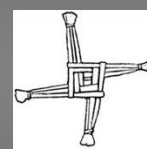
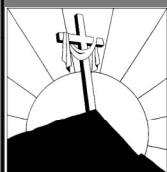


St. Brigid's Parish, Killester, Dublin 5

Parish Newsletter Easter — April 2018



Living in Easter Hope

When Jesus died, his disciples lost hope and were stricken with sadness. However, when he rose again all changed. What seemed like a defeat became a victory! It is not simply that Jesus rose again from the dead. His very dying such a cruel death, though he had done no wrong and was without sin, was a victory of love, a victory of solidarity with all those who suffer in our world.

What this means is that we cannot judge success or failure. We face all kinds of difficulties and failures in our lives. None of us can escape death, but for us death is not the end. Instead it is a new beginning. Jesus has overcome death itself.

With gratitude for your prayers and condolences

I am deeply indebted to all who expressed condolences on the death of my nephew, Andreas O'Keeffe (37), who was killed with six companions members of the US Air National Guard when the rescue helicopter they were flying crashed in Iraq on 15th March. So many of you have promised prayers for his heart-broken parents, and family. I am so grateful.

Over recent years Andreas served in Iraq three times, and was also deployed to Afghanistan, the Horn of Africa, and Texas during Hurricane Harvey in 2017 when over a hundred people lost their lives in the storm.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

Fr. Liam

World Meeting of Families 21 to 26 August 2018

POPE FRANCIS HAS REGISTERED TO ATTEND, NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO DO SO!

As announced a few weeks ago, Pope Francis will come to Ireland for 25th/26th August and attend the Festival of Families in Croke Park on Saturday 25th and the Closing Mass in the Phoenix Park on Sunday 26th. Tickets for these two events will be free.

However, attendance at all World Meeting of Families 2018's events will require tickets/registration.

While some events will be free; others will be subject to a fee.

Types of Registrations/Tickets:

- Individual Adult Registration
- Family Group Registration (any number of adults, any number of Children)
- Group Registration (Parish/Diocese, Organisation)

Book your tickets:

- Congress Registration + Opportunity of booking tickets for Festival of Families and Final Mass
- Festival of Families tickets only
- Closing Mass tickets only

WMOF2018 Office: Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3
Phone (01) 567 6800 Email: info@worldmeeting2018.ie

Crosscare Annual Youth Services Church Collection

The Crosscare Annual Youth Services Church Collection took place at all Masses last weekend on Saturday / Sunday 17th & 18th March. Crosscare are extremely grateful for all who generously donated on the day. Given the bad weather over the weekend, many parishioners may not have been able to attend Mass. Should you wish to make a donation to Crosscare they have advised that they can accept donations over the phone on (01) 836 0011, or by post to:

Crosscare, 2ND floor, Clonliffe College, Drumcondra, Dublin 3.

Heating Project Update

The Heating Installation Committee has met on several occasions during February and March and has discussed several options for a suitable heating system for our Church. Their deliberations will continue into April and May this year.

There have been a number of visits to several churches to ascertain at first hand if their systems would be ideal for us. An initial meeting has also taken place with a representative from the Building Services function of Archbishop's House who indicated that they will give us all the help and advice where necessary. Overall, I consider a good start has been made and I will continue to keep you informed of progress.

In the meantime, I am seeking Parishioners with experience of managing fund raising activities who would like to join with me in helping to raise the necessary funds for this project. If you are interested in helping out you can contact me in the Parish office or, alternatively, you can contact Colm Gormley at 087-1260179 to discuss your ideas in this regard. *Fr. Liam*

CHOOSE LIFE!

The *Choose Life 2018* newsletter promotes the Church's position on unborn human life and encourages family discussion on this important subject.

You will find issues of the newsletter and much more of interest on the website www.catholicbishops.ie or on www.dublindiocese.ie



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please note that Eucharistic Adoration on **Mondays and Tuesdays** from 10.30 am until 3.00 pm each day has moved into the Adoration Chapel on right hand side of Church near Saint Brigid's altar, for the winter months. Adoration on **Thursday** night will continue to take place in our Church from 7.00 pm until 8.00 pm. If you are prepared to "watch for one hour" per week you will be very welcome. We also invite you to spend some time – even a few minutes- in prayer and reflection.

Each Thursday night for the coming months we will be praying for peace in the Middle East and for the Pope's intentions.

All Parishioners are welcome.

Recently Deceased—please pray for the souls of:

Catherine Stokes - Ennafort
James O'Regan - Brookwood Park
John Potts - Maryville Road



Tom O'Regan - Howth Road
Rosaleen Coughlan - Brookwood Rise

Baptisms—we are happy to welcome into our Catholic Community:

Jack Eviston Blake - Ribh Ave
Cian Macklin Crossan - The Coast
Callie Vather - St. Brigid's Lawn
Annabelle Cumiskey - Calgary Canada

Patrick Bolger - Danieli Road
Aoibhín O'Grady - Dunluce Road
Matthew Lanigan - Dunluce Road

Parish Resource Centre News

Killester Mens's Shed

We are delighted to say that our Men's Shed is up and running. They are now into their second month and had their first outing last Thursday to Dublinia which was a great success.

The Men's Shed meet every Thursday here in the Centre at 10 am. If you are interested in the Men's Shed or would like more information, you can contact them on **087 115 4205** or email: **kmschq@gmail.com**

Our Friends in KARE

KARE Social Services is a locally based community service that provides meals on wheels in the following areas: Killester, Artane, Raheny, Edenmore, Donaghmede and Kilbarrack. Would you like to avail of our meals on wheels service?

They also have community based kitchens in St. Anne's Court, St. Brigid's Court, Rosevale Court, Raheny Court and Millwood Court, where you can have a hot nutritious 3 course meal with tea and coffee prepared to the highest standard by our chef, on Monday to Friday between 12.30 and 1.30.

For further information please contact Catherine on **01 805 8574**.

Coffee Dock News

We are still looking for volunteers for Saturday Mornings in the Coffee Dock where the hours are 10.00 – 12.00 & 12.00 – 2.00. Volunteering is a great way to get out and meet new friends whilst helping out in the community. Contact Karol **01 853 4030**

St. Brigid's Parish Shop

There is now in our shop a large selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards together with a wide range of rosary beads, rosettes, prayer books and other items associated with these sacraments on display together with Mass cards, Mass Bouquets and signed Mass cards.

So why not call into the shop and see this lovely display for yourselves before you go anywhere else. The shop is located at the car park side of our Church. *All proceeds go to Parish funds.*

We have also put in place at our Shrines, Prayer and Novena booklets for the different devotional prayers and ceremonies taking place in the Church.


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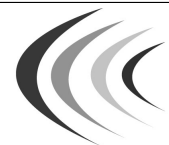
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