

ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

CASTLEKNOCK CELTIC SUMMER SOCCER CAMP 2008 will hold a camp from **Mon-Fri 18th August to 22nd August** from **9.30 am to 3.30 pm** in **Blanchardstown Institute of Technology**. Registration **Wednesday, 30th July from 7pm to 8 pm** in **Laurel Lodge Community Centre**. Application form and details on www.castlekockceltic.com or contact Philip on 087 4138099.

CASTLEKNOCK GAA CAMP 2008: There are a limited number of places left for the Camp in **August— Mon 18th to Fri 22nd** (Combined Camp—Hurling and Football). For further information please contact Brendan Phelan, Coach on 085 1329397.

WESTMANSTOWN GAA SUMMER CAMP: Westmanstown Gaels Juvenile Club are holding a GAA Summer camp sponsored by VHI Cul Camp from **Mon-Fri 18th August to 22nd August from 10 am to 2.30 pm**. The price is €65.00 per child. For further details or to book a place please contact Grace O'Boyle at 086 0582453 or e.mail secretary@westmanstowngaels.com

A LITTLE SUMMER HUMOUR: Three aspiring psychiatrists, from three universities, were attending their first class on emotional extremes. Just to establish some parameters,' said the professor to the student from Oxford University, 'What is the opposite of joy?' 'Sadness' said the student. 'And the opposite of depression?' he asked the young lady from Cambridge. 'Elation,' she said.. 'And you, sir,' he said to the student from Dublin University, 'How about the opposite of woe?' The student replied 'I believe that would be giddy up' !!!!

After getting all of Pope Benedict's luggage loaded into the limo, and He doesn't travel light, the driver notices that the Pope is still standing on the kerb. 'Excuse me, Your Holiness,' says the driver, 'Would you please take your seat so we can leave?' Well, to tell you the truth,' says the Pope, 'they never let me drive at the Vatican , and I'd really like to drive today.' 'I'm sorry but I cannot let you do that. I'd lose my job! And what if something should happen?' protests the driver, wishing he'd never gone to work that morning. 'There might be something extra in it for you,' says the Pope. Reluctantly, the driver gets in the back as the Pope climbs in behind the wheel. The driver quickly regrets his decision when, after exiting the airport, the Pontiff floors it, accelerating the limo to 105mph. 'Please slow down, Your Holiness!!!' pleads the worried driver, but the Pope keeps the pedal to the metal until they hear sirens. 'Oh, dear God, I'm gonna lose my License,' moans the driver. The Pope pulls over and rolls down the window as the cop approaches, but the cop takes one look at him, goes back to his motorcycle, and gets on the radio. 'I need to talk to the Chief,' he says to the dispatcher. The Chief gets on the radio and the cop tells him that he's stopped a limo going a hundred and five. 'So bust him,' says the Chief. 'I don't think we want to do that - he's really important,' said the cop. The Chief exclaimed, 'All the more reason!' 'No, I mean really important,' said the cop. The Chief then asked, 'Who have you got there, the Mayor?' 'Cop: 'Bigger. 'Chief: 'Governor?' 'Cop: 'Bigger.' 'Well,' said the Chief, 'Who is it?' 'Cop: 'I think it's God!' 'Chief: 'What makes you think it's God?' Cop: 'He's got the Pope as a chauffeur!'



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

1. What did Jesus say the kingdom of God was like?
2. What should we do when we find it?
3. Why is it so special?
4. Where have members of the parish gone this week to pray?

TASK FOR THE WEEK: Well, the school year is over hooray, I hear you say. If you are heading away on holiday soon have a wonderful time and remember that its summer holidays for the rest of your family too. So don't forget to help out at home more too.

