

**NEXT BAPTISM  
PREPARATION MEETING**

- will be on Tuesday, 1st Oct. at  
8pm, for Baptisms on Sunday, 6th  
Oct.



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**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Vigil</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Charles Peter Kerr (Rec. Dec.) Christopher Mulcahy (Anniv.) Tom, Moya & Anna Farrelly (Anniv.)
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	David Sullivan (Anniv.) Mary Nash (Rec. Dec.) Special Intentions
	<b>10.00am</b>	Theresa McGarry (Anniv.) Michael Nelson (Anniv.) Health Intentions
	<b>11.30am</b>	Thomas & Margaret Mulrooney (A) Thomas Courtney (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Eileen Patterson (Anniv.)
<b>Mon</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Parishioners Intentions Margaret McKenna (Anniv.)
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Jack MacSharry (Rec. Dec.) Special Intention Baby Operation
<b>Wed</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Alice O'Flynn (Anniv.) Patrick Cunningham (Birthday Rem.)
<b>Thur</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Health Intention
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Carmel Ryan (Anniv.)

**The Deep End • Called to 'come to our senses'**

The three parables of things lost and found emphasise the unending forgiveness of God, and God's rejoicing for those who return. In each of the situations there is a frantic search for that which is lost and a huge celebration when the lost is found. In the parable of the Lost Son there is much to reflect on. We hear that the younger brother eventually 'came to his senses.' We might pray today that God show us the aspects of our lives in which we also need to come to our senses.

In this Season of Creation, we lament the destruction of God's creation, we reflect on the loss of bio-diversity and the loss of human life caused by climate change. We pray that as a global community we might, like the lost son, 'come to our senses' and take the actions that are necessary to change course. It all seems so huge and perhaps we feel there is nothing significant we can do. That is not the case. As parishes, we can lead by example and show our commitment to care for the earth. The future of our environment depends on the action we take now as a society. As with all significant change, it begins with the grassroots.

'I wish to address every person living on this planet...to enter into dialogue with all people about our common home...The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all.' (Laudato Si' 3,23)

Suggestion for the week: Can you encourage your family to make small changes in the home, such as ensuring all waste is correctly recycled, composting, encouraging one another to use public transport or walk/cycle when possible? We start with ourselves.  
(Jane Mellett, email: mellettj@gmail.com)

**St Francis Hospice Coffee morning**

will take place Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept at 10 a.m. in the Hospice.

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

Sat. 21st: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

**REFLECTIVE DAY/PILGRIMAGE**

**Wed. Sept 18th:** Reflective day (from 10am to 4.40pm), led by Sally Hyland will take place at the Carmelite Monastery, Seapark, Malahide. Day includes talks, Eucharist, silence. Bring a packed lunch. Cost €35. Contact Sally 087 6226620 to book.

**Sun. Sept 29th:** Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. Cost €35 (incl. coach / snack / hot meal) Departs parish church at 7.30am. Contact Sean or Betty 087 6435036.

**Are you in your 40's/50's?**

The 'Dublin 40somethings' organise spiritual and social events for people in their 40's/50's, in and around Dublin, who have a Catholic ethos. The next monthly meeting is at Trinity City Hotel, Pearse St., at 8.30pm, on Fri. 4th Oct. For more information contact: dublin40somethings@gmail.com or 087 7608268.

A Liturgy Group Meeting will take place on Tuesday 17th Sept. at 10.30am.

**READINGS Next Sunday  
(25th Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

Amos 8:4-7  
Psalm: 112  
1 Tim 2:1-8  
Luke 16:1-13



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Greta Healy, who died recently. May she rest in the loving arms of our merciful God.

Church Gate Collection this Sunday is in aid of the St. Vincent De Paul Society.