

ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

KNOCK SUMMER YOUTH FESTIVAL:

Living life to the full? Looking for something more? This is what you're looking for! Time out for you... **Knock Summer Youth Festival 24th to 27th July** in Our Lady's Shrine, Knock, Co. May. Age strictly 18-35 yrs. Places are limited so book now. For more information and to book your place, please contact 094 9388100 / 087 6927850 or check out www.knock-shrine.ie/youthministry.

THE CARERS ASSOCIATION invites you to join the 'Care in the Home Training Course' Accredited by City & Guilds Institute, London. We will be running a new course for Family Carers and those wishing to pursue a Career in Caring in the Carers Resource Centre, Main Street, Blanchardstown starting **September 2008**. The Carers Association can offer this course to Family Carers at a cost of €50.00. For non-Family Carers for cost is €475.00. Please call Michelle or Jacqueline to confirm your attendance @ 01 8119564

YOUTH CONFERENCE: Takes place next **Sat. 21st June - Sun 22nd June** in All Hallows College, Drumcondra. The theme for the conference is "Holiness is for ordinary People". Everyone between the age of 18—40 is welcome to attend. For more details see the noticeboard at the back of the church.

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE: All going well, the final fix is taking place at the moment along with the painting. We hope to have the all the services connected over the next couple of weeks. Then it will be down to final fit out and finishing off the hard and soft landscaping over the next couple of weeks. The place is really looking well and will be a fantastic facility for our parish and for the wider community.

SUMMIT SUCCESS: Fr. Flor's expedition last Sunday was a huge success. Thanks to the weather, about 60 people, young and old, climbed the slopes of Kipur mountain. The views were spectacular taking in Upper and Lower Lough Bray. As this is an annual event, we hope to have another climb next year!

CASTLEKNOCK GAA: Football Mini Leagues are scheduled for **Mon 16th to Sat. 21st June** and are open to all budding young footballers from 4 to 12 years of age. These leagues are open to all boys and girls, members and non-members and will be run in a fun and friendly atmosphere. For all queries, please contact Club Coach Brendan Phelan on 0 8 5 1 3 2 9 3 9 7 .

CASTLEKNOCK GAA SUMMER CAMP 2008: There are three camps this Summer. **Week 1—Mon 7th to Fri 11th July** (Hurling), **Week 2 Mon 14th to Fri 18th July** (Football—This is the Cul Camp), **Week 3 Mon 18th to Fri 22nd August** (Combined Camp—Hurling and Football). **Registration** dates are **7th, 14th & 21st June** at Tir na nOg (beside Castleknock Community College) between 10 & 11.30 am. For all queries, please contact Club Coach Brendan Phelan on 085 1329397. **GAA SUMMER CAMPS AT WEST-MANSTOWN:** Westmanstown Gaels Juvenile Club are holding a GAA Summer Camp sponsored by VHI Cul Camp from **30th June to 4th July from 10 am to 2.30 pm**. The Camp is open to Boys and Girls from 5 years upwards and beginners are welcome. A second camp will be held from **18th August to 22nd August**. The price for either week is €65.00 per child. To book a place or for further information, please contact Grace O'Boyle at 086 0582453 or e.mail secretary@westmanstowngaels.com.



KIDS CORNER: Having listened to the readings, please answer the following:

1. What did Jesus say that the people were like?
2. How many apostles are there?
3. What are their names?
4. What did Jesus ask them to do?

TASK FOR THE WEEK: Its exam time at the moment. Maybe you have an older brother or sister doing the Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate. Don't forget it's Fathers Day today. So remember to say a wee prayer for your dad and also say "thank you" to him.

