

## ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

### MONASTIC EXPERIENCE—WEEKEND

**FOR WOMEN:** Carmelite Monastery, Delgany, Co. Wicklow. Single women interested in finding out more about A Carmelite Monastic Vocation are invited to join in our life of prayer, liturgy and work for the weekend 28th to 30th August—Preferred age 25 to 45. For more information visit our website [www.carmelitemonasterydelgany.ie](http://www.carmelitemonasterydelgany.ie), email [contact@carmelitemonasterydelgany.ie](mailto:contact@carmelitemonasterydelgany.ie) or write to Prioress, Carmelite Monastery, Delgany, Co. Wicklow.

**ST. MOCHTA'S WAY:** The first bricks for our St. Mochta's Way went down a few weeks ago. They look great. We are currently taking orders for the next batch of bricks which will be sent off by the end of the summer. **All the details are in the leaflets at the back of the church.** All proceeds are going to service the debt from the building of our new Parish Pastoral Centre. Thank you for your support.

### H1N1 SWINE FLU ADVICE:

The number of cases seems to be increasing and it is therefore important to take preventative steps to reduce the risk of contracting the virus. Respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette are key measures everyone should use at all times to prevent the transmission of respiratory infections. If you develop influenza-like symptoms you should: Stay at home to avoid spreading infection to others and remain off work for at least 7 days or until the symptoms have subsided Contact your GP/ Family doctor by phone to explain the situation or phone the HSE Information Line 1850 241 850 (8am -8pm Mon Sat) or call the HSE Flu Information Line (recorded information ) **Free Phone 1800 94 11 00**



**SENIOR HELP LINE:** Do you need someone to talk to? Senior Help Line is a confidential listening service for older people by older people for the price of a local call anywhere in Ireland, **LoCall 1850 440444**. Senior Help Line is open every day from 10am-4pm and 7pm-10pm 365 days.

### CASTLEKNOCK GAA SUMMER CAMPS:

The Camps are run by qualified coaches and are designed to ensure enjoyment and fun. There are a limited number of places left for the **Hurling & Football Camp** from **17th to 21st August**. Please contact Brendan for details on 085 1329397 or see [www.castleknock.net](http://www.castleknock.net).

**LUTTRELLSTOWN CASTLE:** Dublin's most unique, intimate and highly personalized special venue, Luttrellstown Castle is set in the grandeur and elegance of a five hundred and sixty acre walled estate, just west of Dublin, a unique and peaceful setting for your perfect event or Wedding Day. The tree lined avenue approach to the Castle heightens and anticipates your arrival to this famous and historic landmark venue. I am delighted to announce that Luttrellstown Castle will reopen from July 2009. Currently taking bookings for Events and Weddings at the Castle. If you would like to arrange a site inspection please contact me—[LSinclair@luttrellstown.ie](mailto:LSinclair@luttrellstown.ie)—and I would be delighted to arrange an appointment for you. Please see information on the Venue on our website [www.luttrellstowncastle.com](http://www.luttrellstowncastle.com)



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

1. When Jesus saw the crowds how did he feel?
2. What food did the disciples have to feed them?
3. What was the first thing Jesus did with the food?
4. How much food was left over?



**TASK FOR THE WEEK:** 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 26TH JULY 2009**

**17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

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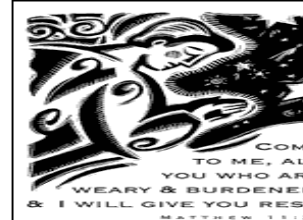


## FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

In the Eucharist we taste the love of God. The proof that we have experienced that love will be our willingness to love others.

We may be able to give only in small ways and in small amounts.

However, from the little boy in the Gospel we see that a small amount can become a big amount when placed in the hands of the Lord.



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

**Sarah Harris, Miriam Soughley, Ruth Dayman, Gillian Dowling.**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



### 17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Anne Lacey (2nd Anniv.)

8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish

10.30 am Toddy Hughes & Angela Hunt (Anniv.)

12.00 pm Joseph Scarff (Anniv)

**EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm**

#### Monday:

10.00 am: Michael Murphy (Anniv)

#### Tuesday:

10.00 am: Intentions of the Sick of the Parish

#### Wednesday: St. Martha

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

#### Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus

10.00 am Special Intention

#### Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola

10.00 am Int. of Rose Dolan

#### Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori

10.00 am Intentions of the Pope

### 18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Lucy & John O'Rourke (Anniv.)

8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish

10.30 am

12.00 pm

**EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm**

**NEW CHRISTIANS:** We welcome **Oran, Alannah, Cillian, Mackenzie and Rián** 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.



**ANGELUS PRAYER CARDS:** We have printed an **Angelus Prayer Card** to commemorate the new bell system. The Angelus will ring from the church bell at midday and 6pm each day from now on. It is a reminder during this year of Evangelisation of the call to prayer and to take a few moments each day to stop and pray in thanks to God. The prayer cards will be distributed at all the Masses this weekend.

