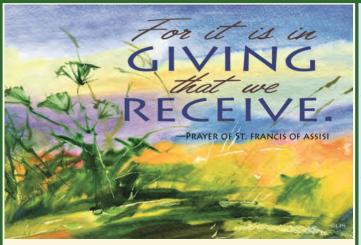


"Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." - Mt 21:31



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

Ouch. This had to sting. Jesus spoke these shocking words not just to anybody. He spoke them to "the chief priests and elders of the people." The ones who were professional law-keepers. The ones who were religious leaders and teachers. The ones who were, in truth, self-righteous, pompous, and presumptuous. Jesus must have known how offensive it would be to his audience to share this unpleasant fact. But he said it anyway because he knew they needed to hear it.

But the point wasn't to offend. The point was to amend. Jesus was urging them to change their lives for the better, to come to God with a humble, contrite heart, seeking forgiveness and mercy. These unrepentant upper-crust leaders were plagued by an inability to see their own sins. They were far too focused on identifying where others were going wrong. And, as was his style, Jesus' preaching was adapted according to his audience. These guys needed to get knocked out of their complacency. So Jesus did what he had to do.

It's important to realize, by the way, that the reason tax collectors and prostitutes were leading the line to heaven wasn't because of their sins. It was because of their sorrow. The people Jesus had in mind when he mentioned this--like Zacchaeus and Mary Magdalene perhaps--had repented from their sinful behaviour and begun anew. This is why he praises them. And this is what the Lord longs to see everyone doing, including us. Either we need to acknowledge and repent of our sins, or we are placing ourselves in the same category as the pharisaical priests and elders. And that's definitely not the place to be.



Sat Evening: 7pm John Ward (1st A),

Harry Kearney (A), Michael Scanlon (A) also his wife

Brigid & son Stephen (A),

Sun: 9.30am William Schempp (M.M.),

Marie Carroll (B.R.), also deceased

members of the Carroll & Donoghue Families

Sun: 11.30am Robert Burch (1stA),

Edward Kelly (M.M.), Grandsons Conor, Lee & Charlie

Mon: 9.30am

Tues: 9.30am Mass of Intentions (for Family),

Wed: 9.30am Mass of Thanksgiving to The Sacred

Heart, Margaret (Mary) Maughan (M.M.)

Thurs: 9.30am

Fri: 9.30am November Altar List

Contact Details

Fr. Joe Jones (Moderator) 101 848 5262
ioe@bonnybrookparish.ie

PARISH OFFICE

2 01 848 5262

Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30am - 12.30pm (Office is closed on Wednesdays)

Website: www.bonnybrookparish.ie **Facebook:** Bonnybrook Parish.

Mass Times

Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm

Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am Monday - Friday: 9.30am Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS

Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm



St. Joseph's Family Centre

Tuesday the 3rd October 10.00am to 12.30

All Welcome

COLLECTIONS FOR 24TH SEPT 2017

COMMON FUND € 500 SHARE €297



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Celebrating Significant Wedding Anniversaries

(World Meeting of Families 2018):



If you were married in 1992, 1977, 1967, 1957 or

with-Renewal-of-vows

1947 you are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving in a number of parish Churches on Sunday 15th October, celebrating with those who are marking Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond and Platinum Wedding Anniversaries. This is also for people who are widowed. Celebrations take place on the 15th in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Mourne Road, Drimangh, at 12 noon, St. Gabriel's Parish, Dollymount at 10.30am, and St. Brigid's Church, Blanchardstown 10.30am in Holy Redeemer in Bray at 12 noon, and in the Church on the Holy Family Aughrim Street at 11.30am Full details here <a href="http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Resources/Preparatory-Events/A-Mass-of-Thanksgiving-Resources/Preparatory-Events/A-Mass-of-Thanksgiving-Parish County-Events/A-Mass-of-Thanksgiving-Parish Coun



MEETINGS FOR THE DIFFERENT GROUPS IN OUR PARISH.Please Note the following dates for meetings have been arranged.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST.

Monday, 2nd October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Tuesday, 3rd October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory. **BAPTISM TEAM**

Thursday, 5th October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

FUNERAL TEAM & BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP

Monday, 9th October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.



