

Parish Newsletter

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" – Lk 4:21-22



**PARISH OF OUR
LADY OF GOOD
COUNSEL**
*Mourne Road,
Drimnagh,
Dublin 12*

*Pastoral Area
Crumlin /Mourne
Rd. /Clogher Rd.*

MASS TIMES: SUNDAY:

*Vigil, 6.30p.m, 9.00a.m.,
10.30a.m. (Family Mass)
& 12 noon Choir*

*7.00p.m. Pastoral Area Mass
St. Agnes, Crumlin
10.00a.m.*

MONDAY – SATURDAY

*Morning Prayer: 9.40a.m.
each morning.*

*Confessions after 10.00a.m.
Mass Saturdays or on request.*

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

*Monday - Wednesday
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.
& 2.00p.m. to 5.00p.m.*

*Thursday & Friday
(Closed both afternoons)
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.*

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We remember all those who have died recently.

Kathleen Larkin

Gladys Gaynor



We give our loved ones back to you, O Lord;
and just as you did not lose them in the giving,
so we do not lose them in returning them to you.

Do you have a neighbour who is housebound?

Or do you know someone who might like to hear what is going on in the Parish

We would like you to pass this Newsletter on to them

Also, if you know someone who would like to have Holy Communion brought to them in their home, please contact the Parish Office.

A copy of the Newsletter can also be downloaded from the Parish website.
www.mourneroad.ie



Eucharistic Prayer

Every Friday
2.30-3.30p.m.
in the Oratory.

All are
Welcome.



Eucharistic Adoration

takes place Monday to Friday 10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Oratory.

**Would you like to spend a little time alone with the Lord in quiet prayer?
If you have an hour to spare please leave your name into the Parish Office.**

Legion of Mary

Group meet every Tuesday at 2.30p.m. in the church Meeting Room.

PARISH LOTTO



Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

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Congratulations to last week's winners of the three €20 Prizes

Next week's Jackpot will be €1900.00

The Draw takes place on Tuesday morning after 10 a.m. Mass in the Church Tearoom.

Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe in the church by 11.00a.m. on Mondays.

All are welcome to attend the draw.



1st Saturday

- 6th February

Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima will take place after the 10.00a.m. Mass.

w/e 23rd/24th January

Church Collections

1st Priests: €1066.00

2nd Collection €781.00

Envelope Collection

€1476.00

World Day of the Sick 2016 The Annual Conference will take place on Saturday 6th February from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm at the Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan Road, Co. Dublin. Speakers include Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Bishop Donal Murray and Professor J. Bernard Walsh, who will reflect on the Lourdes experience. For further information please contact Trish Conway on 087 6220349. The *Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick* is on Sunday 7th February at 3.00 pm in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Merrion Road (opposite St. Vincent's Hospital). Main Celebrant: Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. All are welcome to attend.

World Day of the Sick Diocesan Prayer Book: The Dublin Diocesan World Day of the Sick Committee has published an updated version of their very popular prayer book - *'I Am With You' (Psalm 90)*. For those experiencing suffering and illness, and for those caring for those who are facing sickness it can be used for personal prayer on many occasions - in parish - at home - in hospital - healthcare facilities, - for pastoral visitation of the sick and carers and First Friday calls. Additional copies of the prayer book are available from Ms Sheila Pyne, Archbishop's House, Tel: 01 8373732, Ext. 116 and from Veritas.



Catholic Schools Week 2016: Catholic Schools Week will run from Sunday 31st January to Saturday 6th February. The theme for 2016 is 'Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy'. A Mass will also be broadcast by RTÉ on Sunday 31 January to celebrate both Catholic Schools Week and the new *Grow in Love* religious education programme for primary schools. Students from Mount Mercy College, Cork, as well as pupils from Saint Pius X primary school in Templeogue, Dublin, will participate in this special liturgy. <http://www.catholicbishops.ie/2016/01/05/resources-for-catholic-schools-week-2016/>

Parish Pilgrimage on Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes: You are warmly invited to take part in our Jubilee Year of Mercy Parish mini-Pilgrimage to the Torchlight Procession in Inchicore on Thursday 11th February, Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes led by the children of the Confirmation classes. Assembly will be at 6.45pm at the main gate of our church from where we'll walk to the Grotto in Inchicore behind the Parish banner for the Procession at 7.30pm. Anyone unable to walk is most welcome to join us at the Oblates. Officers of the Order of Malta will be in attendance. **Consecrated Life - Mount Merion** A service to conclude the Year for Consecrated Life will take place in the Church of St. Therese, Mount Merrion on Tuesday 2nd February at 7.30 pm. All welcome.



1st February Saint Brigid, 454 – 524, Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland:

Brigid is renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. She received her religious formation from St. Mel at Ardagh. Later, she founded a double monastery at Kildare. Devotion to St. Brigid is widespread throughout the world.

