

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 of 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 **next Thursday, 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.

CROSSCARE BLANCHARDSTOWN offers the following services: **Information Clinic** every Monday (excl Bank holidays) from 2pm to 4pm. **Migrant Project**—'Walk In' information and advocacy clinic on immigration, emigration and return migration matters. Free service, no appointment necessary. **Housing & Welfare information.** 'Walk In' information on homelessness services & housing options, etc. Free service, no appointment necessary. **Let's Dance**—Every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm—Dance-Meditation-de-stress session. For more information please see the notice board at the back of the Church or contact Jean Martin, Area Coordinator on 01 8219892 or jmartin@crosscare.ie.

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL TALLAGHT 2009 Odlums Pancake Party between **20th & 24th Feb.** To register phone 01 4142375 or www.odlumspancakeparty.ie and **Overseas Walk** in Tuscany from **21st Sept. to 27th Sept.** Contact 01 4142375 or www.trek@thenationalchildrenshospital.ie. Further information on the notice board at the back of the church.

CASTLEKNOCK GAA: 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 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**.

FRENCH FOR CHILDREN: La Jolie Ronde French classes will start in the Parish Centre on **Saturday, 28th February** for **3-12 years old children**. La Jolie Ronde methodology is a **proven and structured method** and give children the opportunity to excel at an age when they are most **receptive**. Children are grouped per age in small classes. **French native accent** for children to copy. Weekday classes also available for children who are not available at weekends. To enquire or book your child's place please contact Sabine Maher at **087 2279027**.

FOLK CHOIR NEED MALE SINGERS The Folk Choir (who sing every second Sunday at the 12 o'clock mass) are presently looking for a few extra male singers. If you are interested in joining please see us after mass or call Joan on 087 6262008. No music knowledge necessary.

LECTIO DIVINA: The next course for Readers on Lectio Divina (over 5 Mondays) will begin on **Monday, 23rd Feb. at 7.15 pm** in **St. Paul's Church, Smithfield**. 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. What is the name of the town that Jesus was staying in?
2. What is the Sabbath?
3. What did Jesus do when the man started shouting at him?
4. Why is it important to listen to the readings at mass each week?

TASK FOR THE WEEK: If someone annoys you during the week, remember how patient Jesus was with the man and remain calm, ask them quietly to stop and say a prayer to thank God for helping you stay cool.

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

PARISH NEWSLETTER 1ST FEB. 2009

4TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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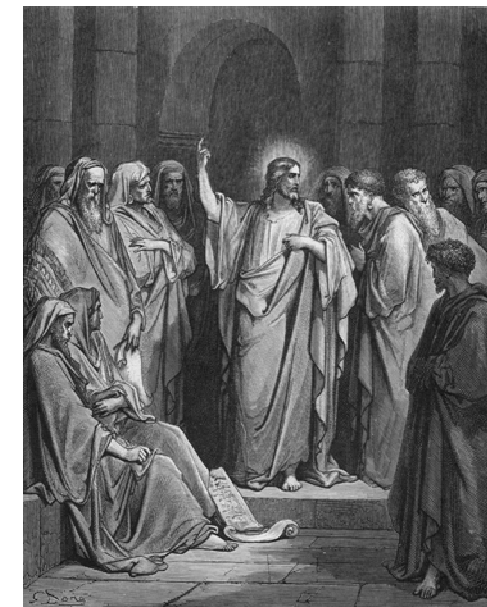
Parish Web Address: www.stmochtasparish.ie

TEACHING WITH AUTHORITY

Jesus' words carried great authority with the ordinary people. Why? Because his words had the ring of truth, and people knew he meant them.

Jesus' words can change our lives if we act on them.

But sometimes we are content merely to listen to them.



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, Conor Hurst.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



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

Monday: The Presentation of our Lord

10.00 am: Mary Eustace (Anniv.)
Tuesday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar
10.00 am: Michael Quigley R.I.P.

Wednesday:

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

Thursday: St. Agatha

10.00 am

Friday: St. Paul Miki

10.00 am: Altar List of the Dead

Saturday: St. Mel

10.00 am:

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7.00 pm: Dan Bradley (Anniv.)
8.30 am: Peggy McKeown M/M
10.30 am: Intentions of the Parish
12.00 pm: Rosita Costelloe (Anniv.)
EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

WELCOMING SUNDAY: This weekend we welcome all those who are to be baptised this coming month and introduce them to our community. May they continue to grow strong in body, mind and spirit. Anyone enquiring about baptism please take one of the leaflets from the back of the church or see Fr. John after Mass. Thank you.



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.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING THANK YOU:

A big thank you to all those who have returned the Christmas offering for your generosity and support. The Christmas Offering goes to help support of the priests in the Diocese and the Parish. Envelopes are available from the back of the Church.

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 new 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.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH: This coming Friday 6th February will be the 1st of the month. Morning Mass will be offered for all those whose names appear on the Altar List of the Dead.

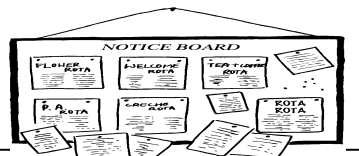
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING will take place this coming Monday, 2nd February at 8 pm in the Parish Centre. All members are asked to attend.

PASTORAL CENTRE ROSTERS: There are a few changes on the **February Reception** Volunteers Roster. Please see the **new roster** on the notice board or pick up a new one from the Sacristy. Thank you.

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.



PARISH NEWS



SVP CLOTHING APPEAL: The annual appeal for good clean second hand clothing (clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc) takes place this weekend. Thank you for your great generosity. **All the bags will be collected this weekend 1st Feb ONLY after Sunday Masses. DO NOT BRING BAGS TO THE CHURCH AFTER THIS WEEKEND.**

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

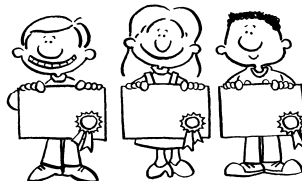
10am to 12pm and 7pm to 9pm;

Tuesday, 3rd Feb. 2009

10am to 12pm and

Wednesday, 4th Feb. 2009

10am to 12pm only.



SCOIL CHOILM COMMUNITY NATIONAL SCHOOL Porterstown Road, Clonsilla welcomes enrolment for places in **Junior and Senior Infants** for **Sept. 2009**. Enrolment will take place each day from **2nd-13th Feb.** from **10am to 12pm**. An enrolment evening will also take place in the school from **7pm-9pm on Mon. 2nd Feb.** All forms and relevant documentation must be returned to the school by Fri. 27th Feb. For further information please contact the school on 01 8213352.

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 **Tues. 10th Feb. 2009** at **8pm**. Please ensure that at least one parent or guardian attends this meeting.

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.



WEEKLY REFLECTION

Speaking with Authority

Ideally words should always be preceded by deeds.

When people who have done something begin to speak, people listen.

Their words carry enormous weight.

They have real authority.

The weakness of a lot of words arises from the fact

that they are not preceded, or accompanied, or even followed by words.

At the root of innumerable wrongs in our world is the discrepancy between word and deed.

It is the weakness of Churches, parties, and individuals.

It gives people and institutions split personalities.

Lord, grant that what we have said with our lips, we may believe with our hearts, and practise with our lives.

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 1:29-39.**

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.

