

## CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

Sunday 24th September 2017 Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A Week 1



Thank you for your generosity to latest weekend's collections. This weekend's church gate collection is in aid of **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul**.

**The folk group welcomes Dolce**, a mixed voice choir, to join them in a concert entitled "The Joy of Singing" in the church on Sunday 1st October at 7pm. Admission is free and all are welcome.

A Coffee Morning in aid of **St Francis' Hospice** on Saturday 30th September at 12noon in Raheny Court (back of library). All welcome.

**Mass cards** are available to buy in the parish office, open between 10am and 12 noon weekdays.

Congratulations and welcome to our parish community **Erick Eoin Carott, Ryan William Biggs, Cian Robert Donnelly, Clodagh Conway and Iarla John Garvey** who were baptised in our church last weekend.

Meeting of the **St. Joseph's Young Priests Society** will take place on Monday 25th Sept, at 2.30pm in the old Baptistry.

The 2016 financial statements for the parish are available on the radiators in the church. Full accounts are available in the parish office.

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### MUSINGS

I should like to speak with you, my God, and yet what else can I speak of but you? Indeed, could anything at all exist which had not been present with you from all eternity, which didn't have its true home and most intimate explanation in your mind and heart? Isn't everything I ever say really a statement about you?

On the other hand, if I try, shyly and hesitantly, to speak to you about yourself, you will still be hearing about me. For what could I say about you except that you are my God, the God of my beginning and end, God of my joy and my need, God of my life?

... But what am I really saying, when I call you my God, the God of my life? That you are the meaning of my life? The goal of my wanderings? The consecration of my actions? The judgment of my sins? The bitterness of my bitter hours and my most secret joy? My strength, which turns my own strength into weakness? Creator, Sustainer, Pardoner, the One both far and near? Incomprehensible? God of my brethren? God of my fathers?

Are there any titles which I needn't give you? And when I have listed them all, what have I said? If I should take my stand on the shore of your endlessness and shout into the trackless reaches of your Being all the words I have ever learned in the poor prison of my little existence, what should I have said? I should never have spoken the last word about you.

*Karl Rahner, Encounters With Silence*

**The Scripture Study Group** led by Fr Séamus and Fr. Finbarr, meets at 7.45pm every Monday in the Parish Centre of the Church of St John the Evangelist, Kilbarrack/Foxfield, Greendale Road, to read, reflect and pray to make the Word of God on Sundays more relevant, real and alive. From Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.45pm for six weeks, the School of the Word will take place led by Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA. All are welcome

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Vigil</b>	6.00pm	Paul Rogers (1st Anniv.) Philip McQuaid (Anniv.) Ned & Vera Brennan (Anniv.) Eileen Sutton & her son Brendan (Anniv.)
<b>Sun</b>	8.30am	Deceased members of the O'Donovan family
	10.00am	Nora & John Ward (Anniv.) Alice Walsh (Anniv.) Olive & Michael Sheridan (Anniv.)
	11.30am	Des McEvoy (Month's Mind) Joseph Green (Month's Mind) Tom, Moya & Anna Farrelly (Anniv.) Therese Hayes (Anniv.)
<b>Mon.</b>	10.00am	Michael Gill (Rec. Dec'd)
<b>Tues.</b>	10.00am	Pauline Gannon (Rec. Dec'd)
	11.30am	Funeral Mass of Eileen Casey
<b>Wed.</b>	10.00am	Christopher Mulcahy (Rec. Dec'd)
<b>Thurs.</b>	10.00am	Health Intention
<b>Fri.</b>	10.00am	Elizabeth Green (Rec. Dec'd)

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Bridget Moran and Nuala Donnelly** whose funerals took place this week and **Eileen Casey** whose funeral mass will take place on Tuesday 26th at 11.30am. We also remember those who died recently and whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

*Feast Days This Week : Wed 27th Sept. - St. Vincent de Paul, Fri 29th Sept. - Ss Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Sat. 30th Sept. - St. Jerome*

*Next Sunday's readings : Ez 18:25-28. Ps 24:4-9, R/ v 6. Phil 2:1-11. Mt 21:28-32.*