May Brigid bless the house wherein you dwell. Bless every fireside every wall and door. Bless every heart that beats beneath its roof. Bless every hand that toils to bring it joy. Bless every foot that walks its portals through. May Brigid bless the house that shelters you. Stiúraigh, treoraigh, árdaiigh sinne. Nó go dtigimid i do ghloir.



Tuesday 2nd February The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day).

This feast is a remembrance of the Lord and of Mary, his Mother. With candles in their hands, the people go out to meet the Lord and to acclaim him with Simeon, who recognized Christ as 'a light to reveal God to the nations'. **Candles will be blessed during Mass** to honour the Lord "the light of the nations" and his Mother, Mary. World Day for Consecrated Life.



Wednesday 3rd February Feast of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr

Died 315 AD. Bishop of Sebasta. Martyred in Armenia. Tradition states that he was a physician before becoming a bishop. Since the 8th century he has been venerated as those who suffer from diseases of the throat. **Blessing of St. Blaise:** The blessing of Saint Blaise is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick. Using two crossed and unlighted candles, blessed on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, the minister touches the throat of each person, saying, *'Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from all ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.'*

Our Lady of Lourdes Novena: Inchicore Mary Immaculate Parish will host Our Lady of Lourdes Novena from the 2nd -11th February at 10.00am each morning and at 8.00pm each evening. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated at 11am on Saturday 6th February. The torchlight procession will be on Thursday 11th February, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, at 7.30pm. Further information please contact the **Inchicore parish office on 01 4534408.**



Sunday Scripture: **Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71 (70); 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30.**

This Sunday we hear the second part of the scene in Nazareth from Luke 4. It foreshadows the ministry of Jesus and its outcome, including Jesus' death and resurrection. It may provide a chance to reflect on Jesus as prophet, so central to Luke's presentation, and with great potential for today. At the same time, we are reading 1 Corinthians 13. Like the Songs of Songs, it gets to the heart of human experience and to the heart of God, *without actually naming God at all.* Another text from Paul comes to mind, also about faith, hope and love: *'Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.'* (Romans 5:1-5)

'No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown'

Thought for the day

Probably all of us have experience of "small town Ireland" (or wherever). The limited set of expectations limits what we can see and recognise in others. It may even be that we are both victims and perpetrators! Familiarity does not always breed esteem. This is even true in the faith: we can be so "familiar" with it all that any sense of energy or newness has long since dissipated. And yet, we *should* allow ourselves to be surprised by the God of surprises: "See, I am making all things new." (Revelation 21:5) This newness of the Gospel is more radical than mere novelty: it is a new creation in Christ. New wine, new wineskins!

Prayer

God of the new, help us shake off the shackles of familiarity and come once more with open hearts and lives to hear again your prophet Jesus. Amen.



Oh The Word Of My Lord

Deep within my being,
Oh the word of my Lord,
You have filled my mind.
Before I formed you in the womb
I knew you through and through,
I chose you to be mine.
Before you left your mother's side
I called to you, my child, to be my sign. R.

I know that you are very young,
But I will make you strong
I'll fill you with my word;
And you will travel through the land,
Fulfilling my command
Which you have heard R.

And everywhere you are to go
My hand will follow you;
You will not be alone.
In all the danger that you fear
You'll find me very near,
Your words my own.

Love is his word, love is his way,
feasting with men, fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,
love, only love, is his way.

*Richer than gold is the love of my Lord,
Better than splendour or wealth.*

Love is his way, love is his mark,
Sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at the table, host to the twelve.
Love, only love, is his mark. *Chorus*

Love is his mark, love is his sign,
Bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
'This is my body, this is my blood.'
Love, only love, is his sign. *Chorus*

YEAR OF MERCY – SEE VIDEOS ON PARISH WEBSITE

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Creative Spirit Competition: for the Year of Mercy with the theme is Mercy in Action For 4-7 years, 8-12 years, 13-15 years and 16-18 years. Categories include Photo, Collage, Video, Artwork, Song, Story or Poem displaying the idea of **Mercy in Action**. Encourage children's liturgy groups, youth groups and schools in your parish to get involved, provide a few prizes, host a local exhibition of entries and do a bit of printing. Link to Competition Materials:

<https://onedrive.live.com/redir?resid=7F261FED9DC362D2!23787&authkey=!ACoqgGQs8BMEArk&ithint=folder%2cjpg>

This includes the Outline, Entry Form, Poster and Certificates. More details from siobhan.tighe@dublindiocese.ie

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	 <p>Please Pray for the Canonisation of Venerable Matt Talbot "Lord, in your servant, you have given us a wonderful example of triumph over addiction, of devotion to duty, and of lifelong reverence for the Holy Sacrament"</p> <p>www.matttalbot.ie</p>			
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