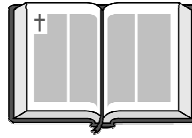


Today's readings

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20
1 Corinthians 7: 32-35
Mark 1: 21-28



FOURTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

28th JANUARY 2018

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
28th January to 4th February 2018.

The theme of Catholic Schools Week this year is
Catholic Schools: Families of Faith.

This week we give praise and thanks to God for all who work in the catholic schools in our parish. May the Lord continue to guide and bless them in their work in handing on the catholic faith to their pupils.

Thursday 1st February – Feast of St. Brigid.

Friday, 2nd February – Presentation of the Lord and World Day for Consecrated Life. Candles will be blessed at the 10.00 a.m. Mass. This Friday is the First Friday of the month – Benediction will take place following Mass.

Saturday, 3rd February – Feast of St. Blaise.

Blessing of Throats will take place following the 6 p.m. Mass. This Saturday is the First Saturday – Devotions at 5.30 p.m.

Altar Society Group 4 on duty this week



RECENT DEATH

We offer our sincere and prayerful sympathy to the family of:

Mary Geary, Rossa Avenue

May she rest in peace

THANK YOU

A special word of thanks to all those who made our church so beautiful for the Christmas season.

In many ways we show our faith visibly by the way we use and care for this sacred place of worship.

My thanks to the Dues Collectors who distributed and collected the envelopes, and to those who contributed to the Parish Christmas Dues. Your contributions are very much appreciated.

Finally, thank you also to those who contributed in any liturgical manner. Everything you did was so much appreciated by all the parishioners.

Fr. J. Criostóir Mac Donald, P.P.

THE ALLIANCE OF THE TWO HEARTS
NIGHT VIGIL OF REPARATION & ADORATION
2nd February. First Friday Mass at 9.30 p.m.
and also at midnight.
Vigil from 8.00 p.m. to 3.00 a.m.

Croí na Gaeilge (Tel 085 1426903 after 6 p.m. only.) is holding a Leaving Certificate 2018 Honours Irish 2-Day Exam Preparation Course: Oral Day Thursday February 15th/Written Day Sunday March 11th given by an experienced Oral Examiner/Teacher/exam corrector and open to all 6th Year Honours students. All topics will be covered.

MOBILE PHONES

OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE LITURGY WE ARE ABOUT TO CELEBRATE – PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES.

To speak with God, you do not need them.

As Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said some years ago; “Let us always endeavour to create an atmosphere of reverential silence from the moment we enter the Church.”

Let us always show courtesy towards those who wish to pray in this sacred place

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

By kind permission of His Lordship the Bishop the monthly collection in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will take place at the doors of this church on Saturday night/Sunday morning. 3rd/4th February 2018.

The collection for month of January amounted to €2,045.00

READING CLUB

The next meeting of the Curraheen Road Library Reading Club will take place on **Thursday 1st February at 6:30 p.m. in Bishopstown Library.** The Reading Club gives members an opportunity to develop spiritually using the resources of the Church library. *New members especially welcome as we start another year.*

CURRAHEEN FAMILY CENTRE

Activities for coming week

Mon. 10.30 a.m. Exercise & Relaxation. 2 p.m. Bridge.

Wed. 10.30 a.m. Learn all about Age Action with John O'Mahony.

Thurs. 10 a.m. Crafts Friday 10.30 a.m. Silk Painting.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

PIETRELCINA - SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO - ROME

16th – 24th APRIL, 2018.

The trip shall depart on Monday 16th April. It shall begin at San Giovanni where Padre Pio lived from 1916-1968. The trip will continue to Pietrelcina where Padre Pio was born in 1887.

It shall conclude in Rome for Vocations Sunday, where we shall be privileged to attend the Diocesan Ordinations presided over by Pope Francis. This is on the understanding that the Pope's diary will not change!

Our trip shall conclude on Tuesday 24th April, 2018.

Further details from Premier Travel – Tel: 4277700

Brochures are available at Church porches.

MARCH FOR LIFE

DUBLIN – 10th MARCH, 2018

Just in passing:

“Who am I to deny unborn children of future the right to life?” said Michael Healy Rae, T.D. on the 17th January in Dáil Éireann.

“If my viewpoint turns people against me and costs me my seat and the right to be here in this Chamber, I would gladly lose it.

Deputy Michael Healy Rae said “I want to stand up for the unborn children of the future. Who am I to deny them the right to life? Who am I to deny them the opportunity that I had to come into the world, lead a life and do everything to the best of my ability?”