

For those unable to come to **Adoration** in our church, there is Adoration in St Brigids's Church, Killester, every Thursday evening from 7-8pm.

**St. Fintan's Cemetery:** Annual Mass takes place on Sun., 9th June, at 3pm.

**St Joseph's Young Priests' Society** - next meeting on Mon., 20th May, at 2.30pm in the side chapel.

**Raheny Missionary Project** will hold its annual church gate collection after all Masses next Sunday, 26th May.

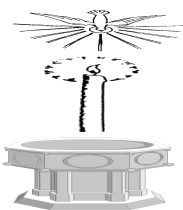
Bro. Ignatius, OFM Cap will speak at all the Masses on the day.

Training for **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** takes place in Clonliffe College, on Thurs. 23rd May 7.30-9.30pm. Contact: Grainne 808 7554.

**Punishment:** A priest who thought he lived a decent life on earth and served to the best of his ability was dismayed to find himself in after life shackled to an ugly, disputatious woman. Then he spotted his bishop chained to a young woman who had been noted for her personality, beauty and charm. The priest complained to St. Peter, who replied: "It's none of your business. You get on with your penance and let her get on with hers."

**NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING**

- in the side chapel at 8pm, on Tues., 28th May for Baptism on Sat., 1st June.



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THE DEEP END • PENTECOST

We can probably recall times when we were afraid, bewildered, felt like everything was falling apart and the doors were firmly locked. Today's Gospel shows us that even in those difficult times, there is always hope. Jesus came and stood amongst the disciples even though the doors were firmly closed. The peace that He gives them (Shalom) has a much more significant meaning than we first think. The peace that Jesus offers is a peace that this world cannot offer. It is a peace that comes from a loving relationship with God. It is a peace of body, of mind and of spirit.

In the Gospel of St. John, the account of Pentecost is a lot less dramatic than St. Luke's version. The Holy Spirit comes gently, in a breath. St. John emphasises the importance of forgiveness in the mission to come. The disciples are being sent out to reconcile people to God, to restore relationships in the world.

Forgiveness is costly, but it has the power to transform people and heals destruction in the world; it offers that peace, that Shalom. It is through the Spirit that God is present to us in the world, doors are opened, fear turns to courage as we are sent out to work for a Kingdom of love and justice.

*If we could let go of our own obsession with what we think is the meaning of it all, we might be able to hear His call and follow Him in His mysterious, cosmic dance.*

Thomas Merton

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We welcome all those who were recently baptised into our parish community.

Please pray for all those from our parish community who have died recently ☩

**READINGS - Next Sunday**

**THE HOLY TRINITY**

Proverbs 8:22-31

Romans 5:1-5

Jn. 16:12-15



Vigil	6.00 pm	Eileen & James Collins (Anniv.)
Sun.	8.30 am	Pro Populo
	10.00 am	Thomas & Mary Connolly (Anniv)
	11.30 am	Teresa Smith (Anniv)
Mon.	10.00am	Mary, James, Jessica & John Boyle (Anniv.)
Tues.	10.00am	Christopher & Mary Mulcahy (Anniv.)
Wed	10.00am	Get well intention
Thur	10.00am	Ann & James McGlue; Bridget & Harry Millard (Anniv.)
Fri.	10.00am	Hugh & Eileen Caragher (R.I.P.)
Sat.	9.40am	Morning Prayer of the Church
	11.00am	First Holy Communions - Scoil Assaim

Please remember in your prayers the children from Scoil Aine & Springdale National School who received Holy Communion for the first time yesterday, Sat., 18th May.

**REFLECTION/PRAYER DAYS**

a) Sat. 25th May, 10am-4pm, **Emmaus Retreat Centre**, Swords. Cost:€35 incl. lunch. Contact: 870 0050

b) **Light out of Darkness** programme: Information meeting on Tues., 13th Aug 2013 in Capuchin Friary. Contact: David 086 0668417 or Mary 085 7389698.

**Are you between 35 and 45?**

Would you like to meet other Catholics of your age for social and spiritual events? The "Dublin Fortysomethings" invite you to a new members weekend starting at the Trinity Capital Hotel, Pearse St., at 8.30pm, Friday 24th May. Events planned: walks, Mass, party. Contact: 087 7608268 or e-mail: dublin40somethings@gmail.com,