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ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

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PARISH NEWSLETTER 15TH JUNE, 2008

11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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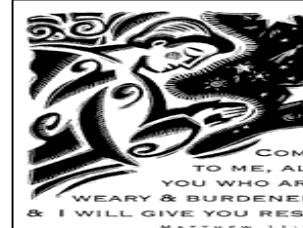
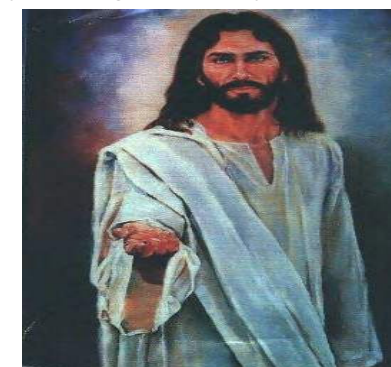
Parish Finance Committee: Chairperson Colm O'Neill

Parish Web Address: www.stmochtasparrish.ie

Parish Office Hours : Monday - Friday : 9.30am – 12.30pm

HE HAD COMPASSION ON THEM

The person in misery does not need a look
that judges and criticizes,
but a comforting presence.
Jesus looked at the ordinary people,
and seeing how needy they were,
he had compassion on them and began to minister to them.
Compassion means that I suffer with you;
I accept into my heart the misery in your;
I become one with you in your pain.
I may not be able to relieve that pain,
but by understanding it and sharing it,
I make it possible for you to bear it.
Lord, give us warm and generous hearts
so that we may be agents of your compassion to others.



Please pray for those who are sick or housebound at this time:

Irene Hoey, Sheila Doyle, Bridget Matthews, Harry Silcock, June Shannon, Stuart O'Neill, Margo Lynn, Thomas Monks, Bernie Byrne and Doug Boucher, Cathy Hayden.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Vera McLaughlin (Anniv.)
8.30 am: Int. of the Parish
10.30 am: Liam McLoughlin (Anniv.)
12.00 pm: Patrick Murphy (Anniv.)

EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

Monday:

10.00 am: Int. of Cathy Hayden (ill)

Tuesday:

10.00 am: Bernie Maher R.I.P.

Wednesday:

10.00 am: Service of Word and Communion

Thursday: St. Romuald

10.00 am: Int. of Irene Hoey (ill)

Friday:

10.00 am: Denis O'Riordan (Anniv.)

Saturday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga

10.00 am: Mass of Thanksgiving

11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Connie Kennedy (Anniv.)
8.30 am: Int. of Pope Benedict
10.30 am: Michelle Moore (Anniv.)
12.00 pm

EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are a new parishioner or just visiting St. Mochta's you are very welcome and we, the existing community, hope you feel at home. If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to Fr. John. I would be also grateful if you could fill out a **Registration Form** in order to register with the parish. These can be found at the back of the Church.

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

Are you on the parish data base? If you have not registered with the parish please fill out one of the forms at the back of the church and return it to Fr. John. It is very important that we continue to build our data base and keep it up to date. Thank you.

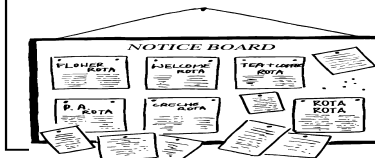
PARISH OFFICE: For all parish enquires please ring our secretary June on 8213218 or email: secretary@stmochtasparrish.ie **Our parish office is open Monday to Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm.**

PARISH WEBSITE: The address for our new site is: www.stmochtasparrish.ie

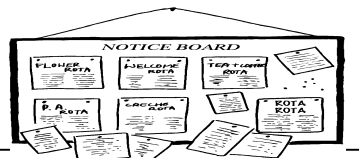
MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to have Mass offered for someone or offered for a particular intention please see our sacristan Michael after Mass. Thank you.

CONFESSION: the sacrament is celebrated each Saturday from 6.00pm 6.45pm or by appointment. The sacrament offers you an opportunity to receive the Lord's forgiveness and healing.

HOSPITAL VISITATION: If you know of a parishioner who is sick and would like a visit please don't hesitate to contact Fr. John.



