



CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

Sunday 30th April 2017 Third Sunday of Easter Cycle A Week 3

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Krakow 2016 - World Youth Day

Last July, six of us from Raheny travelled to Poland and participated in this amazing pilgrimage. We got the chance to meet with other young, like-minded people and created real friendships and bonds that will last a lifetime. The daily life of the pilgrimage consisted of Catechesis in the morning followed by confession and discussions about the daily topics which we had much fun debating and discussing.

Our favourite day was definitely the day we got to see the man himself - the Pope!! We hiked in 33 degrees, in the blistering sun for 6 hours to a field on the outskirts of Krakow. Here 3 million young people camped out under the stars in Poland eagerly awaiting the Pope's arrival. That night we sang songs, lit candles, said prayers and chatted for hours on end. The next day, the Pope arrived to say the final Mass. He gave us the message to "Carry with us the flame of Christ's merciful love in every sphere of our daily life".

We have all been changed by our experience in Poland and are so grateful that thanks to you all, we got the opportunity to participate in World Youth Day. And of course, a special word of thanks must go to the priests of the parish and the Parish Pastoral Council who were instrumental in spearheading fundraising for the event. We really and truly could not have done it without all their help and support and we are so, so grateful to them.

Sincerely, *Grace Doolan, Hazel Mullen, Orla Dooley, Apurva O'Leary, Paula Quinn and Meabh Delaney.*

The Big April Ask - With the next Synod of Bishops to focus on Young People & the Church, a survey is currently being conducted by Youth Leaders in Ireland. Hosted on Survey Monkey and aimed at young people aged 16-30, it takes just 2 minutes. Please Help!

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/bigaprilask

Many thanks for your generous contributions to last weekend's collections. This weekend's Church Gate Collection is in aid of Servants of the Holy Spirit Missions.

He Has Spoken Through the Prophets...

Viatrores Christi would like to remind you about our second talk in the series on renewal and the future of the Church. This will feature **Fr Mark Patrick Hederman on May 3rd 2017** at 7.00pm to 9.30pm in the Lecture Hall, Belvedere College, Dublin 1. Suggested donation €10. To book your place call 01-8689986 or email : shane@viatroreschristi.com

Tuesday 2nd May - Feast Day of St. Athanasius

Next Sunday's readings : Acts 2:14, 36-41. Ps 22;1-6, R/v 1. 1 Pt 2:20-25. Jn 10:1-10

MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm	Eddie Duffy (Anniv.) Una Dunne (Birthday Remembrance)
Sun	8.30am	James O'Hagan Valerie Brophy (Rec. Dec'd)
	10.00am	John McPhillips (Month's Mind) Eddie Kane (Rec. Dec'd) Frank McAdam (Anniv.)
	11.30am	Ronnie Burke (Anniv.) Morrissey and Kerr families (Anniv.) Seamus & Margaret McCarthy (Anniv.) Eddie Kane (Rec. Dec'd) James O'Hagan (Anniv.)
Mon.	10.00am	Tony Barron (Rec. Dec'd) Special Intention
Tues.	10.00am	Clare and Des Kelly (Anniv.) Willie Barron (Birthday Remembrance)
Wed.	10.00am	Margaret McDaid (Anniv.) John Cunnion (Anniv.)
Thurs.	10.00am	Patrick Tobin (Rec. Dec'd) John McPhillips (Rec. Dec'd)
Fri.	10.00am	Altar List of the Dead

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls **Keavsa Martin and Isabella Croston** whose funerals took place this week. We also remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Many congratulations to the girls and boys from **Scoil Áine and Scoil Assaim and Springdale National School** who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 27th April. May the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit guide them throughout their lives.