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

PARISH NEWSLETTER 27TH July, 2008

17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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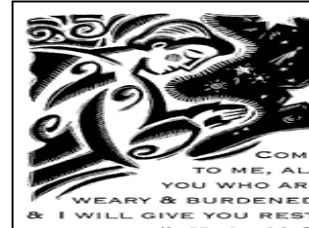
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Parish Office Hours : Monday - Friday : 9.30am – 12.30pm

TREASURE HUNTERS

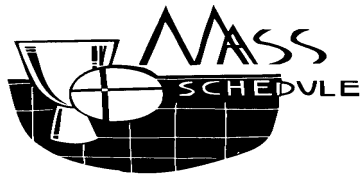
All of us are searchers and treasure-hunters in the sense that we are looking for happiness. The goal is legitimate, but it may be that we are looking in the wrong place. Jesus said, 'Where your treasure is, there will your heart be too.' So if we want to know what our treasure is, all we have to do is ask ourselves where our heart is. What is it that we love, that we pursue with all our hearts? There lies our treasure.



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

Irene Hoey, Sheila Doyle, Bridget Matthews, Bernie Byrne, Carol Meehan, Stuart O'Neill, Joe Reilly, Maureen Malone.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Lucy & John O'Rourke (Anniv)
8.30 am: Intentions for the Parish
10.30 am: Intentions of the Sick of the Parish
12.00 pm: Intentions of Lourdes Pilgrims
EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

Monday:

10.00 am: Int. of Maureen Malone

Tuesday: St. Martha

10.00 am: Special Intention

Wednesday: St. Peter Chrysologus

10.00 am: Service of Word and Communion

Thursday: St. Ignatius of Loyola

10.00 am: John Silcock (Anniv.)

Friday: St. Alphonsus Liguori

10.00 am: Altar List of the Dead

Saturday:

10.00 am: Mass of Thanksgiving

18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm:
8.30 am: Intentions for the Parish
10.30 am: Alan Moore M/M
12.00 pm: Kathleen Munster M/M
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.

PASTORAL CENTRE MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE: This is a newly formed group that will coordinate the day to day running of our new Pastoral Centre. There is a meeting this coming **Thursday, 31st July at 8pm** in the house. All members are asked to attend.

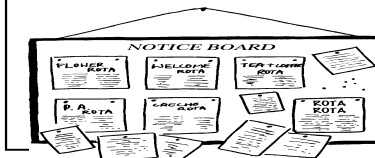
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH is celebrated this coming Friday. On this day communion is brought to the sick and housebound of the parish. If you know of anyone who would like a visit and receive the Body of Christ, please contact Fr. John. Morning Mass is offered for all those whose names appear of the Altar List of the Dead.



WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to **Simon Lyster and Joanna Cavanan, Andrew Keane and Barbara Costello and David Deering and Joeleen Tang** 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 **Max, Roisin, Sean and Olivia** 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.



PARISH NEWS



WEEKLY REFLECTION

At the end of the day

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a net cast into the sea which catches all kinds of fish.

When it is full, the fisherman hauls it ashore.

Then he sits down and sorts out the good fish from the bad.

The good he keeps, the worthless he throws away.

In a sense, all of us are fishers.

Each day we cast our net into the sea of life.

And at the end of the day we have a catch, sometimes small, sometimes large.

May we take time to sift through that catch.

And may you, Lord, give us the wisdom to know what to keep and what to throw away.

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 14:13-21.**



HAPPY HOLIDAYS: Now that the schools are closed people will be taking to the hills, beaches and to the air. To all those heading away on holidays this coming week we wish you rest, enjoyment and renewal. We look forward to welcoming you back looking well tanned and rested. **Enjoy, enjoy, enjoy!!!!!!**

CLONMACNOIS YOUTH FESTIVAL:

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Clonmacnois, Co. Offaly, **Thursday 14th August to Sunday, 17th August, 2008.** For young people age 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new friends. Donation only. FREE buses available from around the country. For more information, contact 01 6753690 or check our websites: www.youth2000.ie

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE: The ESB is now connected in the Centre along with the sewage we are just awaiting Eircom and Board Gais to complete our list of services. The tarmac can then be laid and landscaping finished. The month of August will be used to "fit out" the building with furniture etc. Fingers crossed we are still on course for opening in September.