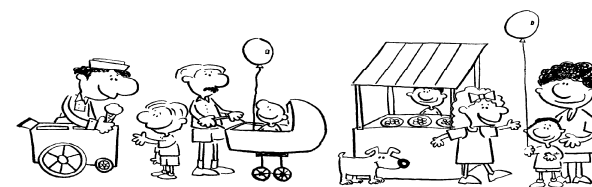
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WORLD YOUTH DAY PREPARATION:

The last of the preparation days for WYD 08 took place on May 11th at Arran Quay with Bishop Ray Field attending. We began with a chance to meet some more of the pilgrims for the last time before heading for Australia, and all three of us took full advantage of this opportunity because it was stressed to us how important it is to know at least some, if not all of the people you are travelling with in order to maximize the enjoyment of the trip. We read the story of the Good Samaritan as a group next and in groups of two or three discussed particular words, lines or phrases which spoke to us and then a few daring souls stood in front of everyone to share their thoughts. The details of our trip were then given to us in a joint presentation by Gerard and Geraldine – the two people in charge of co-coordinating CYC's involvement in World Youth Day. The evening was rounded off with an address from Bishop Field who will be travelling to Melbourne and Sydney with us and then a celebration of Pentecost Mass. Our three representatives, Maria, James and Patrick will speak at our Masses this weekend to fill us in on their final preparations. **There will be a church gate collection at all the Masses this weekend to help fund the pilgrimage of our three youth to Australia for World Youth Day. Thank you for your support.**

ST MOCHTA'S PARISH PICNIC: This year's Parish Picnic will be held **today Sunday 15th June** beginning after 12 o'clock Mass. It will be held in the usual place, the park behind the church. It is always a great family fun day and all are welcome to attend. We will be looking for helpers to tidy up afterwards. So if you can help please see Fr. John after Mass. Don't be shy there is plenty of work for you to do!!!!



SCRIPTURE READING: Each week we suggest a piece of Scripture to use in your prayer. Light a candle and read slowly the passage, re-read it a couple of times and reflect on it and listen to what God is saying to you. **This week's is Mt 10:26-33.**

WEEKLY REFLECTION

THE JAR AND 2 CUPS OF COFFEE

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, he wordlessly picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was. The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was. The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with an unanimous 'yes.' The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed. 'Now,' said the professor as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things---your family, your children, your health, your friends and your favourite passions---and if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house and your car. The sand is everything else---the small stuff. 'If you put the sand into the jar first,' he continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff you will never have room for the things that are important to you. 'Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Spend time with your children. Spend time with your parents.. Visit with grandparents. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your spouse out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal. Take care of the golf balls first---the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.' One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled and said, 'I'm glad you asked.' The coffee just shows you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.'



WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to **Tom Falgiano and Orla Cloak, Brian Lawlor and Charlene Brazil and Owen McGuirk and Siobhan O'Toole** who were married this past week. May the Lord continue to bless them and deepen their love in the years ahead.

NEW CHRISTIANS:

We welcome **Laoise, Megan and David** who join our community through the waters of baptism this weekend. May they continue to grow strong in body, mind, and spirit in the years ahead. Anyone enquiring about baptism please take one of the leaflets from the back of the church. Thank you



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES:

Because of growing numbers for the blessing of the graves in St. Mary's Cemetery, Clonsilla, it has been decided to move the annual celebration to the summer. It will now take place

next Sunday, 22nd June 2008 at 3.00 pm. The Blessing of the Graves in **Mulhuddart Cemetery** takes place on **Sunday 29th June at 3pm.** All are welcome to attend. (The Castleknock Churchyard blessing will be in November as usual.)

GATHERING OF PARISH COUNCILS: This morning (Sat.) 54 Parish Councils gathered in the parish of Brackenstown, Swords, for a workshop on social justice. The theme for the morning was, "Who is my Neighbour?" and the gathering explored the idea of how we as a parish can look after our neighbour. How can we help build community and what can we do to help make the stranger feel welcome. Half of our own Parish Council attended. The morning finished with lunch which gave council members an opportunity to get to know each other.