

ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

PARISH GOLF DAY::

This year our Golf Classic will be held on **Thursday 17th September**. One of the big attractions on the day will be the opportunity to win a brand new **Mercedes car** at our "Holy hole-in-one" competition on one of the par three holes. This year will be our last time to hold the event in Luttrellstown Castle Golf & Country Club. So the day offers us a final chance to play this magnificent course before it closes at the end of the year. **We have a shot gun start at 2pm. Entry for a team of 4 is €500 euro and includes a four course dinner with wine.** You will also have an opportunity to win a brand new car with our hole-in-one competition. Even if you do not play golf you can help support the day by sponsorship of one of the holes (€50). All proceeds raised will go the pay off the debt on our new Parish Pastoral Centre which is currently over €400k. **For more details please pick up a leaflet at the back of the church or see Fr. John after Mass.**

CASTLEKNOCK GAA: Nursery for 4 to 7 year old boys & girls takes place on Saturdays from 10am to 11.30am at Tir na nOg (beside Castleknock Community College). All are very welcome to learn the skills of Hurling & Football in a fun and friendly environment. New Players also welcome at all ages just contact Brendan on 085 1329397. Go on, give it a go.

PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: The Parent and Toddler Group will recommence in St. Mochta's Parish Pastoral Centre next **Tuesday, 8th September between 9.45am and 11.45am.** Cost: €3 per adult and 50c per child. Everyone welcome! From Baby to School Going Age. For further information email mary-oriordan@hotmail.com or call into the Parish Office between 10.30am and 12.30pm—Mon-Fri.



FRENCH for children 3-13 years:

La Jolie Ronde French classes had a very successful first term in St. Mochta's Parish Centre: some 30 children learn a lot of French through games, songs and rhymes. French native teacher is using the excellent La Jolie Ronde methodology (www.lajolieronde.co.uk) with excellent books & CDs to practise between classes. Very young children learn French so easily and it is an excellent preparation for secondary school for older children. Small classes per age group. Enrolment is now taking place for new term starting early in September 2009. A few places are available in particular in the pre-school class and 7 years + so to ensure your child starts this September, please contact Mrs Sabine Maher on 087 227 9027 or 01 442 8237. Merci!



YOGA CLASSES continue at the Parish Pastoral Centre: Jakki's Yoga Classes are on every **TUESDAY evening at 8pm.** Yoga is for everyone regardless of age or levels of fitness. Classes run for an hour and a half over six weeks and cost €80 or if you would like to come and try it out for a session the cost is €15. If your interested in joining or to book your place or at other classes in the area contact Jakki at **086 0792469.**

UNISLIM AT THE CENTRE: Unislim classes will start on **Wednesday 9th September** at 7pm in the Parish Centre offering a holistic approach to weight management with their programme "Let's eat ourselves slim" which can be viewed at www.unislim.ie. For further information contact Triona at 087 8332194 or come along on the evening.

COMMUNITY DAY AT IT BLANCHARDSTOWN next Sunday, **13th September** from **1pm to 5pm.** There will also be a book sale in aid of the Dublin 15 Hospice on the day. Enjoy the fun and games, bouncy castle, music, farmers market and lots more. All welcome.



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

1. Who did the people bring to Jesus?
2. What did they want Jesus to do for him?
3. What did Jesus say to the man?
4. Why did the people admire Jesus?

TASK FOR THE WEEK: Having just finished one week back at school, choose someone from your class and from your home and say a little prayer for them everyday this week. Remember them each morning and ask God to look after them, to help them when they are finding something new hard to do and ask him to stay by their side to help them.

