

**Sunday 14th May 2017**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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Next meeting of the **Liturgy Group** will take place on **Tuesday 16th May at 2p.m.** in the church.



Congratulations to the pupils of Scoil Áine and Springdale N. S. who will receive their **First Holy Communion** in our parish church on **Saturday next, 20th May 2017.**

On **Sunday next, 21st May 2017**, the Parish Folk Group and fifty parishioners will be participating in Mass to be televised live on RTÉ television at 11:30a.m. The celebrant will be Fr. Paul.

**Maytime Miscellany**, a concert of folk songs, spirituals and the music of Haydn, featuring the Third Day Chorale, will take place at **8p.m.** next **Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May**, in Bayside Church. Tickets are €15 (which includes a donation to the local branch of the St Vincent de Paul Society). For further info, contact 087-7496145.

The **Solemn Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help** will take place in the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Priorswood from **Saturday 20th May to Sunday 28th May**... weekdays at 10a.m. & 7:30p.m.; weekends at 9:30a.m. & 11:30a.m. Preachers are Fr. John Doherty C.S.S.R and Fr. Ciaran O'Callaghan, C.S.S.R. All are welcome.

The **Churchgate Collection** next weekend, 20th & 21st May will be in aid of the local conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



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**MUSINGS**

The Gospel presents Jesus as the guide in life, the 'way, truth and life.' The Christian centre is the person of Christ. Our work for Jesus and our love for people, no matter what our calling in life, flow from this. Mother Teresa was once asked why she did what she did, and she simply said 'for Jesus.' This centre always holds. It cannot be unhinged. It is a deeply personal relationship: we are led by Jesus 'one by one', known by name, not as one of a group.

Prayer is the way of keeping our centre of conviction and motivation strong. All faith needs the balanced approach to Jesus – way, truth and life. Recall people who guided you well in your life. Pray for them. Jesus, our way, guide me in life; Jesus our truth, teach me your meaning of life; Jesus, our life, love me always.  
*Rev. Donal Neary SJ*

All services from our Parish Church are streamed live on our website [www.rahenyparish.ie](http://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.

**Mass Intentions for this week**

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| <b>Sat:</b>   | <b>6.00p.m.</b>  | Patrick O'Reilly (1st Anniv.)<br>John McKenna (Anniv.)  |
| <b>Sun:</b>   | <b>8.30a.m.</b>  | Isabella Croston (Rec. Dec'd)<br>Health Intention   |
|               | <b>10.00a.m.</b> | John McPhillips (Rec. Dec'd)<br>William Baker (Anniv.)  |
|               | <b>11.30a.m.</b> | Brian Healy (M. Mind)<br>Fr. Maurice O'Connor (Anniv.)<br>Rose & Joe Monanan (Anniv.)<br>Betty & Jim Green (Anniv.)<br>Percy & Mary Mooney (Anniv.) |
| <b>Mon:</b>   | <b>10.00a.m.</b> | Special Intention   |
| <b>Tues:</b>  | <b>10.00a.m.</b> | Pat Tobin (Rec. Dec'd)  |
| <b>Wed:</b>   | <b>10.00a.m.</b> | Emily McKeown (Rec. Dec'd)  |
| <b>Thurs:</b> | <b>10.00a.m.</b> | Charlie McMahon (B'day Rem.)  |
| <b>Fri:</b>   | <b>10.00a.m.</b> | Sheila Murphy (Anniv.)<br>Joe Doyle (Anniv.)  |
| <b>Sat:</b>   | <b>11.00a.m.</b> | <b>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</b>   |

**Next Sunday's Readings (Sixth Sunday of Easter):**  
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17. Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20, R/ v 1.  
1 Pt 3:15-18. Jn 14:15-21.

We welcome **Faye Mason, Christopher Murphy** and **Hannah Maher** who were baptised recently into our Christian community. We also remember their parents and godparents at this special time.



The next **Baptism Preparation Meeting** will be held at 8p.m. on Tuesday 16th May in the Church to prepare for the celebration of Baptism on Sunday 21st May 2017.

**A Special Blessing for Expectant Mothers** will take place at 8p.m. on **Thursday 25th May** in Our Lady of Mercy Church, Artane. For further information contact Alice on 8319770 or Eileen on 8319617. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served afterwards.