

ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

CLONMACNOIS YOUTH SUMMER FESTIVAL 12/15 AUGUST: Youth 2000 invites you to join them for their Summer Festival from 12-15 August 2010 in Clonmacnois, County Offaly. The dynamic weekend programme for **16-35 year olds** includes **music, drama, prayer, talks, workshops, reconciliation and healing service, games and chill time.** The festival will be held along the banks of the river Shannon near the historic monastic ruins of Clonmacnois. It is a **donation only** weekend and all you need to bring is a sleeping bag. Why not take time out this summer to discover more about your faith in an atmosphere of fun and friendship. Check out our website at www.youth2000.ie

WESTMANSTOWN GAELS GAA CLUB are holding another Summer Camp from **16th to 20th August.** For further information contact Michael Aherne on 087 7758346 or email secretary@westmanstowngael.ie.

CASTLEKNOCK HURLING & FOOTBALL CLUB are holding another Summer Camp from **16th to 20th August.** For more information please contact Brendan on 085 1322939.



CROSSCARE: Innovation and action for social justice, working on behalf of the Catholic Community in the Dublin Diocese: Teen Counselling Service now available in Dublin 15—This free and confidential service is for 12-18 year olds and their parents/guardians. Phone 01 4623083 or visit <http://www.crosscare.ie/teencounselling/index.htm>

Living in Ireland Workshop: Sharing Migrant Experiences—Dil Wickremasinghe, Social Entrepreneur and presenter of Global Village on Newstalk 106-108FM. will facilitate a workshop to introduce migrants to Irish culture and provide a space to share their experiences of living in Ireland. The aim of the workshops is to pass on practical information by learning from each other. This workshop takes place at Crosscare, Blanchardstown on **15th July 5pm – 8.30 pm**. To book your place or if you would like further information please contact Nicola Yau on 01 873 2844 or nicolayau@crosscare.ie.

Drink/Drug Counseling: We offer a free counselling service in Blanchardstown for people over 18 years of age. Call 8360911 for more information or to make an appointment.

Is gambling causing a problem in your life? If so, Gamblers Anonymous can help. Meeting every Tuesday at 8.00 pm Crosscare Main Street Blanchardstown. Tel. GA at 01 8721133.

Support Service for Parents We host a monthly coffee break to meet other parents for support and information sharing. Phone 8360011 or 0868269977 for more information on any aspect of this service.

Free, Confidential Information Service—Monday 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm Crosscare Blanchardstown. Confidential information on a broad range of issues available to all. Service in Polish now available.

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

1. Who's feast day are we celebrating today?
2. What do we mean when we say Mary was assumed into heaven?
3. What does it mean for us today as we celebrate it?
4. How do you think Mary can help you in your life?

TASK FOR THE WEEK: Well its holiday time at last. Have a wonderful summer break and I hope you get plenty of time to have fun with family and friends. Remember its holiday time for mum and dad too, so don't forget to give a helping hand at home too. Have fun!!!!



Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

PARISH NEWSLETTER 15th AUGUST 2010 FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

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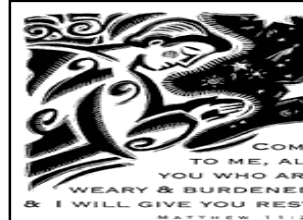
Parish Web Address: www.stmochtasparish.ie

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



Today the Church honours
the humble maid of Nazareth
through whom the world
received its Saviour.
We rejoice that she shares in
the glory of her Son in
heaven.

From Heaven
she watches over us.



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

Chris Bruton, Allsún Henderson, Ena Kelly, Brian Lenihan, Ellen Spring, Christy Hughes, Maureen Malone, Eileen Maguire, David Keane, Baby James Patrick

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

7.00 pm: George Geoghegan (Anniv)
8.30 am: Int. of the Parish
10.30 am: Alice Russell (Anniv)
12.00 pm: Patrick Daly (Anniv)

EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm

Monday St. Stephen of Hungary

10.00 am Int. of Nina Arwitz - Field (ill)

Tuesday

10.00 am: Special Intention

Wednesday

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

Thursday St. Mochta (Patron of our Parish)

