

**NEXT BAPTISM
PREPARATION MEETING**

- will be at 8pm, on Tuesday, 12th June, for the celebration of Baptism on Sunday, 17th June.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00 pm	Mae McNally (Rec. Dec.) Betty Zeiter nee Malone late of Maywood Park and USA (Rec. Dec.)
Sun.	8.30 am	Health Intentions
	10.00am	Sean O’Gorman (Rec. Dec.)
	11.30am	Dermot Lavelle (M.Mind) Michael O’Connor (Anniv.) Deirdre O’Gorman (Anniv.)
Mon	11th June	St. Barnabas, Apostle
	10.00am	Nora Abraham (Anniv.)
Tues.	10.00am	Sean O’Gorman (Anniv.)
Wed.	13th June	St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor of the Church
	10.00am	Health Intentions
Thur	10.00am	Ken Lalor (Anniv.)
		Eucharistic Adoration after Mass
Fri.	10.00am	Peter Kennedy (Anniv.)
		Confessions after Mass

‘Mass Cards are available in the parish office.

Church gate collection this Sunday, 10th June is in aid of St Vincent De Paul Society.

SHARE collection next Sunday, 17th June will be replaced by a special collection for WMOF2018.

Cemetery Mass: St. Fintan’s Cemetery, this Sunday, 10th June, at 12 noon.

THE DEEP END: ‘He has gone out of his mind’

In the gospel today we hear that Jesus made a visit home. Word about this radical teacher had gotten around and the religious leaders are not happy. In an effort to protect their son and brother, Jesus’ family try to restrain him in order to protect him. The people who have gathered try to dismiss Jesus’ teachings saying that he has ‘gone out of his mind’. The religious leaders even go so far as to say that he is possessed by a demon! Perhaps their way of explaining away someone that they could not cope with. Who in our society today is explained away? Who do we wish would stop speaking out because it makes us uncomfortable? Who do we know who is speaking the truth and yet is dismissed by those in authority? Who tries to silence others?

One of the criticisms of Christians today is that we are not Christ-like or we are no longer challenged by the gospel message. Sometimes it is easier to ‘keep your head down’. But Jesus knows that in order to bring change, to work for God’s kingdom of love and justice and peace, this involves sticking your head above the parapet, whether that be in our communities, our families or in our church.

‘I began to wonder if anyone still believed Jesus meant those things he said. I thought if we just stopped and asked “what if he really meant it?” it could turn the world upside down. It is a shame Christians have become so normal.’

Shane Claiborne (The Irresistible Revolution)

General Data Protection Regulation

The new European data protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”), was introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish, which manages and processes people’s personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. It is work in progress and we will keep you informed, (via parish website & newsletter). If you have any questions about this please let us know.

Godly Play - Taster Morning: St Mochta’s Parish Centre, Luttrellstown Road, Porterstown / Clonsilla, next Saturday 16th June, 9.30am - 12.30pm; cost €10.

“Godly Play” is a creative, tried and tested method of religious education and spiritual formation for children. It takes place in schools, hospitals, parishes and homes and would be of interest to parents and grandparents, Family Mass groups, teachers, chaplains, catechists & pastoral workers. Queries & bookings to: godlyplayireland@gmail.com

READINGS Next Sunday

Ex. 17:22-24
Ps. 91:2-3, 13-16
2 Cor. 5: 6-10
Mk. 4: 26-34



World Meeting of Families: Weds 22nd - Sun 26th August

The World Meeting of Families (WMOF) and Papal visit will take place in August. If you would like to attend the WMOF as part of a Parish Group, please contact the parish office, ph. 831 3232. Bookings can also be made on line at: www.worldmeeting2018

Note: With limited capacity in Croke Park (venue on Sat 25th for the Festival of Families), free tickets (for Sat 25th) will be subject to availability. The only guaranteed way to ensure a ticket for the Festival is by purchasing a three-day Congress (Weds - Fri) ticket (€68/adult, under 18 free).