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

PARISH NEWSLETTER 6TH SEPTEMBER 2009 23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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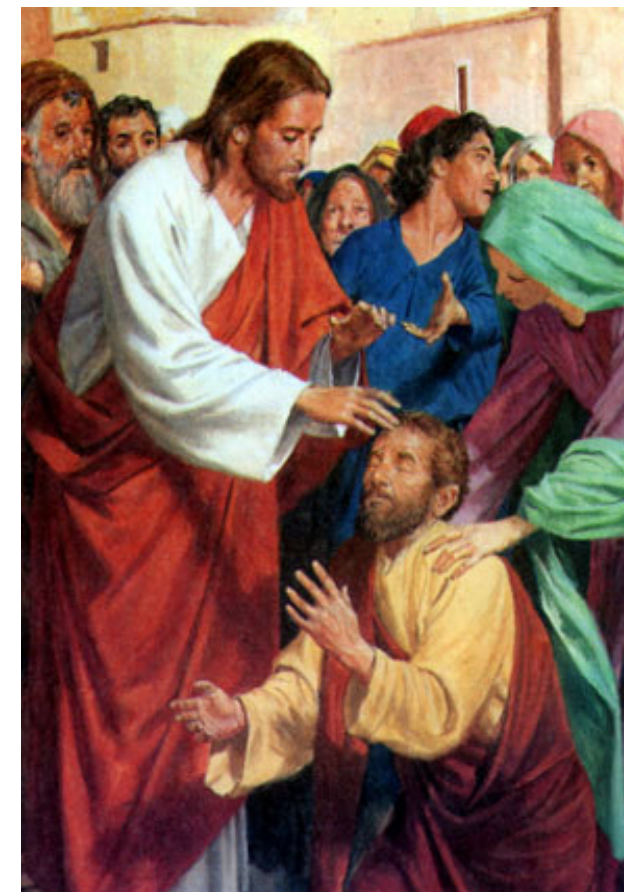
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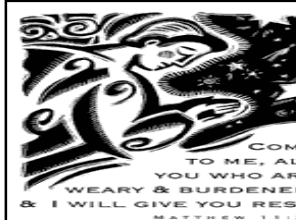
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The Deaf Hear and the Dumb Speak

Jesus made the deaf hear and the dumb speak. A person could have perfect hearing, and yet not hear the world of God. And a person could have perfect speech, and be unable to make an act of faith. We need God to touch our ears in order to be able to hear his word, and we need him to touch our tongues in order to be able to profess our faith.



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

Sarah Harris, Miriam Soughley, Ruth Dayman, Eileen O'Shea, Michael O'Kane, Baby Elliott, Chris Bruton, Harry Silcock.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Bernadette Brennan (Anniv)
8.30 am: Intentions of the Sick of the Parish
10.30 am Dorothy Davis R.I.P.
12.00 pm Benny Clerkin RIP
EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

Monday:

10.00 am: Mass of Thanksgiving for new baby

Tuesday: The Birthday of Our Lady

10.00 am: Special Intention

Wednesday: Sts. Ciaran & Peter Claver

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

Thursday:

10.00 am Special Intention

Friday:

10.00 am Int. of New Diocesan Pastoral Workers

Saturday:

10.00 am Special Intention

24TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm:
8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish
10.30 am
12.00 pm John Rush (Anniv.)
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 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, 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.

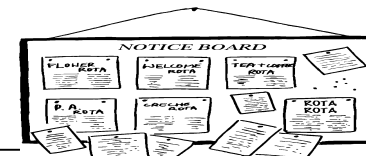
HOSPITAL VISITATION: If you know of a parishioner who is sick and would like a visit please don't hesitate to contact Fr. John.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE: There is a meeting for all members of the Finance Committee on **Monday 7th of September** at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

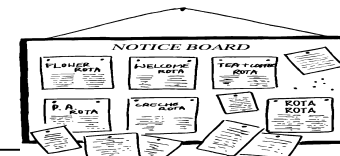
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: There is a meeting for all members of the Pastoral Council on **Monday, 14th September** at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

SVP CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: The St. Vincent de Paul collection for September takes place after each Mass this weekend. Last months collection amounted to **€776.64** for which St. Mochta's Conference are most grateful.

