

## ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

### FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD:

We are taking final orders for bricks for St. Mochta's Way over **the next week**. All the details are in the applications forms at the back of the church. All the proceeds for the bricks are going to pay the debt on our new parish pastoral center. So go on, have your name engraved on the yellow brick road!!

**WESTMANSTOWN YOUTH RUGBY:** for under 7's to under 12's holds training every Sunday from 11am to 12pm at Rugby pitches in Westmanstown Sports and Recreation Centre. All children welcome to come and train. Mini-rugby is a version of rugby that is specially designed to emphasise skill and technique and which gradually introduces the more physically demanding aspects of rugby as the player gets older. It is designed with the players' safety and enjoyment as the primary goals. For further information **contact Damien Maher: (086) 2458824 or Eamonn Henry (086) 8281781.**

**PARENT & TODDLER GROUP and PARENT & INFANT GROUP** Please Note: Groups will **NOT meet** over the midterm break (27th & 28th Oct.).

**UNISLIM:** For this week only at Unislim. Registration (usually €20) is free. New members only pay the €10 weekly fee. Offer available by texting Triona on 087 8332194 for invite. Weigh in every Wednesday at 7pm with motivational talk at 7.30pm. For more info. go to [www.unislim.com](http://www.unislim.com).

**ASIST—Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training:** A two day skills-building workshop in suicide first-aid. Suitable for all kinds of caregivers—professional workers, volunteers, people responding to family, friends and co-workers. For more information please contact Caroline Lennon-Nally, HSE Dublin North East (North Dublin) on 01 8823403.

**EMMAUS** are holding a number of workshops and retreats at their centre in Swords. For more information, please see the notice board at the back of the church or phone 01 8700050.

**CHILD PROTECTION:** There is obviously heightened awareness in the public sphere concerning child protection issues in the Church and in the Archdiocese of Dublin in particular, a publication of the report of the Commission of Investigation into the Archdiocese of Dublin is imminent. We must first consider those who have been directly affected and assure them of our complete support, if needed and when requested. It is important to remind you that in this Diocese, guidelines in this area are operated to a high standard.

- **Safeguarding Children** from the National Board for Safeguarding children in the Catholic Church is the most up to date church policy and is available at [www.safeguardingchildren.ie](http://www.safeguardingchildren.ie)
- The state guidelines **Children First** apply in all our schools and Guidelines in the Diocese are consistent with state policy. [www.dohc.ie/publications/children\\_first.html](http://www.dohc.ie/publications/children_first.html)
- Anyone in this parish working with children—employees, volunteers and priests are required to participate in Garda Vetting. Details of that process are available at [www.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.dublindiocese.ie)
- The Child protection policy that operates in this parish is available from the parish office and sacristy.
- In this parish we have two Child Protection Representatives (**Michael Stacey & Jackie Sherwood**) who can be contacted at 01 8213218.
- It is of utmost importance that anyone who may have suffered abuse or who knows of anyone who may have suffered abuse is aware that they can contact the Child Protection Service of the Archdiocese at 01 8360314. Their website is [www.cps.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.cps.dublindiocese.ie)
- Every effort is made to try and ensure that children participating in all aspects of parish life are safe and welcome. I encourage everyone to familiarise themselves with the material available to promote best practice in this parish and in our daily lives.



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

1. What is this Sunday called?
2. What do we mean by mission?
3. How can we be missionaries?

**TASK FOR THE WEEK:** All our boys and girls who are want to be con-

firmed in their faith by the bishop next May will enrol this coming Tuesday and Thursday for their preparation programme. Please keep them in your prayers.

