

**NEXT BAPTISM  
PREPARATION MEETING**

- will be at 8pm, on Tuesday, 11th Oct. 2016, for the celebration of Baptism on Sunday, 16th Oct.



**CHURCH OF OUR LADY  
MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE**

Phone: (01) 831 3232  
e-mail: [info@rahenyparish.ie](mailto:info@rahenyparish.ie)  
Website: [www.rahenyparish.ie](http://www.rahenyparish.ie)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Vigil	6.00 pm	Brenda Sutton 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv. Veronica Wolverson M.Mind Mary Hayes Anniv. Liam O'Flynn Anniv. Philip McQuaid Anniv.
Sun.	8.30 am	James Dooley Anniv.
	10.00 am	Jim Hearne Anniv. Bernadette Murphy Anniv.
	11.30 am	Kieran Brophy Rec. Dec. Tommy O'Neill Anniv.
Mon.	10.00am	Maev McNally Rec. Dec. Deceased members of the O'Keefe & Girvan families
Tues.	10.00am	John & Bridget McGettrick Anniv.
Weds.	10.00am	Veronica Durnin Rec. Dec.
Thurs.	10.00am	James & Dorothy Shields Anniv. John Flanagan Anniv.
Fri.	10.00am	Ian Dangerfield Anniv.

**THE DEEP END**

So often when we hear St. Luke's story of the ten lepers, we concentrate on the supposed rudeness of the nine who didn't return, who seem ungrateful for the healing Jesus brought. I wonder, however, if they were being rude or simply doing what they had been told to do. Jesus said 'Go, show yourselves to the priests' and that is what they set out to do. In fact, their initial cry for help would indicate they recognised Jesus as Master, they knew to call out to Him for healing, they trusted Him, and they believed Him when He spoke to them. They even set out in the direction He told them before there was any evidence He had healed them.

St. Luke makes a point of distinguishing the returning leper as a Samaritan/Gentile. Sso, presumably, the other nine were Jewish. They, and Jesus, knew the priests would provide official acknowledgement of their being cleansed, allowing them to re-enter the community in accordance with the Law. They continued on their path to visit the priests so they could resume their lives, go home to their family and friends, and return to worshipping in the synagogue. They were cleansed. But that's not the end of the story. The Samaritan did a turnabout and returned to thank Jesus, to thank God. He, however, was not only cleansed; he was 'made well.'

All ten are healed but the thankful Samaritan is somehow more prophetic. He is grateful for the grace he has just received and, perhaps, lights the way for future Gentiles to respond to the Good News through faith and thankfulness. The thankful Samaritan shows us that gratitude is an essential response to God's mercy. It is essential to our wholeness of mind, body and spirit; it is essential to salvation. To be made well we must add thanksgiving to our faith.

*Julieann Moran (National Secretary, Society of Missionary Children. [julieann@wmi.ie](mailto:julieann@wmi.ie))*

A continuation course in Ignatian Spirituality will commence on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Baptistry.

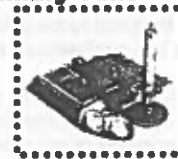
The course dates are Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 14<sup>th</sup> November, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 12<sup>th</sup> December and 9<sup>th</sup> January. All welcome.

*Nationwide*, on 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7:00 p.m. will feature the work of Fr. Paddy Moran, a Raheny native on the missions in Ethiopia. Our church will feature in the programme so be sure to tune in!

You are invited to a **PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY** on Saturday 15th October at 2pm, at the top of St. Brigid's Rd. where it meets the Artane Roundabout (beside the phone boxes). This Rally is one of two hundred taking place across Ireland that day. Please join us (contact [bvm.emmanuel@gmail.com](mailto:bvm.emmanuel@gmail.com))

**READINGS Next Sunday  
29th Sunday Ordinary Time**

Ex 17:8-13  
Ps. 120  
2 Tm. 3:14-4:2  
Lk. 18:1-8



**LITURGY GROUP MEETING**

- will take place on Tuesday 11th October at 10.30am

*Can You Hear Me* is a prayer service (prepared by the Chaplaincy Students of DCU) to be held in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus, Drumcondra at 8.00pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October next to mark International Day for the Eradication of Poverty.

**Rest of the week in Church calendar:**  
Tues. 11th: St. Canice, abbot. St. John XXIII, Pope  
Fri. 14th: National Day of Prayer for Children  
Sat. 15th: St Teresa of Avila