

## ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

**RAINBOWS IRELAND** is a support programme to assist children who are grieving a death, separation or other painful transition in their family. Our parish will begin its first Rainbows Programme in January, 2009 for children aged 7 yrs to 12 yrs. For further details please see the notice board at the back or the Church or contact the Parish Office.

**THE CARERS ASSOCIATION** invites you to join the 'Care in the Home Training Course' Accredited by City & Guilds Institute, London. This course will start on **5th February, 2009** and will be held in the Carers Resource Centre, Main St., Blanchardstown. For more details, please call Michelle or Judith on 01 8119564/01 8119555 or see the notice board at the back of the Church.

**PHOENIX-TARA TOASTMASTERS** public speaking club are having an open evening on **Monday 26th January** to mark their 3rd Birthday. It will be held in Dunboyne Castle, Dunboyne, Co. Meath at 7.45 pm. Admission is free to visitors and guests. Toastmasters meet every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month from 7.45 pm to 10.15 pm. All adults are welcome.

**THE FORTYSOMETHINGS:** Are you between 35 and 45? Would you like to meet other Catholics of your age from parishes in the Dublin Diocese for social and spiritual events? The Fortysomethings invite to a New Members Meeting in the Trinity Capital Hotel, Pearse St. at **8.30 pm on Friday, 6th February**. For more information e-mail [dublin40somethings@gmail.com](mailto:dublin40somethings@gmail.com) or ring Declan on 087 7608268 or Bernadette on 085 7767098.

**CASTLEKNOCK GAA CLUB** are hosting its **Annual Table Quiz** next **Monday, 26th January** at **8 pm** in **Kavanagh's Pub**, Laurel Lodge. Tables of 4 costs €40 to enter. Come along and forget those January blues. Fun night guaranteed with prizes galore. **Forget the X-Factor**, if you wish to show off your musical, dance or singing talent why not represent the club at Scor, the GAA All-Ireland talent competition. For further information contact Barbara on 086 3782419. The Club has a warm welcome for **New Players** at all ages and levels. Please see [www.castleknock.net](http://www.castleknock.net) for relevant contact details or contact Club Coach Brendan on 085 1329397. Castleknock GAA, Go on, Give it a Go!

**YOGA CLASSES:** Jakki's Yoga Classes have started in the Parish Centre. The are on every **Tuesday evening at 8pm** and **every Thursday morning at 11am**. Yoga is for everyone regardless of age or levels of fitness. Classes run for 1 1/2 Hrs. over six weeks and cost €75. If you are interested in joining or to book your place please contact Jakki at **086 0792469**.

**CHILD FRENCH CLASSES:** Established since 1983, La Jolie Ronde offers the most successful educational French programme worldwide. It is a proven method with a solid underlying structure that enables children to progress year after year. Classes for **3-11 year olds** will start shortly in the Parish Centre on **Saturday from 9.30 am to 12 noon**. For further information, please contact Sabine Maher on 087 2279027

**EMMAUS** are holding a number of Workshops and Courses at Emmaus Retreat Centre, Swords in January, 2009—**Jan 31st** An Introduction to Personality Adaptations. For more information please see the notice board at the back of the church.



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

1. Why did Jesus choose the fishermen to be his disciples?
2. What did Jesus mean when he said that he wanted to make them 'Fishers of People'?
3. Why do you think the first disciples chose to follow Jesus that day?
4. Jesus called another two disciples that day. Can you remember their names?

**TASK FOR THE WEEK:** Tell someone special to you, that you are praying for them everyday this week because you know that God really cares for them even when they think he is not with them?

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

# ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

**PARISH NEWSLETTER 25TH JAN. 2009**

**3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

**Parish Priest :** Rev. John Daly Tel: 8213218

email: [frjohn@stmochtasparish.ie](mailto:frjohn@stmochtasparish.ie)

**Parish Pastoral Worker:** Mary GreeneByrne Tel: 8213218

email: [pastoralcare@stmochtasparish.ie](mailto:pastoralcare@stmochtasparish.ie)

**Parish Secretary:** June Phelan Tel: 8213218

email: [secretary@stmochtasparish.ie](mailto:secretary@stmochtasparish.ie)

**Parish Pastoral Committee:** Chairperson George McLellan

**Parish Finance Committee:** Chairperson Colm O'Neill

**Parish Web Address:** [www.stmochtasparish.ie](http://www.stmochtasparish.ie)

## REPENT AND BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS

Jesus began his preaching with a call to repentance. We begin each Mass with a similar call: we are asked to call to mind our sins and to repent of them. Let us do that now.



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

**Irene Hoey, Bridget Matthews, Bernie Byrne, Joan Allen, Padraig Byrne, Sarah Harris, Mary Rodgers, Miriam Soughley, Sheila & Christy.**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



### 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7.00 pm: Michael Fahy (Anniv.)  
8.30 am: Michael Tierney (2nd Anniv.)  
10.30 am: Vincent Travers (Anniv.)  
12.00 pm: Marie Dunne (Anniv.)  
**EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm**

#### Monday: Ss. Timothy & Titus

10.00 am: George Keegan (Anniv.)

#### Tuesday: St. Angela Merici

10.00 am:

#### Wednesday: St. Thomas Aquinas

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

#### Thursday:

10.00 am: Baby Niamh Murray (Anniv.)

#### Friday: St. Aidan

10.00 am: Intentions of the Sick of the Parish

#### Saturday: St. John Bosco

10.00 am: Mary Smith (Anniv.)