COFFEE DOCK ALERT: The Coffee Dock will reopen this weekend after the 12 O'Clock mass. Please call in and join us for a cuppa. Rosters for the Reception & Coffee Dock volunteers are available in the Sacristy after Mass. Also, please see the notice board at the back of the church.



PARISH NEWS



PATRICK MARTIN RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat who died last Sunday after a long illness. Requiem Mass was celebrated for the repose of his soul on Wednesday morning. Pat was laid to rest in St. Mary's, Clonsilla. We offer our sympathy to his wife Maribel and their children Julian, Olivia, Patricia, Charlie, Peter, Patrick and Maria. May he rest in peace. Amen

CROSSCARE: The Annual Collection for **CROSSCARE**—The Social Care Agency of the Dublin Diocese—will be at all masses **NEXT** weekend (**12th/13th Sept**). It will replace the normal SHARE collection. CROSSCARE is involved in a wide variety of social projects in Archdiocese of Dublin. Since it was founded over 65 years ago CROSSCARE has continued to seek to redress poverty and social exclusion. It continues to develop new and innovative programmes and to sponsor new research to help inform policy on combating poverty and exclusion. In reaching out those most in need CROSSCARE operates 11 programmes throughout the Diocese. Please give us your support at all masses next weekend.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC?: Are you or someone you know interested in finding out more about the Christian Faith and the Catholic Church. If so please contact Fr. John after Mass or make enquiries to the Parish Office. We will begin our preparation for Adults wishing to be baptised or indeed make their 1st Communion or be Confirmed in the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil next Easter soon.



NEW ALTAR SERVERS: We are looking for new servers to join our team. Our new servers will need to have made their 1st Holy Communion. If you are interested in helping to serve at one of the Sunday Masses please see Fr. John after mass. Boys and Girls are very welcome to join.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The Children's Liturgy will start this weekend at the 10.30 and 12 o'clock masses. We welcome our teams again and thank them for their support of this celebration for children. We are also looking for new members. There will be a meeting of the Children's Liturgy Group on **Tuesday 8th September at 8pm** in the Pastoral Centre.



WEEKLY REFLECTION

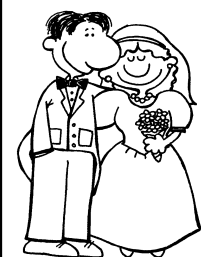
The gift of hearing is a precious gift.
But it is only with the heart
that we can hear rightly.
The cry of a needy person may reach our ears,
but unless it reaches our heart
we will not feel the person's pain,
and it is unlikely that we will respond.
And the gift of speech is a precious gift.
But again it is only with the heart
that we can speak rightly.
For our words to ring true,
they much come from the heart.
If they come only from the lips
they will have a hollow sound
and will have little effect.
They will be like a wind that ruffles the surface of
the water but leaves the depths untouched.
But words that come from the heart,
enter the heart.

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 Mk 8:27-35.**

BETHANY GROUP: Is the name given to a support group for those who have been recently bereaved. We would like to start a such a group in the parish for our own community. We will have a general meeting on **Monday 28th of September at 8pm** in the Parish Centre for all interested in joining such a group or finding our more about the Bethany group.

CALLIGRAPHER WANTED: Fr. John is looking for someone with the artistic skill of Calligrapher to make entries to our various registrar's in the parish. If you can offer this gift to the parish please see Fr. John after Mass or contact the parish office during the week. Thank you.

YOUTH CHOIR: The Youth Choir will return to rehearsals next **Saturday the 12th, at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre**, and will be singing at the 12 o'clock mass on Sunday 13th September. Rehearsals will resume every second Thursday evening in the centre at 7.30pm from 24th September. The Youth Choir would like to welcome new members. So if you are age 12+ and would like to join them to sing or to play a musical instrument please see Fr John or Mary GreeneByrne after mass.



WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to **Daragh O'Shaughnessy and Sinead Cogan** and **Richard Keating and Orlagh Ross** 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 **Nicole, Mollie, Reuben and Zach** 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. Thank you.

