## Sunday 10th April 2016 Third Sunday of Easter

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A Mass of Hope and Remembrance for parents who have lost children, before or after birth, will be celebrated here in our church at the 6p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday next, 16th April. All are welcome.

The **Service of Light,** for all the boys and girls who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year, will take place in our parish church at 7:30p.m. on Tuesday next, 12th April.





Congratulations to **Anne Marie Kelly** and **David Toolan** who were married in our church last weekend. We wish them a long, happy and healthy life together.

The **Raheny Church Choir** is looking for male and female members. The choir sings at the 11.30a.m. Mass each Sunday and practises every Monday evening at 7.30p.m. For further info, contact David on 087 6314242.

Have you an hour to spare? **KARE Social Services** are looking for volunteers for their *Meals on Wheels* Service. If you could help one day a week, from 12p.m. to 1p.m., locally, it would be greatly appreciated. For further info, contact (01) 8058574.

The recent publication *Amoris Laetitia, The Joy of Love: On Love in the Family* written by Pope Francis & welcomed by Archbishop Martin can be downloaded from *www.dublindiocese.ie* 



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## THE RESURRECTION

What happened that made the disciples believe such an amazing event? Like most Jews, they believed in the resurrection of the righteous at the end of time. St. Paul in his description of what happened to him on the road to Damascus is the only one to give an indication of what happened to the disciples. He says that he had been reached by Jesus, the risen one, who took control of him: 'God has revealed his Son to me.' Following that, Paul's life was totally changed.

Some 30 to 40 years later, the writers of the gospels recorded a collection of experiences of the early Christians, experiences of the unexpected appearances of Jesus after his death. The purpose of the sacred writers was to make everyone understand that the life and death of Jesus was to be understood in a new dimension. One might say they are cathetical resources to help people explore aspects of Jesus' resurrection.

The core of these resurrection stories is a personal encounter with Jesus. They are full of life and these meetings with Jesus transformed the lives of the disciples.

Monsignor Colm Gallagher

## Mass Intentions for this week

6.00p.m. Sat: John & Kathleen Forrestal (Anniv.) David Brennan (Anniv.) 8.30a.m. Michael Hayden (Rec. Dec'd) Sun: 10.00a.m. Joan & Michael Dowling (Anniv.) Jim Healy (Anniv.) 11.30a.m. Frances McGuirk (Anniv.) Mon: 10.00a.m. Requiem Mass for Arthur Byrne Tues: 10.00a.m. Sheila Murphy (Anniv.) Wed: 10.00a.m. Nora Hussey (Rec. Dec'd) Deceased members of the Thurs: 10.00a.m. O'Sullivan Family Fri: 10.00a.m. Carmel Kennedy (Rec. Dec'd)

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of parishioner **Nicholas McKone** whose funeral took place in our parish church this week. We also remember **Arthur Byrne** whose funeral Mass will be on Monday next at 10a.m. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

*Next Sunday's Readings (Fourth Sunday of Easter):* Acts 13:14, 43-52. Ps 99:1-3, R/ v3. Apoc 7:9, 14-17. Jn 10:27-30

All services from our Parish Church are streamed live on our website *www.rahenyparish.ie*...just click on the *Watch Us Live* tab. The Parish Newsletter is also published weekly on the parish website.....click on the *Parish Bulletin* tab.

The Churchgate collection after all Masses this weekend is in aid of Raheny Tidy Towns.

Next weekend, there will be a collection at all Masses for **Dublin Diocesan Students Preparing for the Priesthood.** It will replace the **SHARE** collection.