



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

Sunday 16th June 2019 The Most Holy Trinity Cycle C Week 3

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A Mystery to Me 'It is a riddle, wrapped in a mystery, inside an enigma.'

This expression, originally used in 1939 by Winston Churchill, is typically used to describe something that is immensely puzzling or too complex to understand. The word 'mystery' is often used in everyday speech. When we can't wrap our heads around something, we shrug and say: 'It's a mystery to me,' or: 'It's another of life's great mysteries.'

As a child, I used to wonder about the religious meaning of 'mystery.' I remember someone telling me that if something is a mystery, it can never be fully understood, though that does not mean we should stop trying – like Jesus being fully human and fully divine (the incarnation), Jesus' death and resurrection (the Paschal mystery), and three persons in one God (the Trinity). It is this last mystery that we celebrate today. One of the most poignant attempts to explain the Trinity came from C.S. Lewis, who reasoned that if God is love, then God must contain more than one person: 'God is not a static thing – not even a person – but a dynamic, pulsating activity, a life, almost a kind of drama. Almost, if you will not think me irreverent, a kind of dance.' The idea of the Trinity as a sort of divine dance is a good place to begin reflecting on this great mystery of God as a communion of love. In today's Gospel, we see that Jesus is comfortable with an element of mystery. He does not reveal everything to his disciples at once, as it 'would be too much for you now.' The full truth will be revealed later, when the Spirit comes. The more we reflect, the more we pray, the more we are open to the Spirit, the more we will understand about the great mystery of God as love.

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Meeting for Ministers of the Word will take place on Saturday 29th June at 11 a.m. in the Church. If you would be interested in becoming a Minister of the Word, you are very welcome to attend.

The Annual Franciscan Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine KNOCK Sunday 30th June. Coach leaving the Capuchin Friary Raheny at 8am. Fare €20. Contact Mary 085 8899080 or Tony 086 2247463 for information.

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

New selection of Mass cards available from the Parish office, 10am to noon, Monday to Friday.

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

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 19th June at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please note there will be no events in July or August, please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm	Reginald Thornberry (Month's Mind) Betty Gunn (Rec. Dec'd) Margaret Webb <i>nee</i> Breen (Anniv.) Catherine and Denis McDonald (Anniv.)
Sun	8.30am	Ken Button (Rec. Dec'd) Peggy Hyland (Rec. Dec'd)
	10.00am	Michael McCrudden (Rec. Dec'd) Con O'Driscoll (Rec. Dec'd)
	11.30am	Tom Phelan (Anniv.) Michael O'Connor (Anniv.) Deirdre O'Gorman (Anniv.)
Mon.	10.00am	Parishioners Intentions Private Robert Forde (Lancastrian) and 3,000 ship mates and German pilot (Anniv.)
Tues.	10.00am	Michael Ryan (Anniv.)
Wed.	10.00am	Mary Kennedy (Anniv.)
Thurs.	10.00am	Special Intentions
Fri.	10.00am	Pauline Walcott (Anniv.)

To mark the **Feast of the Sacred Heart** on Fri 28th June, the **Dublin Diocesan Council of the Pioneer Association** is organising a Mass at 7pm in the Redemptoristine Convent chapel, St. Alphonsus Road, Drumcondra beside Iona Road church. The celebrant will be Fr. Tony O'Reilly P.P. of Palmerstown and Spiritual Director of the Diocesan Pioneers. All are welcome. Ample car parking available in chapel grounds.

Next Sunday's readings : Corpus Christi Gn 14:18-20. Ps 109:1-4, R/ v 4. 1 Cor 11:23-26. Lk 9:11-17.

Feastdays This Week
Thurs 20th - The Irish Martyrs
Fri 21st - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Many thanks for your generous contributions to last weekend's collections. This weekend's church gate collection is in aid of St. Vincent de Paul.