

Sunday 25th September 2016

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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A Baptism Preparation Meeting

will be held at 8p.m. on Tuesday 27th September in the Church to prepare for Baptisms taking place on Sunday next, 2nd October.



Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will take place from Monday 26th September to Tuesday 4th October at the Monastery of St. Alphonsus, St. Alphonsus' Road, Drumcondra. Daily Mass at 9:30a.m. & 8p.m. Preacher will be Fr. Michael Murtagh. Also available via webcam at www.rednuns.com

Applications for membership of the **Pioneer Total Abstinence Association** will be taken as usual next Sunday 2nd October (first Sunday of the month) from 11:15 to 12:30 in the Conference Room at the side of the Church.

A Special Blessing for Expectant Mothers will take place on Wednesday 5th October 2016 at 8p.m. in Our Lady of Mercy Church, Brookwood Grove, Artane.

Stella Maris Retreat Centre, Carrickbrack Road, Howth is hosting a day of reflection on the theme 'I am the Light of the World' on Wednesday 5th October. Cost €50 to include prayer, talks, Eucharist & lunch. For further info, contact Sally on 087 6226620.

Ard Scoil La Salle, Raheny is calling on all its past pupils to support its new fundraising event...a buy a brick campaign...to mark its Golden Jubilee in 2018. For further details, contact buyabrick@ardscoillasalle.ie



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THE DEEP END: THE RICH MAN & LAZARUS

Last Sunday's Gospel reminded us of what economics according to God looks like – it spoke of a redistribution of wealth by a manager who realised that material wealth is only temporary; what we do with that wealth and how we distribute it is more important. Today's parable is on a similar theme. The rich man is sorry, but it is too late for him. He had not come to his senses as the manager last week had done. The rich man is unwilling to change; even in the afterlife he wants Lazarus sent, ordered, to go to his brothers to warn them. It is not proof or special signs that they need. Their vision has been blinded by wealth. They need to *see* the poor who are at their gates.

God's economics means striving for a world where the poor man Lazarus can sit down at the same table as the rich man. It is not simply enough to comfort the poor and say to them that they will be rewarded in heaven. This misses the point. Luke is pointing us to a great reversal that is so central to this Gospel, a call to turn the world as we know it upside down. *'It is not God's will for some to have everything and others to have nothing'* (Oscar Romero).

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Mass Intentions for this week

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| Sat: | 6.00p.m. | Teresa Hayes (1st Anniv.) Jonh Lennon (R. I. P.) |
| Sun: | 8.30a.m. | Special Intention |
| | 10.00a.m. | Alice Walsh (Anniv.) Pearl Deegan (Anniv.) Peggy O'Higgins (Anniv.) |
| | 11.30a.m. | Finnbar O'Regan (Anniv.) |
| Mon: | 10.00a.m. | Mary McManus (Rec. Dec'd) Marian Reilly (R. I. P.) |
| Tues: | 10.00a.m. | Peggy O'Rourke (Rec. Dec'd) |
| Wed: | 10.00a.m. | Roseanne McDermott (Rec. Dec'd) |
| Thurs: | 10.00a.m. | Denis Brennan (1st Anniv.) John, Maryanne & Jimmy McNeice (Anniv.) Special Intention |
| Fri: | 10.00a.m. | Holy Souls |
| Sat: | 10.00a.m. | NO MASS |

Next Sunday's Readings (Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time): Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4. Ps 94: 1-2, 6-9, R/ v 9. 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14. Lk 17:5-10

27th Sept. ~ Feast of **St. Vincent de Paul, Priest.**
29th Sept. ~ Feast of **Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael,**
30th Sept. ~ Feast of **St. Jerome.**
1st Oct. ~ Feast of **St. Thérèse, Doctor of the Church.**

All services from our Parish Church are streamed live on our website www.rahenyparish.ie...just click on the *Watch Us Live* tab. The Parish Newsletter is also published weekly on the parish website....click on the *Parish Bulletin* tab.

The **Churchgate Collection** after all Masses next weekend is in aid of **Epilepsy Ireland.**