St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown Newsletter Baptism of Our Lord–12th January 2020

'Faithfully He brings true justice; he will neither waver nor be crushed until true justice is established on earth' 15 42:4



Trócaire at St. Brigid's

January 18th & 19th 2020

Defending the Defenders

(exhibition and short film) Parish Pastoral Centre after all Masses

Learn about

- Human Rights abuses by Trans-national Corporations
- The work of Human Rights Defenders and the risks they face
- How we in Ireland are involved and what we can do to help

A 'Happy New Year' for some—but not for all!



Major bushfires continue in Australia, with more than 25.5 million acres of land burned in recent weeks. More than twenty people have lost their lives in the fires—Pope Francis has called for prayers.



More than 60 dead in

Iakarta mudslides —

Thousands more have

and flooding.

been displaced from their homes after heavy rains

We remember those that are suffering or homeless, both at home and abroad. At this time we especially pray for the dead, injured and displaced as a result of both the Australian bushfires and the mudslides in Jakarta.

Some of our Regular Parish Events **Monday Morning Meditation** 10.45am in the Fr. Dungan Room **Resumes on 13th January**

Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday and Fridays Commences after the 10am Mass & Rosary. Continues until church closing (app. 8pm) All invited to participate.

> **Divine Mercy Prayer Group** Tuesdays @ 7pm in the church

Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Jubilee Room

Wednesday Meditation Wednesdays at 8pm in the Jubilee room.

Choir Practice Thursdays in the Fr. Dungan Room Juniors 6.15pm, Senior Choir 7.45pm

First Fridays

Mass at 10am and 7pm for our deceased relatives and friends. (10am Mass followed by refreshments in the Pastoral Centre)

> **Rosary Prayer Group for Children & Parents** will resume on 14th January

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent for bereaved parents on Wednesday 15th January 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. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.



Dates for your Diary Feb 1st: St. Brigid's Day Feb 18th: Confirmations St. Francis Xavier's Feb 19th: Confirmations Scoil Bhríde Feb 28th: Confirmations Scoil Oilibhéir March 8th: Mass of All Nations

New Year, New You?

Free 'Couch to 5k Programme' starts Tuesday, 14th January 2020

The Porterstown Panthers' hugely successful 'couch to 5K' training programme is back for 2020. Our running plan is for absolute beginners. We will help you work up to running 5k in six weeks. The plan involves 3 runs a week, with a rest-day between. Training takes place each Tues. and Thurs. at 7.10pm, meeting at The Carpenter pub car park. On Saturdays we head to Porterstown parkrun in Porterstown Park at 9.30am. Find out more on <u>www.Facebook.com/</u> <u>PorterstownPanthers</u>

Digital Skills

FREE Five Week Basic iPhone, Smartphone, Tablet and iPad class commencing in St. Brigid's Community Centre Blanchardstown on Tuesday 14th January 2020 from 12- 2pm. If you would like to book a place please call Angela on 046 9280790." Parish Contact Details

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All church services available online via www.blanchardstown parish.ie

Night classes at Castleknock Community College: Online enrolment is now open at www.castleknockcc.ie. Courses include Painting, Public Speaking, Pilates, Mindfulness, Hairdressing, and many more. We offer Italian, French, Spanish, German and English classes. For further information email <u>nightclasses@castleknockcc.ie</u> or phone 01 8129346 Discounts for over 65's

HARTSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL—EVENING CLASSES

ENROLMENT FOR SPRING 2020 TERM—in the school MONDAY 20th JANUARY—7 to 9PM

Classes begin on February 3rd

ONLINE ENROLMENT AVAILABLE AT ANY TIME THROUGH OUR WEBSITE

01 Phone us 011 (01) 020-3005		
Intentions	11th/12th Jan	18th/19th Jan
Sat. 7pm	Breda Roche Gerry Cahill	Mary Keating
Sun. 9am	Brigid & Patrick O'Doherty Áine Hill, John & Ellen Hyland	-
10.30am	James, Mary, Edward & Millie Fay Kitty & Liam McCarthy	Desmond Connolly Johnny Molloy
12 noon	Sarah Hilliard Barry Finnerty	Hannah Kennedy Frank Power Marie Keogh
7pm	-	-

WWW.HARTSTOWN-CEP.COM or Phone us on (01) 820-9863

Children's Corner



Jesus goes to the River Jordan to be baptised by John the Baptist. John knows who Jesus is and wants Jesus to baptise him instead, but Jesus persuades John to baptise him. As Jesus comes up from the water, the Holy Spirit comes down from the heavens like a dove. A voice from heaven says, "This is my Son and Hove him."

God the Father loved Jesus his Son very much.

Draw a picture of someone who loves you and who you love very much.

This is

who I love very much.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, God our Father loved you very much. Please help me remember that God loves me too. Amen.

READERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Sat. 7pm: Maris Fernandez Sun 9am: Helen Devanney-Power 10.30am: Michael O'connor 12noon: John McNulty 7pm: J.K.Owumereh