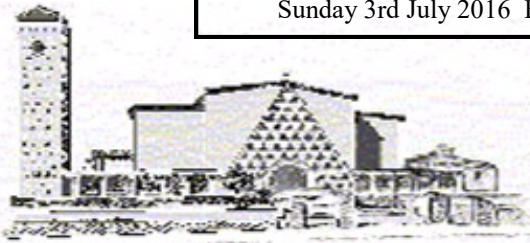


## CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

Sunday 3rd July 2016 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C Week 2



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### MUSINGS

‘Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.’ (Luke 12:13)

Most parents have to deal occasionally with fighting children. One child has stolen the other’s toy, so the parent has to arbitrate. Parents learn to intervene in such a way that all of life will not be spent supplying such judgments. They hope their children will learn that it’s usually easier to sort things out instead of relying on another authority to do it.

The aggrieved brother in this Gospel had evidently never learned this lesson, so he comes to a figure of authority to sort things for him. Jesus, the wise master, refuses to be drawn in. Instead, he issues a ruling that might apply to each brother: Beware of avarice, there’s no security in possessions. I wonder what happened to the complaining brother. Did he seek another authority who might give a more favourable judgment? Or did he listen, take Jesus’ words to heart and follow? Jesus, help me to be content with my life. Help me to trust in your loving care, every step of the way.

*Fr Bernard Cotter  
Bandon, Co Cork*

**We are delighted to announce that Fr Paul has received his letter of appointment to serve as curate in our parish from Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council we wish to assure Fr Paul of our continued prayers as he continues his ministry among us.**

*Veronica Sweeney, Chairperson  
Parish Pastoral Council*

### Feast Days this Week

Monday 1st August - St. Alphonsus Ligouri,  
bishop and Doctor of the Church

Thursday 4th August - St. John Vianney, priest

Saturday 6th August - The Transfiguration of the  
Lord

The **Novena to St. John Vianney** (the Curé of Ars) who is also the Patron Saint of Priests will take place at St. John Vianney Parish Church, Ardlea road, Artane from 4th to 12th August. Ten different local priests will be speaking at the 10am weekday masses, and the Holy Hours at 7.30pm on Thursday 4th and 11th August. After each service there will be Veneration of the parish’s two relics of the saint and confession will be available. All are welcome.

*Next Sunday’s Readings* : Wis 18:6-9. Ps 32:1,  
12, 18-20, 22, R/ v12. Heb 11:1-2, 8-19. Lk  
12:32-48

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Vigil</b>	6.00pm	Willie Lynch (1st Anniv) Tommy Daly (1st Anniv)
<b>Sun</b>	8.30am	Catherine Bennett (Anniv.)
	10.00am	Pat & Betty Lynch and family
	11.30am	Patrick Nolan (1st Anniv.) Tommy Cooney and deceased family members
<b>Mon.</b>	11.00am	Nancy Collins (Rec. Dec’d)
<b>Tues.</b>	10.00am	Funeral of Lucy Dale R.I.P.
<b>Wed.</b>	10.00am	Health Intention
<b>Thurs.</b>	10.00am	Karen O’Connor (1st Anniv.)
<b>Fri.</b>	10.00am	Altar List of the Dead

**Please note that mass on Bank Holiday  
Monday, 1st August will be at 11am.**

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Nancy Collins** whose funeral took place this week and **Lucy Dale** whose funeral will take place on Tuesday 2nd. We also remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

### Collections

This weekend’s Church Gate Collection is in aid of the Dublin Diocesan Lourdes Invalid Fund. This pilgrimage will take place in September. Please support this worthwhile collection and help send a sick pilgrim to Lourdes. All donors become Associate Members of the Pilgrimage.... Your prayers and intentions go to Lourdes with the pilgrim.