Sunday 16th October 2016 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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On Monday 7th November at 7:30p.m. a Mass will be celebrated for all whose funerals took place from our Church during the year. Anyone who lost a loved one during the past year is invited to let the Parish Office know the name of the deceased so that it can be placed on the list of remembrance and a candle provided in their memory. Contact the Parish Office on 8313232 (mornings only) by 6th November.

Mass Cards for all occasions are available in the Parish Office, 10a.m. to 12p.m. weekdays.

Raheny parish is currently recruiting a **Parish Sacristan.** The role is offered initially on a one year, fixed term/part time basis. Letters of application with enclosed C V should be posted to Rev. Fr Michael Cullen P.P., 5 St Assam's Road West, Raheny, Dublin 5. The closing date for receipt of completed applications is Friday 21st October 2016. Further details on *www.rahenyparish.ie*

Volunteers are sought for the **Parish Pastoral Council.** The Council meets approximately ten times per year and organises all aspects of the pastoral life of the parish. If you are interested in becoming involved, please leave your name in to the Parish Office.

A Continuation Course (five sessions) in **Ignatian Spirituality** will commence on Monday 24th October at 7:30p.m. in the Old Baptistry. Remaining course dates are 14th Nov., 28th Nov., 12th Dec. & 9th Jan. All welcome.



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MUSINGS

God does not need reminding

I have just paused to notice my breathing. The heart is working away. Both are steady and normal. The normality almost deadens my awareness of God's creative presence giving me life with all its blessings, opportunities, challenges and difficulties. It sometimes takes the absence of one of His gifts to alert us to our total dependence on God. In times of crisis, we pleadingly voice our needs, even our panic, with a persistence that seems discourteous to our benefactor. This persistence in intercessory prayer is strongly encouraged by Jesus in this weekend's Gospel. There, the carefully crafted parable has a deeper message than just bullying God into changing his mind. God does not need reminding, but we do. Highlighting our needs is a reminder of all we have received. Such remembering evokes gratitude that leads to praise and worship culminating in happiness.

Jesus does not explain the parable. He expects us to mine it. Some miners find diamonds.

Fr. Tom Clancy, Cork

The **Churchgate Collection** after all Masses this weekend is in aid of the **St. Vincent De Paul Society.**Next weekend, the annual collection for **Mission Sunday** will take place at all Masses.

Mass Intentions for this week

6.00p.m. Dolores Keating (M. Mind) Sat: Ellen Morgan (Anniv.) Bridget Doyle (Anniv.) 8.30a.m. Special Intention Sun: 10.00a.m. Sarah-Kate Ferriter (Anniv.) Miceál & Pearl Gallagher 11.30a.m. (Anniv.) Esther Crimmins (Anniv.) 10.00a.m. Maeve McNally (Rec. Dec'd) Mon: Tues: 10.00a.m. Christy Bollard (Rec. Dec'd) Kieran Brophy (Rec. Dec'd) Patrick Moore (Rec. Dec'd) Wed: 10.00a.m. Nuala Clarke (Rec. Dec'd)

Thurs: 10.00a.m. Maeve McNally (Rec. Dec'd).)

Fri: 10.00a.m. Florence & Ernest Dicker & deceased family members.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of parishioners **Rita McCarthy** and **Agnes O'Dwyer** whose funerals took place in our parish Church this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Next Sunday's Readings (Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time): Eccles 35:12-14, 16-19. Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23, R/v7. Tm 4:6-8, 16-18. Lk 18:9-14.

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.

Ard Scoil La Salle, Raheny is calling on all its past pupils to support its new fundraising event...a buy a brick campaign...to mark its Golden Jubilee in 2018. Further details contact buyabrick@ardscoillasalle.ie