## 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](mailto:secretary@stmochtasparrish.ie) **Our parish office is open Monday to Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm.**

**PARISH WEBSITE:** The address for our site is: [www.stmochtasparrish.ie](http://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, Mary after Mass.

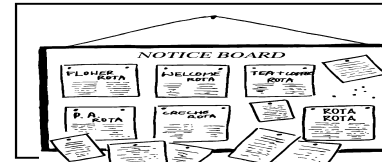
**CONFESSION:** the sacrament is celebrated each Saturday from 6.00pm 6.45pm or by appointment. The sacrament offers you an opportunity to receive the Lord's forgiveness and healing.

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

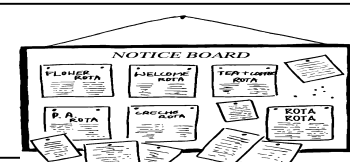
**COFFEE DOCK ALERT!** The Sunday Coffee Dock **will close for the month of August.** We would like to say a big THANK YOU to all our volunteers and customers. The success of the Coffee Dock depends on your support. We hope to see you all again on Sunday, 6th September when we will re-open for business! Enjoy the rest of the Summer. Go raibh mile maith agaibh go léir!

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

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** There is a meeting for all committee members on Tuesday 28th at 8pm in the Parish Centre. Thank you.



# PARISH NEWS



**FR. JOE CAFFREY R.I.P.:** Fr. Joe had helped out in our parish for a number of years and was laid to rest on Saturday after a short illness. Fr. Joe was born in Dublin on the 11th Feb. 1939 and schooled with the Christian Brothers. He joined the Marist Fathers in Milltown and transferred to their American Province in 1962. He was ordained in Washington in 1963 and then taught in the Marist School in Cleveland, Ohio. He move to Marish High School in Atlanta the following year and while teaching he completed his maters in Education and qualified as grade 1 coach in soccer and a grade 1 referee. These qualifications were achieved with a view to developing youth soccer in Georgia State. He helped found and became secretary and later president of the Georgia State Soccer Association and vice president for youth of the United States Soccer Federation. After 24 years teaching he moved to serve in full time parish ministry and became parish priest in Atlanta, and later transferring to Florida and worked in a number of parishes there. He retired to Ireland in 2002 and continued to work serving the Dominican Sisters and helping out in our own parish. We give thanks to God for all the good work that Fr. Joe did throughout his ministry and we pray that he may be enjoying his reward with God. May he rest in Peace. Amen.

### THE SMALL BENTITUDES

Blessed are those who can laugh at themselves;

They will have no end of fun.

Blessed are those who can tell

a mountain from a molehill;

They will be saved a lot of bother.

Blessed are those who think before acting

and pray before thinking;

They will avoid many blunders.

Blessed are those who know how to relax

without looking for excuses;

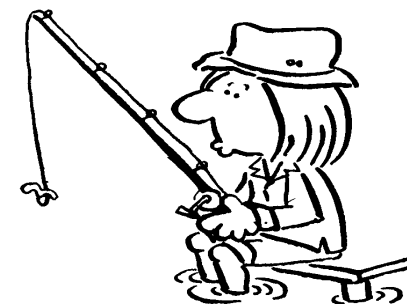
They are on the way to becoming wise.

Above all, blessed are you who recognize the Lord

in all whom you meet;

The light of truth shines in your life

for you have found true wisdom.



### WEEKLY REFLECTION

#### Discovering one's own riches

I lived on the shady side of the road and watched my neighbours' gardens across the way revelling in the sunshine.

I felt I was poor

and from door to door went in my hunger.

The more they gave me from their careless abundance the more I became aware

of my beggar's bowl.

Till one morning I awoke from my sleep

at the sudden opening of my door

and you came and asked for alms.

In despair I broke open the lid of my chest

and was startled into finding my own wealth.

**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 Jn 6:24-35.**

**HANDING ON THE FAITH:** "Walking along a beach recently, I found myself alongside a family group whose tiniest member was learning to walk. Safely between the helping hands of his parents, his older sister running ahead, encouraging him, the little boy was determined to go it alone which he did for about three paces! When he fell flat on his face into a small puddle, and was about to unleash screams of either fear or frustration, his father silently and calmly reached out to him. I will never forget the transformation as the tiny boy took the hand and looked up. Completely reassured, he continued on his way and, with a palpable inner confidence, made it with another ten paces before falling again. This time he didn't even consider screaming, and the whole family delighted in his achievement as he got himself up and set off again. His mother was completely engrossed and overjoyed, the little 'big' sister jumped up and down with excitement, and the smiling father followed him at a protective distance. It was such a simple and yet very moving reminder of a basic truth of being human. We all share a fundamental need for love and security, for encouragement and help with our development. We need acceptance in failure as well as in success, and this need is in us in infancy and throughout our lives." (extract taken from article on Catholic Ireland.net)