

CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

10th May 2009 Fifth Sunday of Easter Cycle B Week 1

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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm Pauline Singleton (Month's Mind)
	8.30am Pro Populo
	10.00am William Baker (Anniv.)
	11.30am John McKenna (1st Anniv.)
	5.00pm Barry Curran
Mon.	7.30am John Dominic and Maura O'Brien (Anniv.)
	10.00am Nuala Monks (Anniv.)
Tues.	7.30am Billy & Ciaran Stanbridge (Anniv.)
	10.00am Alfred & Frances Hogan and deceased members of family
Wed.	7.30am Robert Aylward (Rec. Dec'd)
	10.00am John & Sean Hickey (Anniv.)
Thurs.	7.30am James & Rosanna Plunkett (Anniv.)
	10.00am Bill Staunton (Anniv.)
Fri.	7.30am Robbie McMahon (Rec. Dec'd)
	10.00am John & Rosaleen McKenna (Anniv.)
Sat.	11.00 First Holy Communion

Liturgy Meeting will be held on Tuesday next 12th May in the Candle Room at 10.30am.

Next Sunday's Readings : Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48. Ps 97. 1 Jn 4:7-10. Jn 15:9-17

The Seafield Singers Clontarf present **An Evening of Music & Song** in aid of the St. John the Baptist Church of Ireland Spire Restoration Fund on Friday 15th May at 8pm. Tickets €15. Telephone Joe Lonergan for details on 8338711.

Questions People Ask

Q. What did Jesus mean when he said, "You are pruned already by the word I have spoken to you"?

A. The vine needs a springtime pruning to lop off the wild, fruitless branches, and a later pruning which favours the final development of the richest clusters of grapes. Applied to the followers of Jesus, the first pruning refers to those who cut themselves off when they did not accept the word of Jesus that he would give us his flesh to eat and his blood to drink. Peter expressed the faith of the true disciples: 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the message of eternal life' (John 6:64-68).

Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap

We remember the girls and boys who are preparing for **First Holy Communion**. Next Saturday 16th May the girls from Scoil Áine and the boys and girls from Springdale National School will receive their First Holy Communion at 11am Mass.

A **Mass for Grandparents** will be celebrated in our Parish Church on Sunday 17th May at the 10am Family Mass. The Family Mass team would like to invite all grandparents, along with their families to this special Mass.

You are invited to join in one hour of music and prayer in the presence of the **Blessed Sacrament** on Monday 11th May at 8pm in Saint Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough Street.

St. Michael's House thank all who contributed to their recent collection which amounted to €1470. Sincere thanks to all.

Bealtaine Festival Celebrating Creativity in Older Age. A walking tour "Opening the Door on St. Anne's Park" will take place on Tuesday 12th May at 11am starting from the Raheny Parish Church. Duration approximately 1.5hours. Walkers, of all speeds, are most welcome.

An Information Meeting for parents of prospective students from senior classes in primary schools will be held on Monday 18th May at 8pm in **St. Paul's College**.



Sincere thanks to all parishioners who contributed to last weekend's **SHARE** collection which totalled €2030. This weekend a special collection to support the formation of **Students for the Priesthood** replaces the SHARE collection. Your support is very much appreciated.

We welcome to our parish community, **Cillian Thomas Harte, Jason Kenneth Whelan and Milly Kelly**, all who were baptized recently.

Congratulations to **Bairbre Keogh and Paul Duffy** who were married last week in our Parish Church. We wish them many happy years together.

Congratulations to Fr. Cathal Price c.c. from Kilbarrack/Foxfield parish who is celebrating the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood. A special mass will be celebrated at 6.30pm on Saturday 23rd May in Kilbarrack to mark this occasion. All are welcome.

A one day retreat praying and reflecting with **Mary, full of Grace, Mother and Disciple** will be held on Saturday 16th May from 10am to 4pm in St. Clement's Faith Centre, Drumcondra. Telephone 087 7989301 for more details.

Ageing with Confidence Programme Information Day on 14th May at 2pm in St. Brendan's Parish Hall, Coolock. Contact Bernie on 8484789 for details.