Sunday 8th July 2018 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Raheny Country Markets will host a Tea & Coffee Morning in aid of Temple Street Children's Hospital on Friday, 13th July 2018 from 10:30a.m. to 12 noon in the Johnston Hall, Howth Road in conjunction with its usual Friday Market. All are welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration continues in the Church each Thursday after 10a.m. Mass for one hour. All are welcome.

The Sacrament of **Confession** is available in our Church after 10a.m. Mass on Fridays (except if a funeral is taking place) and also on request.

The **Bethany Bereavement Support Team** offers safe, free and confidential support as one journeys through grief. The St. Benedict's & St. Monica's group holds a drop in night on the first Tuesday of the month (except July & August) from 7p.m.-8p.m. in the assembly room in St. Monica's Church. For further information, phone (085) 207 6606.

Oasis Day in Manresa ~ Saturday 14th July Step aside from the ordinary into the lovely surroundings of Manresa for an Oasis Day. This day, from 9a.m. to 6p.m. takes place in an atmosphere of silence and comprises a number of elements, reflections, prayer, guided meditation etc. Mass concludes the day. Further details on (01) 8331352.

Young Dubliners (ages 16-29) are now being invited to join in a pilgrimage to Panama for **World Youth Day** in January 2019. Places are limited to 30 pilgrims. To register your interest, email wyd@dublindiocese.ie



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SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS: MARK 6:1-6

The story reminds us of how personal prejudices and agendas can block us from listening to the content of what another person has to say, no matter how relevant or wise it is. Perhaps you have experienced this. What difference has it made to you when you were able to focus on the content of what was being said and leave to one side your own prejudices about the speaker?

It has been said that there is nothing as useless as the right advice at the wrong time. We may want to reach out to another, but may be unable to make a useful contribution because at that moment the other person is not ready to be helped. Like Jesus we can 'do no deed of power'. As Jesus had to be patient and wait for another opportunity so do we. What have you learned about the importance of patience in working with other people?

The topic of religion can easily bring up prejudices, leading some to dismiss religion as superstition, old hat, or based on an outdated world view. Even among believers, prejudice can make it hard for individuals to listen to an alternative way of looking at things, to consider a different way of celebrating liturgy, or to live at peace with difference. Yet a closed mind can lead to a stagnant faith. When have you found that a willingness to consider a different perspective led to a deepening and strengthening of your faith?

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Mass Intentions for this week

6.00p.m. Sat: Caroline Murphy (M. Mind) Con Hanafin (Anniv.) Teresa Thompson (Anniv.) Mary Dunne (Rec. Dec'd) 8.30a.m. Sun: 10.00a.m. Robbie Cooke (Rec. Dec'd) Paddy & Hannah Kelly (Anniv.) 11.30a.m. Patrick & Ellen Atkins (Anniv.) Kathleen & Michael McGetrick (Anniv.) Wedding Anniversary Mon: 10.00a.m. Remembrance Tues: 10.00a.m. Peter Roche (Rec. Dec'd) Wed: 10.00a.m. Joan Kelly (Anniv.) Thurs: 10.00a.m. **Health Intentions** Fri: Una & Eric Dunne (Anniv.) 10.00a.m.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Mary Dunne** and **Alf McCormack** 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. We also remember **Fr. Eoin McCrystal**, formerly of Donaghmede Parish who died recently.

Next Sunday's Readings (Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time): Amos 7:12-15. Ps 84:9-14, R/v 8. Eph 1:3-14. Mk 6:7-13.

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

The Churchgate Collection after all Masses next weekend, 14th/15th July will be in aid of the local Conference of the St. Vincent DePaul Society.