

ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

CHRISTMAS CARDS: The Parish Christmas Cards are available from the sacristy or the Parish Office. Don't delay, as we have limited numbers left.



LIAM LAWTON CONCERT:

We are privileged to be able to host a concert here in St. Mochta's Church on **Wednesday 1st December** by internationally renowned singer Fr. Liam Lawton. Fr. Liam will be accompanied on the night by his own band and special guests **Mount Sackville School Senior Girls Choir**. It promises to be another great evening here in St. Mochta's. **Tickets €20** are available in the Sacristy before or after Mass and the Parish Office from 9.30am to 12.30pm Mon to Fri.

ST MOCHTA'S YOUTH GROUP (SMYG): SMYG is open to all young people living in the Parish from first year and upwards. The Group meet from 7.30 to 9.30pm and there is a cover charge of €1. Next meeting **Fri. 26th November**.

YOGA CLASSES: Beginners & Improvers— **New Term** starting **Tuesday at 8.30pm**—6 weeks €80 in Parish Centre. Please contact Jakki Reid (yti dip) on 086 0792469 for enquiries or to book your place.

CROSSCARE BLANCHARDSTOWN are running a number of services in their Centre. Please see the notice board or visit www.crosscare.ie

MISCARRIAGE ASSOCIATION: The Annual Service of Remembrance will be held **this Sunday, 14th November at 3.00pm** in **St. Teresa's Church**, Donore Avenue, off South Circular Road, Dublin 8. More information www.miscarriage.ie

CHRISTMAS LEAFLET VOLUNTEERS:

We hope to have our Christmas leaflet ready shortly. We'd be grateful if our usual volunteers would offer their services once more. We will also be looking for new recruits for our ever expanding parish. The leaflet contains Mass details for Christmas etc. If available, please leave your name and contact no. in the Sacristy after Mass or the Parish Office during office hours.

ST. PATRICK'S N.S. DISWELLSTOWN are hosting their annual **Christmas Fair** on **Sunday 28th November** from **1pm to 5pm** at the school. This is a great family day out with lots of fun activities. Please come and support.

JUST THIS DAY 24TH NOVEMBER: Imagine....1,000,000 minutes of stillness for the world...**Just This Day** is a global day of stillness. It is beyond nationality, religious belief or difference and seeks to unite people all over the world in their universal capacity to be internally still. Give 5 minutes of stillness to the world. To pledge your minutes—go to www.justthisday.ie and pledge your minutes of stillness!

SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCH: St. Mochta's Parish are hosting a Christmas Lunch in our Pastoral Centre on **Saturday 11th December** beginning with Mass at **12.00 pm** for the senior members of our parish. There are **only 50 tickets** available and they are on sale from this weekend costing just €10. Tickets are available in the Sacristy after Mass and in the Parish Office Mon.-Fri. 9.30 am to 12.30 pm. Lunch will be followed by some entertainment. Please do support it if you are free. It offers a great opportunity to meet some new people. If you require transport to and/or from the Lunch, please contact the Parish Office and it will be arranged for you. This was a fantastic day last year with dancing till the wee hours, so join in and enjoy great food, entertainment and dancing to celebrate for Christmas.



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

1. What did Jesus say would happen to the Temple?
2. What did Jesus say would happen to his followers?
3. What are his followers to continue to do?
4. How can we continue to follow Jesus today?

TASK FOR THE WEEK: The month of November is a time when we remember members of our family who may have died. At this time we pray that they may be in heaven with God. So when you kneel down to say your prayers each night remember to pray for them.

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

PARISH NEWSLETTER 14TH NOV. 2010

33RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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

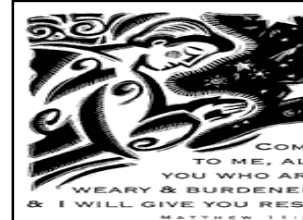
WITNESSING TO CHRIST

We live in a world which is full of confusion and unrest.

In the midst of such a world we are expected to witness to Christ.

To be good and faithful witnesses we need help from on high.

Therefore, it is to God we turn for the courage and strength we need.



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

Ellen Spring, Christy Hughes, Maureen Malone, David Keane, Gillian Dowling, Baby James Patrick, Nessa Cahill.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



33rd Sunday of the Year:

7.00 pm: Kitty O'Leary (Anniv.)
8.30 am: Roshy & Gisha (Wedding Anniv.)
10.30 am: Kevin & Noreen Lynch (Anniv.)
12.00 pm: Danny Heffernan R.I.P.

EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

Monday St. Albert the Great

10.00 am Special Intention

Tuesday Sts. Margaret & Gertrude

10.00 am: Rev. Denis Cogan (Anniv.)

Wednesday St. Elizabeth

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

Thursday

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Friday

10.00 am Special Intention

Saturday:

10.00 am

34th Sunday of the Year: CHRIST THE KING

7.00 pm: Rory Kennedy (Anniv.)
8.30 am: Joseph Branigan (Anniv.)
10.30 am: Bernard Woods (Anniv.)
12.00 pm: Patrick Harris (Anniv.)

EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH MONTHLY FINANCE

OCTOBER 2010

INCOME

Monthly Parish Offering Contributions €11,589

*(272 regular contributors and a few donations)

Receipts from Shrines and Weddings € 3,113

Total income for October €14,702

EXPENDITURE

Pastoral Expenses, Utilities, Wages etc €11,106

Monthly repayment on Parish Loan € 5,544

Total expenditure for October €16,650

Balance: Deficit of (€1,948)

WHAT IS THE PARISH OFFERING? The Parish receives **NO** income from the two Sunday Collections. The only regular income the parish receives is from the **Parish Offering**. We have about 5,000 homes in the parish but as you can see only **272** homes contributed to the Parish Offering in October. You can contribute to the **Parish Offering** by Standing Order or Cheque/Cash Donation. These forms are available from the back of the Church or Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support. **John Sherwood Chair of Finance Committee**

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 also be 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? 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.**

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.

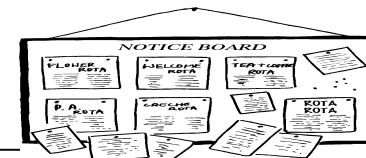


WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to **Brian Fields and Denise Campbell** who were married this past week. May the Lord continue to bless them and deepen their love in the years ahead.

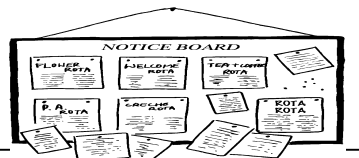
NEW CHRISTIANS: We welcome **Ethan, Matthew, Callum, Isabelle and Lyla** who join our community through the waters of baptism this weekend. May they continue to grow strong in body, mind, and spirit in the years ahead. Anyone enquiring about baptism please take one of the leaflets from the back of the church. Thank you.

BABY ELISHA MCCANN R.I.P. Please pray for the parents of baby Elisha, Declan and Margaret, as they come to terms with the death of their little three week old girl. Elisha body was laid to rest in the family grave in Wicklow. May her soul soar with the angels

BABY HANNAH DUFFY R.I.P. Please pray for Matthew and Samantha and their 2 children as they come to terms with the death of their little girl who was still born. May baby Hannah be with God's angels in heaven.

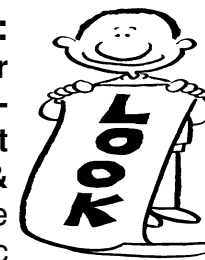


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CATHOLIC YOUTH CARE:

The Annual collection for Catholic Youth Care (the Diocesan Youth Service) will be held at all Masses this weekend, 13th & 14th November. It will replace the normal SHARE Collection. Catholic Youth Care supports and services youth work and youth ministry throughout the Dublin Diocese. Catholic Youth Care provides a range of services throughout the diocese, including Summer Projects, Youth Clubs, Drop in Centres, Youth Café's. CYC operates 18 Centres throughout the Diocese. Through our various services and programmes to young people and youth groups, we reach out to many of the most marginalised young people in the Archdiocese. Please give us your support at all Masses this weekend. Last years collection raised €1,811. Thank you.



ARCHBISHOP PRAISES THE ROLE OF

TEACHERS: Martin praised the role of teachers in Irish society saying that despite tough times, "we should not overlook the fact that even with all our deficiencies Ireland has achieved so much in recent years. This is due in great measure to the contribution of teachers. That contribution has often not been adequately recognised. We owe our teachers a great debt. Speaking about the future of schools, he said that it is inevitable that new systems of patronage would be introduced in schools over the coming years. He said that while such new systems of patronage will no doubt be applauded for being pluralist in nature, whatever the future holds, variety in patronage should not lead to a two tier educational system. He also said that such new systems of patronage should not push religion into the margins and that the impression should not be created that, "religious values do not belong within the framework of public education."

ST VINCENT DE PAUL collection for November takes place after each Mass this weekend 13th/14th. Last month's collection amounted to **€856.34** for which St. Mochta's Conference members are most grateful. The proceeds each month help the Conference in their work in helping disadvantaged families and individuals in the community. **Also** St. Vincent De Paul is looking for a **pram/buggy** and a **cot** for a new born baby. If anyone has something which they feel is in good condition, please contact John Kane on 086 0780697. Thanks you.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Can a man grow from the dead clod of failure
some consoling flower,
something to war as a buttonhole in Heaven?
Under the flat, flat grief of defeat
maybe hope is a seed.
Maybe this is what he was born for,
this hour of hopelessness.
Maybe it is here he must search
in this hell of unfaith
where no one has a purpose
where the web of meaning is broken threads
and one man looks at another in fear.
O God, can a man find You
when he lies with his face downwards
and his nose in the rubble
that was his achievement?
Is the music playing behind the door of despair?
O God, give us purpose.

SCRIPTURE READING: Each week we suggest a piece of Scripture to use in 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 passage is Lk 23: 35-43.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION:

We are continuing our series of talks in our Parish Centre on the Mass which are entitled "The Lord be with You". They are on Thursday the **18th and 25th of November at 8pm.** This series focuses on deepening our understanding of Mass as part of our preparation for the 50th International Eucharistic Congress in 2012 here in Dublin. These evenings will give us all a chance to grow in the faith and in our love of God. All welcome.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Meeting for all members of the committee this **Monday 15th November at 8pm** in the Parish Pastoral Centre. All members are asked to attend.

REMEMBERING SOULS:

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 to the Sacristy.**