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

# ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

**PARISH NEWSLETTER 18th Oct. 2009**

**29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

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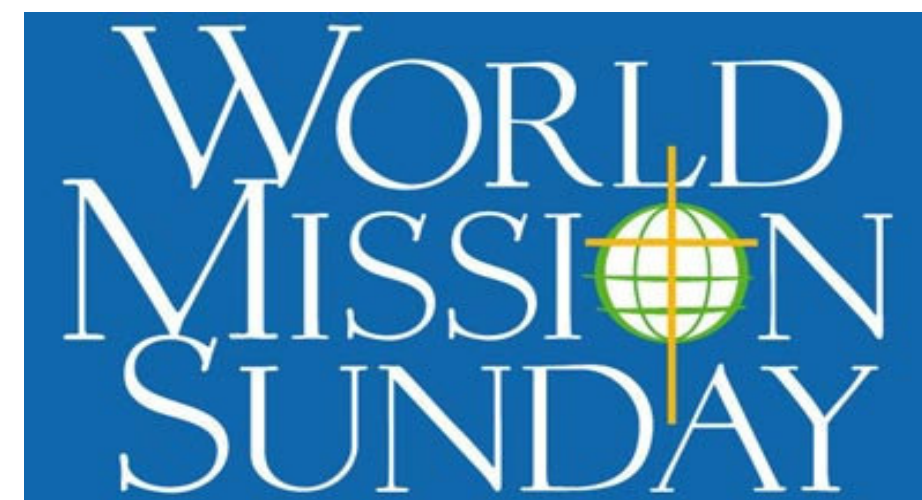
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## MISSION SUNDAY

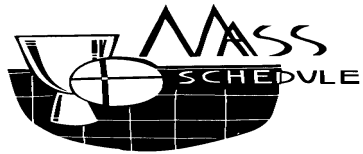
Today we are called upon to play our role in assisting the missionary activity of the Church. We are given the opportunity to share in the experience of our brothers and sisters who carry on the missionary task today as they **Reach Out**, often in difficult and dangerous circumstances. Our spiritual and material offerings are crucial for the continued work of missionaries throughout the world. The total raised in today's collection will be sent in its entirety to support mission projects worldwide. Please give what you can, every gift—no matter how small—makes a difference.



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

**Sarah Harris, Miriam Soughley, Ruth Dayman, Eileen O'Shea, Michael O'Kane, Chris Bruton, Harry Silcock, Conor McHugh, Nora Kavanagh.**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



### 29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Frank McKeown (1st Anniv.)

8.30 am: Int. of Missionaries

10.30 am Mary McAleer (Anniv.)

12.00 pm Phyllis Duggan (Anniv.)

**EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm**

**Monday: Sts. Jean, Issac & Paul**

10.00 am: Intentions of the Sick of the Parish

**Tuesday:**

10.00 am: Special Intention

**Wednesday:**

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

**Thursday:**

10.00 am Special Intention

**Friday:**

10.00 am Jimmy Watters (Anniv.)

**Saturday: St. Anthony Claret**

10.00 am Paddy Murphy (Anniv.)

### 30TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm:

8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish

10.30 am Violet Molloy (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](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.

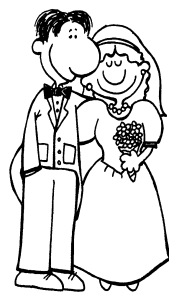
**HOSPITAL VISITATION:** If you know of a parishioner who is sick and would like a visit please don't hesitate to contact Fr. John.

### NEW ALTAR SERVERS:

Training of all those who enrolled to be Altar Servers at Sunday Mass will continue **every Thursday at 5pm in the church** for the next couple of weeks. Anyone interested in becoming an Altar Server must complete an application form which are available from Fr. John.

**FORMATION OF NEW MINISTERS:** Reminder to those training as new ministers of the Eucharist and the Word continues this week on Tuesday and Thursday respectively at 8pm in the Church.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES:** St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock will hold their Ecumenical Blessing of the Graves on Sunday, **1st November at 3.00 pm.** All Welcome. Disabled / elderly parking only at the Church. All others please park in the grounds of Castleknock N.S. opposite.

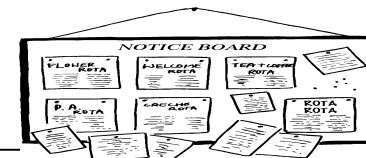


**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to **Kevin English and Elaine Tipple, John Long and Elaine Carthy and Odhrán Shelley and Clodagh Maguire** who were married this past week. May the Lord continue to bless them and deepen their love in the years ahead.

