

CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

Sunday 24th June 2018 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Cycle B Week 4



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If you would be interested in attending the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park in August as part of a Parish Group, please contact the Parish office on 8313232. Tickets for the Papal Mass will be available from Monday and we are planning to run buses from the Parish to the Mass.

Next Sunday's readings : Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24. Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13, R/v 2. 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15. Mk 5:21-43

Feastday this week

Thursday 28th - St. Irenaeus, bishop and martyr. St. Irenaeus lived just after the time of the apostles and knew those who had seen and talked with them. He became Bishop of Lyons, the largest trading centre in Gaul. The note of moderation, the desire to win people to Christianity by love rather than by fear, was apparent in all of Irenaeus' work.

Friday 29th - Ss Peter and Paul, apostles. On this day, traditionally considered in pagan Rome to be its foundation day by Romulus, we celebrate the twin founders of the Church in Rome. St. Peter, originally called Simon, a fisherman who became leader of the apostles and the rock on which the Church is built, died by crucifixion in Rome around the year 64. St. Paul, Saul the Pharisee who became the "Apostle of the Gentiles", was martyred by beheading around 67. Both proclaim with their lives that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

MUSINGS

Far from being timid, morose, acerbic or melancholy, or putting on a dreary face, the saints are joyful and full of good humour. Though completely realistic, they radiate a positive and hopeful spirit. The Christian life is 'joy in the Holy Spirit' (Rom 14:17), for 'the necessary result of the love of charity is joy; since every lover rejoices at being united to the beloved ... the effect of charity is joy'. Having received the beautiful gift of God's word, we embrace it 'in much affliction, with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit' (1 Th 1:6). If we allow the Lord to draw us out of our shell and change our lives, then we can do as Saint Paul tells us: 'Rejoice in the Lord always; I say it again, rejoice!' (Phil 4:4).

Gaudete et Exsultate

Confessions: After 10:00 a.m. Mass on Friday (Except during Funerals) and on request.

Eucharistic adoration after 10am mass on Thursday only. Free Parking

Ordination to the Priesthood Please keep in your prayers at this time, Robert Smyth from the Parish of Knocklyon. Archbishop Martin ordained Robert a deacon in April of 2017. He will be ordained a priest for service in the Archdiocese of Dublin on Friday 29th June (Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul) at 3pm in St. Mary's Pro Cathedral. All are warmly welcome to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm	Nicolas O'Hara (Rec. Dec'd) Colm Traynor (Anniv.)
Sun	8.30am	Tom and Cecilia McDermott (Anniv.) Rose Dardis (Birthday Remembrance)
	10.00am	Itha O'Neill (Rec. Dec'd)
	11.30am	Deceased members of the Kerr and Atkins Families
Mon.	10.00am	Peter Kennedy (Anniv.)
Tues.	10.00am	Health Intentions
Wed.	10.00am	Anna and Michael Hearne (Anniv.)
Thurs.	10.00am	Ken Lalor (Anniv.)
Fri.	10.00am	Christopher Kennedy (Anniv.)

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Tom Phelan** whose funeral took place this week. We also remember those who died recently and whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

We welcome into our parish community **Ailish Olivia Harris, Caoimhe Eileen Casey and Cian Oliver Niclot** who were baptised here last weekend. Congratulations to them and their families at this very special time.

World Youth Meeting in takes place in Panama from 18th to 30th Jan 2019. Limited Spaces only 30 places available to the Dublin Diocese. Cost is €1,500 to €1,199. To book or to find out more go to www.evangelisation.ie

Many thanks for your generous contributions to last week's collections. Next weekend the Peter's Pence collection replaces the SHARE collection.