### Year of Faith: Invitation to celebrate

- The Eucharistic Adoration Association invites you to Knock, on Sat. 20th April 2013 to a day of: Workshops, Adoration, Talks, Prayer, Rosary, Blessing of Sick, Eucharistic Procession, Children's / Young People's Activities, Children's Adoration Workshop, & Mass celebrated by Archbishop Brown, Papal Nuncio.

For more information and travel details, please phone: Mark @ 831 3319.

Please remember to pray for: Tommy Russell & Rosaleen Pollard - recently deceased. May they rest in peace

# Lenten preparation for EASTER Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Having Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday is a wonderful blessing for our parish.

The Lord is waiting to shower each of us with even more blessings - all we need to do is spend time with Him. Please visit Him - He is waiting!



# CHURCH OF OUR LADY, MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE

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#### THE DEEP END • THROWING STONES

It is interesting, that although it takes two people to commit adultery, there is no mention of the man in this story. Nevertheless, the importance of the event lies in Jesus not condemning this woman to the death penalty, as was demanded by Old Testament law, for anyone caught in the act of adultery.

Once again the Pharisees are trying to trick Jesus. We may wonder what Jesus was writing on the ground as they continued to question him, but he delivers a winning punch-line in this debate and the condemners are forced to leave one by one. Presumably, they had to think about it, before admitting defeat.

We live in a stone-throwing society which cares little for circumstances which cause people to make wrong choices. People want someone to blame, and the sooner the better. We only have to look at the economic situation in Ireland to see the blame game in progress, daily. Those who accuse others often do so from a lack of knowledge and laziness, because it is very easy to be negative.

We all need forgiveness. As we approach Easter we see more clearly what Jesus has done for us by freeing us from all these burdens. We make mistakes but we can always start again. When we relate compassionately to those who are in difficulty we can rediscover our common humanity.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil 6.00 pm Robert McMahon (Anniv.)

Sun. 8.30 am Pro Populo

10.00 am Kevin Berkeley (Rec. Dec.)

11.30 am Thomas J. Breen (Anniv.)

Mon. 10.00am Thomas & Mary Connolly

Tues. 10.00am Frank Quinn (Rec. Dec)

Wed 10.00am Those who sympathised with the O'Donoghue family in their recent

bereavement

Thur 10.00am Maura O'Donnell (Anniv.)

Fri. 10.00am Deceased members of the Lalor family

Sat. 9.40am Morning Prayer of the Church

10.00am Siobhan Treacy (Anniv)

New "Dublin Bay North Pro-Life" Group will hold a meeting in St. Brigid's Parish Centre, Killester, on Fri. 22nd March at 8pm. Aims include: To discuss the updates on the prolife crisis; to raise awareness of the issues at hand & to further respectful engagement with legislators & the community on the urgent need to preserve our PRO LIFE ethos. Contact:: DublinBayNorthPL@gmail.com or 086-2097330 (after 8pm).

Please remember Pope Francis in your prayers, as he starts his pontificate. Please also pray for the Church and for Benedict XVI, Pope Emeritus.



#### NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

- in the Sacristy, at 8pm, on Tues., 2nd Apr., for Baptisms on Sat., 6th April. Raheny Missionary Project is holding a Coffee Morning & Easter Bumper Raffle in the Cedar Lounge, on Weds. 20th March, 10.30am -12noon.

Reconciliation Service will be held on Fri. 22nd March, at 7.30pm, in the Capuchin Friary, Raheny.

## READINGS Palm Sunday

Is. 50:4-7 Phil. 2:6-11 Lk. 22:14-23:56



## GETTING MARRIED SOON?

"Week-End Away" in preparation for marriage. Get away from it all. Have a Pre-Marriage course with a difference, with the focus on your relationship. Contact: Esker, Athenry, at (091) 844549 for more details, or log on to www.redemptoristsesker.ie or search for "Esker Couples" on Facebook.