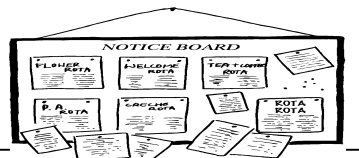
**NEW CHRISTIANS:** We welcome **Lucy, Ronan, Finn, Graham and Micheal** who join our community through the waters of baptism this weekend. May they continue to grow strong in body, mind, and spirit in the years ahead.

Anyone enquiring about baptism please take one of the leaflets from the back of the church. Thank you.

**PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE:** There is a meeting for all members on **Monday, 19th Oct. at 8pm** in the Parish Centre. Thank you.



# PARISH NEWS



**TODAY IS MISSION SUNDAY:** There is a **special collection today for Mission Sunday** which replaces the usual Share Collection. The Mission Sunday gift enables the formation of native priests, sisters, brothers and lay catechists. The collection is also used to support pastoral centres and the building of simple mission churches. Other important areas supported by the Mission Sunday collection are , emergency aid in times of natural disaster or civil strife and the provision of health clinics and nutrition for children. Also contributions assist missionaries serving refugees. **Fr. Martin Murnaghan will speak at all our Masses today about his missionary work in Kenya. It's good to see him again.**

**NOVEMBER BEREAVEMENT MASS :** We will be celebrating a Mass on **Monday 2nd November at 7pm which is the feast of All Souls** for all those who have died this 12 months. If you would like a loved one who has died this past year remembered at this Mass please leave their name into the sacristy or see Fr. John after Mass. It is a Mass which gives thanks to God for the life of that person and also to pray for those coming to terms with the recent death of a loved one. **Please leave names of deceased this past year into the sacristy after Mass if you would like them remembered in the Bereavement Mass. Thank You.**

**REMEMBERING SOULS IN NOV.:** November has traditionally been a time to remember loved ones who have died. If you would like to have your loved ones prayed for during the month and on the First Friday of each month through the year **please take one of the lists and envelopes at the back of the church and return it before the 1st week-end of November.**

### CONFIRMATION

**ENROLMENT:** will be held for candidates from **St Mochta's National School** on **Tuesday 20th Oct.** and **St Patrick's National School** on **Thursday 22nd Oct.** The ceremony will start at **7pm**

**SHARP.** In order for your child to be enrolled on this evening, he/she **must be baptised Catholic** and have received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. **You will be required to present a Baptismal Certificate for your child, to his/her teacher, before Friday 16th October 2009.**



### WEEKLY REFLECTION

James and John were two opportunists.

Their one aim was to rise in the ranks.

To achieve their end they did not hesitate to beg.

They did not mind how much envy and resentment they aroused in their companions. Their aim was to scramble up the career ladder.

But at what price to themselves?

If in the course of their rise to the top, people lose themselves, their own souls, whatever they do or achieve will be worthless.

Power hardens the human heart.

A hard-hearted person is incapable of love.

It is by giving that we receive,  
and it is by service that we grow in love.

**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 10:46-52.**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION:** We are holding a number of talks in our Parish Centre on the Thursdays of the month of November for all adult interested in learning a little more about the Faith. In this year of Evangelisation in the Diocese our 1st series of talks will focus on expanding our understanding of Evangelisation. Below are listed the four talks:

**5th NOVEMBER (8pm—9.30pm)**

**PARISH MISSION IS EVANGELISATION**

(Fr. Gareth Byrne)

**12th NOVEMBER (8pm—9.30pm)**

**THE EUCHARIST "BEING NOURISHED FOR MISSION"**

(Collette Furlong)

**19th NOVEMBER (8pm—9.30pm)**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE & ENVELGELISATION**

(To be announced)

**26th NOVEMBER (8pm—9.30pm)**

**ADVENT: A NEW BEGINNING**

(Fr. Damien McNeece)

**All Welcome**