10.00 am Int. of the Parish

Friday St. Bernard

10.00 am Special Intention

Saturday: St Pius X

10.00 am John Lydon (Anniv)

21st Sunday of the Year

7.00 pm: Daniel Rogers (Anniv)
8.30 am: Int. of the Parish
10.30 am: Betty Farrell (1st Anniv)
12.00 pm: Cait Quinn (1st 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 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:

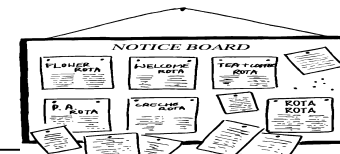
Congratulations to **Peter Furlong & Dasa Slaneviciute, Cian Stears & Gwen Husk, Sean O'Dowd & Tara Manweiler** who were married this past week. May the Lord continue to bless them and deepen their love in the years ahead.

NEW CHRISTIANS: We welcome **Laura, Sinead, Ruby, Conor and Cal** 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.

PARISH OFFICE: The Parish Office is closed and will reopen on Monday 23rd August. If you need assistance, please phone 01 8213218 and leave your name, contact number and a short message. Messages will be picked up each day. Or email Fr. John directly. frjohn@stmochtasparrish.ie Thank you.



PARISH NEWS



PAKISTAN RELIEF COLLECTION:

There will be a special collection **next weekend** at all our Masses to help support the needs of the people of Pakistan in their hour of need. Close to 20 million people have been affected by the monsoon floods of the last few weeks. Whatever you can afford would be greatly appreciated. Thank You.

ST MOCHTA: (Born 445 died cica 535) He was born in Britain but was brought to Ireland as a child by his Christians parents. There he became a disciple of St. Patrick. Legend says that Mochta was educated and consecrated first bishop of Louth in Rome. He first established a monastery in County Meath and then because of local opposition moved north to Louth where he founded a large monastery which soon enjoyed a nationwide reputation. In the village of Louth there stands St. Mochta's house, a single cell oratory with a roof croft over a barrel vault. It dates from the 12th century and stands perfectly preserved with of St. Mary's Abbey in the village. There is also a tradition that he founded a monastery in Kilmore Co. Aimtrim. Legend has it that he lived 300 years because he doubted the ages of the Old testament patriarchs, and even that he had 300 hundred bishops as his disciples. Scholars believe that he, the last of St Patrick's disciples died at the age of 90. He is the patron saint of our parish and his feast day is celebrated on the **19th August**.

NEW MINISTERS REQUIRED: Fr. John is looking to increase the numbers of ministers of the Word (Readers) and ministers of the Eucharist over the coming weeks. If you feel that you can contribute to the parish through either of these ministries please see Fr. John after Mass. Thank you for your continued support.

VATICAN REJECTS BISHOPS RESIGNATIONS: Pope Benedict has not accepted the resignations of Dublin auxiliary bishops Raymond Field and Eamon Walsh. The resignation of the bishops in December was the cause of some concern at the time and a view that they had been unfairly forced by public pressure despite being attributed with no blame in the Murphy report. While many will be dismayed by the decision of the Pope, equally, there are many who feel that justice has prevailed.



WEEKLY REFLECTION

For each of us life is a journey.
birth is the beginning of this journey,
And death is not the end but the destination.
It is a journey that takes us from youth to age,
from innocence to awareness,
from foolishness to wisdom,
from weakness to strength and often back again,
from loneliness to friendship,
from pain to compassion,
from fear to faith,
from defeat to victory and from victory to defeat,
until, looking backward or ahead,
we see that victory
does not lie at some high point along the way,
but in having made the journey,
stage by stage.

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 13:22-30.**

HAPPY HOLIDAYS: Now that schools are closed people will be taking to the hills, beaches and to the air. To all those heading away on holidays this coming week we must you rest, enjoyment and renewal. We look forward to welcoming you back looking well tanned and rested. Enjoy, enjoy, enjoy!!!!!!!

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 during the month of September.

PATHWAYS: Thinking about exploring your faith. The Pathway's Course in All Hallows, in its 26th year, has already provided a place for over 3,500 people like you who found a place there for their questions and explorations. The latest date for applications for the coming year is Friday September 10th. **Full details can be found on the notice-board at the back of the church.**