### 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7.00 pm:  
8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish  
10.30 am: Intentions of the Sick of the Parish  
12.00 pm: Billy Behan R.I.P.  
**EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm**

**NEW CHRISTIANS:** We welcome **Alfie** who joins our community through the waters of baptism this weekend. May he 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 or see Fr. John after Sunday Mass.



**ADORATION :** There is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each Sunday evening from 7pm —9 pm and offers us an opportunity to spend some quiet time with the Lord.

**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.

## 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 new site is: [www.stmochtasparrish.ie](http://www.stmochtasparrish.ie)

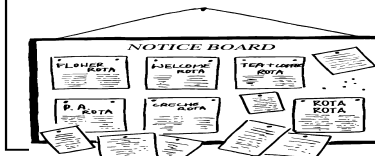
**MASS INTENTIONS:** If you would like to have Mass offered for someone or offered for a particular intention please see our sacristan, Mary after Mass.

**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.

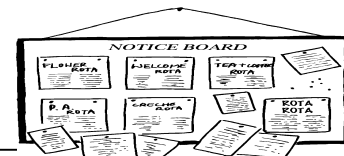
**HOSPITAL VISITATION:** If you know of a parishioner who is sick and would like a visit please don't hesitate to contact Fr. John.

**ACCORD DUBLIN :** The Annual Collection of ACCORD, The Diocesan Agency for Marriage and The Family, will be made at all Masses on the weekend of **14th & 15th February, 2009.** The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection. ACCORD Dublin throughout the diocese offers: Marriage Preparation Courses; Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships.; Marital Sexual Therapy.; A Relationship and Sexuality Programme in Schools.

**2ND PARENTS MEETING FOR CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:** The second meeting for parents in the Programme for Preparation for Confirmation will be held in **St Mochta's Parish Pastoral Centre on Tuesday 10th February, 2009 at 8pm.** Please ensure that at least one parent or guardian attends this meeting.



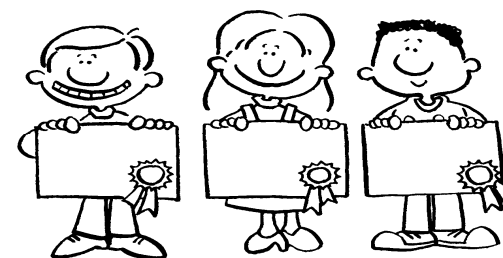
# PARISH NEWS



**SVP CLOTHING APPEAL:** The annual appeal for good clean second hand clothing (clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc) will take place this weekend. **Bags will be handed out this Sat. evening, 24th and Sunday, 25th Jan. All the bags will be collected ONLY next Sunday 1st Feb after Sunday Masses.** So start that spring clean early and get searching through those wardrobes. You know there's stuff in there you've not seen for years. Clothes that are very sad and lonely because they have not seen the light of day in years, who long once more to hug a body, caress some toes, dress a bed, frame a wall!!!! The SVP will find a new home for them!!!!

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON UNDERSTANDING ALCOHOL MISUSE,** presented by a team of professionals, will be held in The Regency Hotel Conference Centre, Whitehall, Dublin 9. Conference will consist of two sessions to be held on Tues. 27th Jan. and Tues. 3rd Feb. from 7.30 pm to 10 pm. Cost: €15 will cover both sessions. For further information phone 01 8388888.

**SCHOOL ENROLMENT 2009:** Application Forms for Enrolment for Junior Infants (September, 2009) are available in St. Patrick's N.S. and St. Mochta's N.S. Registration will take place in both schools on the following dates only: **Monday, 2nd Feb. 2009** 10am to 12pm and 7pm to 9pm; **Tuesday, 3rd Feb. 2009** 10am to 12pm and **Wednesday, 4th Feb. 2009** 10am to 12pm only.



**NOTHING LIKE A CUP OF TEA:** We would like to begin to be able to offer a cup of tea/coffee after the 10.30am Sunday Mass. We need volunteers to be able to provide this service. If you would be willing to do so please leave your name and details in the sacristy after Mass or see Fr. John. Don't be shy we need all the help we can get.

### WEEKLY REFLECTION

#### Good news for sinners

Today we are in danger of being drowned in bad news.

Jesus began his ministry by announcing good news.

What was this good news?

That the kingdom of heaven had come. The kingdom stands for the fulfilment of the promises, the fullness of God's blessings, in short, the new order of things. Forgiveness is available. Recovery is possible. God's love is unconditional and is available to us in Christ.

All we have to do is recognise our need, and seek his help with humility and sincerity. Unless we repent we can't hear the good news.

**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 1:21-28.**

**17TH WORLD DAY OF THE SICK:** Pope John Paul II, Servant of God, chose the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, 11th February, as the occasion to celebrate World Day of the Sick. Pope Benedict XVI continues with his support for this worldwide annual event. Two diocesan events will mark our celebration of the 17th World Day of the Sick, 2009. **Sat. 7th Feb. from 9 am to 1 pm—A reflective morning** organised by the Diocesan World Day of the Sick Committee on the theme: **'Suicide-A Community Responds'** in St. John of God Conference Centre, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. For further information contact Trisha Conway on 087 6220349 and on **Sun. 8th Feb. at 3 pm Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, D.D.,** will celebrate Mass with the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** in the Church of Our Lady Help of Christians, Navan Road, Dublin 7. For further information contact parish office on 01 8380265. All welcome.

