

18th - 25th January 2015
Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity

Pope Francis has proclaimed the period from 30th Nov 2014 to 2nd Feb 2016 as the *Year of Consecrated Life*.

To mark the year, Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will celebrate Mass at 3pm, in St Brigid's Church, Killester with all the Religious of the Dublin Archdiocese.

✠ Please pray for the repose of the soul of: Kevin McCabe - recently deceased.

The last day for enrolment for Nai Scoil Ide, All Saints' Drive, for year beginning September 2015, will be 31st January 2015.

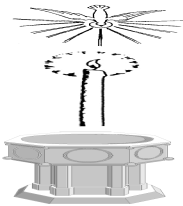
Raheny Missionary Project is resuming its Coffee Mornings in the Cedar Lounge, 11am to 12.30pm - on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month.

Feastdays this week

Mon: St. Fabian, pope / martyr; St. Sebastian, martyr
 Weds: St Agnes, virgin & martyr (patron of engaged couples, gardeners & young girls)
 Thurs: St. Vincent, deacon & martyr
 Sat: St. Francis de sales, bishop & doctor of Church (patron of writers, editors & journalists)

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

- in the church at 8pm, on Tuesday, 20th Jan. for Baptism on Saturday, 24th Jan.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00 pm	Deirdre Carolan_O'Regan, Anniv.
Sun.	8.30 am	Pro Populo
	10.00 am	Brian Mullen, Anniv. Kay Mullen, R.I.P.
	11.30 am	Vincent Duffy, Anniv.
Mon.	10.00am	Vera Nester, R.I.P.
Tues.	10.00am	Cecilia & Tom McDermott, Anniv.
Wed.	10.00am	Gina Gillespie, R.I.P.
Thurs.	10.00am	Arthur Deane, Rec. Dec'd.
Fri.	10.00am	Arthur Deane, Rec. Dec'd
Sat.	10.00am	Funeral of Ashes (Peyton)

THE DEEP END - "Come and See"

Today marks the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

This year's theme for the week is 'Jesus said to her: "Give me a drink"', from the story of Jesus' encounter with the woman at the well.

The encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman invites us to try water from a different well and to also offer some of our own. This week of prayer offers us the opportunity for encounter and dialogue with others, and a time to ask God for the gift of unity.

Today is also the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Speaking last summer, when he met with migrants and asylum seekers on the Mediterranean island of Lampedusa, Pope Francis urged 'brotherly responsibility' towards our fellow human beings.

There is a Brazilian proverb used when a visitor is leaving one's home: 'Whoever drinks of this water keeps coming back'. Today's readings see Jesus invite the disciples to *come and see* where he lived. He welcomed them into his home and they stayed with him for the rest of the day. The example of Jesus encourages us to be welcoming, to extend a warm invitation to all, and to spend time with others in conversation and friendship. *Triona Doherty, Athlone. e-mail: trionad@gmail.com*

The Palestrina Choir will be performing a concert of sacred music, in St. John the Baptist Church, on Saturday, 31st January, at 8pm, as part of its Spring Concert series, supporting its tour to the Carnegie Hall, New York and to Washington, D.C. Tickets can be obtained in the Parish Office, or at the door on the night, for €15.

GETTING MARRIED SOON?

"Week-End Away" preparing for marriage. Get away from it all. Have a Pre-Marriage course with a difference, focussing on your relationship. Contact: Esker, Athenry, (091) 844549, OR www.redemptoristsesker.ie OR search for "Esker Couples" on Facebook.

READINGS
Next Sunday

Jon. 3: 1-5
 ,Ps. 24
 1 Cor. 7:29-31
 Mk. 1: 14-20

