joseph McGregor	Patrick Herlihy
Sun 9am	Mairead Concannon	Dinny & Nancy Flanagan
10.30am	Caroline Clarke	Joe & Mary Santry and Angela Hyland
12 noon	Margaret & Patrick McGregor	Patrick & Sheila Scully
7pm	John Lawless	Gerard & Richard Farmer

READERS FOR Nov 5th

7pm: Tony Devlin 9am: Alice O'Connell
 10.30am: Mary Brady / 12 noon: Margaret Keane
 7pm: Kathleen Brennan



Please spread the word to family, friends and those housebound and also young families with smart devices All church services are now available on the internet via www.blanchardstownparish.ie

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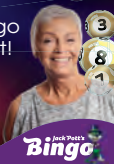
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