



Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Parish Newsletter

4th/5th March 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

The gospel of the Transfiguration features this Sunday, it is always placed at this point in Lent. St. Matthew's version is used this year. The ascent to the top of the mountain illustrated the high point of faith—reaching the summit of belief.

“Peter spoke to Jesus, ‘Lord,’ he said, ‘it is wonderful for us to be here,; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah,’ He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, ‘This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.’

But there is a mixture of highs and lows in life, and this is referred to when the apostles descend the mountain. Lent provides a focus to assess where we have come from and to readjust if necessary to continue this journey.

In faith, we do not build a tent to capture the experience once and for all. Rather, we allow it to form the foundation and basis for the rest of the journey.

Our Lenten talks continue on Tuesday on the theme of Apocalypse Tomorrow? Apocalypse is a word that can cause fear but its true meaning is an unfolding, a revealing of mysteries. This week Sean Goan will speak on *“Faith in Jesus Christ and apocalyptic thinking today”*. It should be interesting and stimulating, as was last Tuesday's talk by Dr. Julia McKinley on how apocalyptic texts in the Bible open up multiple insights.

Fr. Liam

PARISH BABY AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP



When: Monday Mornings
during School Term

Where: Our Lady's Hall
(Back entrance,
SuperValu carpark)

Time: 10.30 am – 12.00pm

Fr Willie Doyle, SJ

This week marks the 150 anniversary of the birth of Fr Willie Doyle, born on 3rd March 1873 and Baptised on 13th March 1873 in Dalkey. Further information on Fr Willie Doyle can be found at www.williedoyle.org



SUNDAY CONCERT IN OUR CHURCH

Dun Laoghaire Choral society with conductor John Doyle and consort are performing 'Bach and Beyond' a celebration of the brilliance of JS Bach, Tellemann and Vivaldi.

The concert is on Sunday 12th March at 4:30pm. Tickets €15 at the door.

REMINDER

Meeting for all our **Parish Ministry Teams** in Our Lady's Hall on Saturday 11th March from 11:00 am to 1:00pm

BACH TO SCHOOL WORKSHOP

Bach to School is a workshop for Leaving Certificate Music students on J.S. Bach's cantata, Jesu, der du meine Seele (BWV 78), which is on the curriculum.

Date: Sunday 12 March 2023

Time: 3 PM (15:00) (duration approx. 50 minutes)

Venue: Church of the Assumption, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Tickets: €5 @ <https://tinyurl.com/bachtoschoolDLCS>

Presenter: John Doyle

Ticket includes entrance to our *Bach and Beyond* concert at 4:30 PM, which includes a full performance of Cantata 78.

MARCH DATES

- 9th-** First Confessions for Rathdown School/ St. Patrick's NS 7.30pm
- 12th-** Do This in Memory Mass for Communion Children at 10:15am
- 16th-** St Patricks Day Vigil Mass 7:30pm
- 17th-** St Patricks Day Mass - 8:45am, 10:15am, 12pm
- 26th-** Mass for Confirmation Children at 10:15am

DALKEY INTERCHURCH LENTEN COURSE 2023

APOCALYPSE TOMORROW?

- 7 March; **Sean Goan**—relating apocalyptic threats and promises today.
14 March; **Eric Hughes & Paudie Holly** — Young peoples attitude to End Times thinking today.
21 March; **Fr Liam Lacey, Revd Ruth Elmes and Jake Erickson** - Defining the issues for Christians today and challenges for the Church.

Our Ladys Hall @ 7:30pm

RECOMMENDED READING FOR LENT

The Office of Mission & Ministry recommended reading for Lent is Aidan Donaldson's book *The Beatitudes of Pope Francis*. This would be a great way to journey through Lent, either through personal reflection or by gathering with others to share your thoughts, guided by the book. Its handy six chapters would provide enough manageable material for each week in Lent.

Available from Veritas for €7.99

www.veritasbooksonline.com



ST PATRICKS DAY INVITATION

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in St. Joseph's Pastoral Centre Glasthule from 10:30 am to 1pm in aid of the "Forgotten Irish Emigrants" in London.

Irish and Bailey coffee's, cakes and treats served throughout the celebrations. All proceeds with no expenses will go to the London Irish Centre, St. Gabriel's Hostel, Archway and The Irish Chaplaincy, Charity No. 1149787. More information call 086 3442533. All Welcome.



Trócaire Boxes are available in the Church Porches. This year's campaign is entitled: **Hold fast to Love and Justice** (Hosea 12:6). It focuses on the challenges facing some families and communities in Somalia, where Trócaire works with local partner organisations on the ground.

Priests of the Parish: Fr Liam Lacey – 01 4453321

Fr Declan Gallagher – 01 2859212

Sacristan: Finbarr Madden – 01 2859975 (9:00 – 11:00am)

Secretary: Nikki Redmond – 01 2859418 (9:30am – 12:30pm)

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PERSONAL BELONGINGS SECURITY We would like to remind Parishioners to not leave handbags / personal belongings unattended in the Church at any time.

SCRABBLE is on in Our Lady's Hall on Mondays at 10:30am.

All most welcome.

NEWSLETTER

If you wish to have an item added to the newsletter, please email the parish office before 1pm on Thursday - office@dalkeyparish.ie or Telephone 01 2859418

Sunday Masses: 8:45am,
10:15am (Family Mass),
12:00pm

Vigil Mass: 6:00pm Saturday
(Taize/Gospel Choir)

Daily Mass: 10:00am.

The rosary is said after 10:00am Mass on weekdays.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Mondays after 10.00 Mass until 4.00 pm (Except on public holidays when exposition takes place on Tuesday)

For Information on Baptisms, Communions, Confirmations and Weddings, please refer to our web site.

FOR MASS CARDS, MASS INTENTIONS, CERTIFICATES, BAPTISM FORMS

PLEASE CONTACT THE SACRISTY on 01 2859975 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am

MASS CARDS are also available in the Parish Office

from 9:30 am—12:30 pm weekdays.

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