

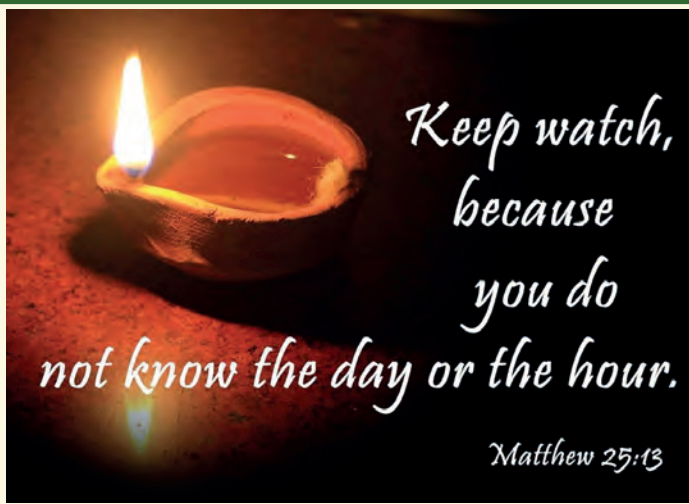
BONNYBROOK
St. Joseph the Artisan Church



32nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“But the wise ones replied, ‘No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.’”
Matthew 25:9

PARISH NEWSLETTER



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"But the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps." The foolish versus the wise. Today's parable sets these two groups in stark contrast to one another. Two crowds of young women wait for a wedding feast. One group comes prepared for the unexpected, the other just assumes everything will go according to schedule. But it doesn't! The Bridegroom is late, and the foolish virgins are left out in the dark--literally--while the wise ones enjoy the feast inside.

The lesson here is not just about having foresight and gathering the corresponding equipment. It's about being ready for the second coming of Christ. Jesus himself is the "Bridegroom." Traditionally we refer to the Church as the "Bride of Christ" and we, as the people of God who constitute the Church, are even now awaiting the real feast, the culmination of time when Jesus returns. But are we standing among the wise or the foolish as we wait? Jesus tells us today, "Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Are we spiritually awake? Do we have extra oil to see us through, or are we hitting the bottom of the barrel and running on spiritual fumes so to speak? Do we think it's enough to do the bare minimum as we wait for Christ--stepping into church without really being present, or calling ourselves Christian without really taking up the challenge of the cross? In order to avoid standing outside the feast with the foolish, we will want to make sure we fill our flasks with oil or, in other words, fill our hearts with the love of God, fill our minds with his word and his teachings, and fill our souls with the virtues that unite us to his will. If we stock up on these important supplies, we can count ourselves among the wise!

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



- Sat Evening: 7pm** Chrissie Deegan (B.R.), Peter Mitchel (A), Lorraine Gunnery (M.M.)
- Sun: 9.30am**
- Sun: 11.30am** Eileen & Angela Histon (A), Christopher Doyle & Son Joseph (A), Baby Michael Carolan (A), Myra Keogh (A), John Boyle (A)
- Mon: 9.30am** Fr. John Foster R.I.P.
- Tues: 9.30am**
- Wed: 9.30am** Eamonn (Ted) Kenna (A)
- Thurs: 9.30am** Mary & Joseph O'Boyle (A)
- Fri: 9.30am** Thomas Coates R.I.P.

With Heartfelt Sympathy

To the family of the late
Annie Hanlon R.I.P.



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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

COLLECTIONS FOR 5TH NOV 2017

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ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD

On the Tuesday 14th November, Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will ordain Deacons James Daly & Bill O' Shaughnessy as Priests for the Archdiocese of Dublin. Their Ordinations will take place on the Feast Day of Saint Laurence O' Toole in St. Marys Pro Cathedral at 11.00am. The community of faith in Dublin has nurtured and sustained Bill and James in their journey. As they prepare for ordination, to a ministry of witness to Jesus Christ, Archbishop Martin has asked the Priests and people of the Diocese remember James and Bill in prayer at Masses over the coming weeks.



The next meeting of the PPC will take place on Thursday, 16th November at 7.30pm. Parishioners are invited to make suggestions to the PPC for consideration at this meeting. You can send your suggestions to the Chairperson by email at chairperson@bonnybrookparish.ie or leave your suggestion in the Parish Office or give it to Fr. Joe.

ROTUNDA HOSPITAL – SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE:

The Board, Master and Staff of the Rotunda Hospital invite you to a Service of Remembrance for people who have lost a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or neonatal death. People who have been recently bereaved or long ago bereaved are welcome to attend.

The Service will be held in the **Pro-Cathedral on Sunday, 19th November 2017 at 3.00pm**. Afterwards light refreshments will be served in the Gresham Hotel. If you have any queries please contact the Hospital Chaplain on 01 8171700.

FUNERAL TEAM & BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP TRAINING

Thursday, 7th Dec 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory. If you would like to be involved in the **Funeral Ministry** of our parish or in the **Bethany Support Group** please let us know and come along to an evening of training.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

November is called the month of All Souls. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

ANSWER:

November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory. While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing towards perfection before meeting our perfect God face-to-face.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death.

INSPIRATION

Are we ready and prepared for what life will ask of us? The answers to life's challenges, especially those that involve purpose, meaning, and happiness are not found in material things or by searching the Internet. Many things in life require a journey of the heart and the acquisition of wisdom. When one acquires wisdom, one acquires priceless wealth. Sadly, pursuing wisdom is not valued by our world these days. Examining our lives, pondering the bigger questions, reflecting on where we have been and where we are going, are invaluable exercises that not only bring us wisdom but open our eyes to God's presence. Those who seek wisdom shall not be disappointed and will always be ready for whatever comes their way.

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