

CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

25th January 2009 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Week 3 Cycle B

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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm Agnes Traynor (1st Anniv.)
	8.30am Pro Populo
	10.00am Peter & Pattie Andrews (Anniv.)
	11.30am Ronnie Burke (Anniv.)
	5.00pm Evelyn Golden (Anniv.)
Mon.	7.30am Esther & Patrick Daly (Anniv.)
	10.00am Deceased members of the Tucker and Moore families
Tues.	7.30am Syd & Sydney Haley (Anniv.)
	10.00am Laurence Meghen (Anniv.)
Wed.	7.30am Breda & Jack Daly (Anniv.)
	10.00am Deceased members of the Daly family
Thurs.	7.30am Rosie & Tom Slattery (Anniv.)
	10.00am Billy & Ciaran Stanbridge (Anniv.)
Fri.	7.30am Lily & Jimmy Vaughan (Anniv.)
	10.00am Margaret Horan (Rec. Dec'd)
Sat.	9.40am Morning Prayer of the Church
	10.00am Peter & Richard Kelly (Anniv.)

Feast Days This Week

Monday 26th, Ss Timothy and Titus
Tuesday 27th, St Angela Merici
Wednesday 28th, St Thomas Aquinas
Friday 30th, Bl Margaret Ball and Francis Taylor
Saturday 31st, St John Bosco

Retreat day exploring Gratitude on 4th February in **Stella Maris Retreat Centre**, Howth. Contact Sally Hyland SJG on 087 6226620

Pastoral Council Report

The Pastoral Council took a decision at a recent meeting to publish an account of all meetings held, to keep parishioners informed about our work. The following is a brief account of what was discussed at our last Pastoral Council meeting:

- **Child Protection** - our parish Representatives for Child Protection, Mairead Peppard and Eilish O'Leary, made a presentation about the training they had been given by the diocese and about what child procedures were necessary in the parish. A policy statement on child protection was agreed and is printed below. This has also been posted on the Pastoral Council Notice Board at the back of the church.

We in the Parish of Raheny value and encourage the participation of children and young people in parish liturgies and in activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional and social development. We recognize the dignity and rights of all children and are committed to their protection and support.

In keeping with this we will work to do all in our power to create safe environments for children and young people in order to secure their protection and enable their full participation in the life of the Church.

- A report of the **work of the Pastoral Council** over the last year was agreed. This has also been distributed to the parish.
- Possible **co-operation with the surrounding parishes** of Edenmore, Grange Park and Killester was discussed, particularly in relation to the ministry with young people.
- Presentations were made by the Finance Committee on the sale of **St Assam's church** and **the management of the car park** - again reports on both of these subjects were subsequently published (this time by the Finance Committee) and made available to parishioners.
- An **art workshop for 3rd, 4th & 5th class** boys and girls run with the help of the teenagers and members of the Family Mass Group, was reported on.



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Una Fagan**, Raheny Road who died recently. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick will take place in our Parish Church on Sunday 8th February at 11.30am.

Scoil Ide Application Forms for enrolment for September 2009 are currently available at the school. Forms to be returned by Friday 30th January.

Overnight retreat for men at Manresa, 426 Clontarf Road, Dollymount on Saturday/Sunday 7th/8th February 2009. Retreat organised by the Lay Retreat Association in conjunction with the Jesuit Fathers. Enquiries to Donal O'Driscoll, LRA at 01 4961148 or contact John Callaghan at 01 8370778 for further mixed retreats throughout the year.

Sincere thanks to all parishioners who contributed to last weekend's **SHARE** collection which totalled €1840.

We welcome to our parish **Cian Mark Corrigan, Ryan Patrick Hollingsworth, Sean Aidan Hurley and Kate Evelyn Geraldine Markey**, all who were baptised recently.

Next Sunday's Readings: Deut 18:15-20. Ps 94. 1 Cor 7:32-35. Mk 1:21-28