If you can't make the above meetings and you wish to remain on the list please let Fr. Joe or the Office know so that we can keep your name on the Rota. Thank You.



If you would like to become involved in any of the above please let Fr. Joe or the Office know.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

My co-workers and I have been debating the death penalty and whether or not it should be part of our justice system. Why are so many people who claim to be pro-life believers in favour of it?

ANSWER:

The issues of crime and punishment are never easy because so many factors influence people and how they view problems and solutions. Increased violence, loss of life, cost to taxpayers and the community at large, and the manoeuvrings of lawyers and courts only add fuel to the fire. When bad things happen in your neighbourhood or to your home or to you, you want relief. Any normal person would feel that way. A pro-life view does not insulate anyone from the bad effects of criminal behaviour. Innocent people are hurt every day and it may seem as though those who cause the pain get away with it, or get off easy.

The death penalty is not excluded by Church teaching. The state has the right to impose penalties that are commensurate with the crime as well as to defend itself from further harm (Catechism of the Catholic Church, §2266). When possible, punishment should help correct the offender, offering a chance of redemption, which is why the pope and bishops have called for an end to the death penalty.

INSPIRATION

Saying and doing are two very different things. Often, we say we are going to do the right thing but then we do not. We get distracted by a self-focused concern, apathy, fear, and a number of other excuses. The choice to act with virtue is always before us. The ability to choose is one of God's gifts. Fully living the Gospel means that we choose to "practice what we preach." Faith without action serves no purpose.

RTE Religious

Fr. Joe will celebrate a TV Mass on Sunday, 8th October in RTE Studios at 11am with the Holy Faith Congregation as they commemorate the 150 anniversary of the services they provide throughout the world.

Do watch in.

McGUILL'S FUNERAL DIRECTORS

PH: 01 - 685 43 33

FLOWERS, HEADSTONES AND PEACE OF MIND





DEDICATED PROFESSIONALS PROVIDING A PERSONAL SERVICE TO YOU, 24 HOURS A DAY, 365 DAYS A YEAR





Sign up to have our weekly parish bulletin emailed to you at www.parishesonline.com



Vat/Tax/Audits/Subcontractors **Back to Work Scher** Phone Nicole/ Padraig 8486816/8479446 email.nicole@fmcaccountants.ie www.fmcaccountants.ie First Meeting Free





Oscar Traynor Road, Coolock, Dublin 5 01-8486547

Springdale Rd, Raheny, Dublin 5 01-8484933

Providing funeral care to the families of Dublin for over 60 years



Rose Taylor

- Curtains Blinds Fabrics Upholstery • Wallpaper • Poles & Accessories T: 01 847 9342 T: 01 867 5227
 - E: info@rosetaylorcurtains.com W: www.rosetaylorcurtains.com





- Supplying Quality Irish Candles and Church Supplies to the Diocese since 1910
- Traditional Handmade Beeswax Candles available at factory prices
- Tel: 01-8098600



MARIAN PILGRIMAG

THE HOLY LAND

Following in the Footsteps of Jesus Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Galilee, Nazareth

> 8 nights - €1355pps October 2nd, 8th, 9th & 16th 2017

> > 9 nights - €1575pps November 21st 2017

FULLY ESCORTED PACKAGED PILGRIMAGE - SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS - SERVICES OF MARIAN PILGRIMAGES REP. ON THE GROUND - LOCAL ENGLISH SPEAKING GUIDES - SEA OF GALILEE BOAT TRIP. - TAXES, TIPS & INSURANCE

(01) 878 8159 | WWW.MARIAN.IE



Advertisers:

Advertising Locally is more important than ever!

Encourage customers to help keep Coolock a vibrant, thriving community by doing **YOUR business locally**

If you would like to advertise please contact **Christine on**

086 813 79 24

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE

Your Community is Looking!

Call Chris: 086 813 79 24







Tel: 01 - 871 2650









Contact: Collie McDonald on 085 122 2157 www.parnellsgaa.ie



Saturday





FITZGERALD FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Channel Road, Rush, Co. Dublin

Telephone: 01 - 843 8772 / 01 - 843 8279

Email: fitzgeraldfuneraldirectors@gmail.com





Liturgical Publications of Ireland Limited For AD information Please Call: Christine 086 813 79 24 or 1850 790000