

Sunday 19th April 2015

Third Sunday of Easter

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This weekend 18th/19th April is **Share Appeal Sunday** when the focus will be on the Share collection. This collection supports many of the central services of the diocese as well as providing support to parishes unable to meet their own financial needs.

Next Sunday, 26th April is **Vocations Sunday** and the Share collection will be replaced by the Priesthood Collection which supports Dublin Diocesan students preparing for ordination.

We welcome the following children, who were baptised recently, into our Christian Community: **Olivia Hanafin, Leo Donovan, Michael Taaffe, Ollly Fogarty and Aaron Roche.** Please remember them, their parents and godparents at this special time.

Raheny House Nursing Home will be hosting an **Alzheimer's Tea Party** on Thursday 7th May from 2:15p.m. to 4p.m. Donations of cakes & buns would be appreciated. All are welcome.

Next Thursday 23rd April, **Fr Pat Martin**, the 'Blind Priest' will speak at the 7:30pm Mass in Kilbarrack/Foxfield Parish Church. Fr Pat's faith and ministry are a source of hope and consolation and he is a most powerful speaker about God's love. His message is *How we can come to know God's love for us each day.* All are welcome.

Next Sunday's Readings (Vocations Sunday):
Acts 4:8-12. Ps 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29.
R/V 22. 1Jn 3:1-2. Jn 10:11-18.



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THE DEEP END ~ REST IN GOD

You may have heard it said that it is a wonderful compliment when someone falls asleep in your company – it means they trust you and feel comfortable with you. Many of us are at our most relaxed with members of our families or our oldest friends. And then there are the lovely occasions when we meet someone new and feel at ease with them straight away.

Today we hear a story of the disciples encountering the risen Jesus. They are not immediately at ease; they are alarmed as they think they are seeing a ghost. But as soon as they are convinced it really is Jesus, they are filled with joy, and they settle down to eat with him. They are back in the company of their beloved friend and teacher. The disciples who met Jesus on the road to Emmaus had a similar experience – they immediately felt comfortable in Jesus' company, even when they thought he was no more than a learned stranger, and invited him to dine and to stay with them.

Our relationship with Jesus should be one of ease and trust. But we need to spend time with him to reach that level of closeness. Today's Psalm describes beautifully the joy and comfort that this relationship can bring: 'I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.'

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Mass Intentions for this week

Sat:	6.00p.m.	Phil Brennan (M. Mind) Louise Crimmins (1st Anniv.)
Sun:	8.30a.m.	Pro Populo
	10.00a.m.	Helen Lynch (Anniv.)
	11.30a.m.	David Brennan (Anniv.)
Mon:	10.00a.m.	Deceased members of the Boyle Family
Tues:	10.00a.m.	Joe Doyle (Anniv.)
Wed:	10.00a.m.	Gwendalene & Alan Cathcart (R.I.P.)
Thurs:	10.00a.m.	Tommy Byrne (Anniv.)
Fri:	10.00a.m.	Anne Loughney (Rec. Dec'd)
Sat:	10.00a.m.	

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Eddie McDermott**, late of Cill Éanna, whose funeral took place this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with his parents, sister, grandparents and friends. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

Ataxia Ireland wishes to thank all parishioners for their very generous response to its churchgate collection after all Masses last weekend which amounted to €950. This will help the charity to continue to assist its members in practical ways as well as supporting ongoing research. Míle buíochas.

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