

## ST. MOCHTA'S COMMUNITY & SOCIAL NEWS

**St. Mochta's Parish**

**Annual Picnic and Family Fun Day**

**Luttrellstown Castle**

**Family Tickets €10**  
available from Parish Centre, Sacristy and After Masses  
**includes raffle & performance by FRANCES BLACK**

**June 21st 2009 1pm - 8pm**  
Remember you can bring your own picnic but not your pet

**Activities:** Farmers Market, Bouncy Castles, Penalty Shoot out, Bonny Baby Contest, Book Stall, BBQ, Handbags, Music, Prizes, Dad-Soak, Cake Sale, Jewellery, Face Paints, Ponies, Vintage Cars, Tug-o-war.

**ST MOCHTA'S PARISH PICNIC:** This year's Parish Picnic will be held **NEXT Sunday 21st June** beginning after 12 o'clock Mass. It will be held in the grounds around Luttrellstown Castle. It is always a great family fun day and all are welcome to attend. There are a number of **ways that you can help out** over the coming weeks with the event:

1. We are looking for the following items to sell on the Stalls as part of our fund raising.
  - New or used Handbags,
  - Jewellery,
  - Your old saucers & plates for a smashing time,
  - Bottles of alcoholic and non alcoholic beverages for Bottle Stall
  - Books, CD's, DVD's
  - Baking: Homemade Cakes n' Buns please nearer the date.
  - Any unwanted gifts in good condition that can be used as Bric o Brac or Raffle items.

Or if you wish to donate a prize for our raffle – it would be most welcome.

**Items can be dropped before and after mass on Sunday's (EACH WEEKEND) or left into the Parish Centre between 9.30 and 12.30 weekdays. The last day for donating items is next Thursday, 18th June at 12 noon.**

2. There will be a **Tug o' War competition with teams from different estates** in our parish. We would be grateful if you could organise a team(s) from your estate.
3. This event will **require lots of man and woman power**, If you are available to help out at any stage of the day with stalls, car parking, games/football, clean up after a fantastic day etc. Please give your name and contact details to one of the organising team outside the church after all masses this weekend.

Archdiocese of Dublin - Deanery of Finglas

# ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH

Porterstown & Clonsilla, Dublin 15

**PARISH NEWSLETTER 14TH JUNE 2009**

**FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

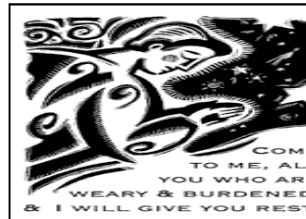
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## The Body and Blood of Christ

We need ordinary bread. That is our first and most basic necessity. But we also need more than that. Bread nourishes only half of us—the physical side. We have a spiritual side, it cries out for nourishment too. In the Eucharist we are nourished with the food of Christ's word, a word which comforts, guides, inspires and challenges us. And in Holy Communion we are nourished with the food of eternal life.



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

**Sarah Harris, Rose Lynam, Miriam Soughley, Ruth Dayman, Gillian Dowling, Cora Galvin, Fr. Joe Caffrey, Baby Aoibhe, Baby Niamh**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



### FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

7.00 pm: Ethel Hynes (Anniv.)  
8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish  
10.30 am Billy McGrane M/M  
12.00 pm John Butler (Anniv.)  
**EXPOSITION 7pm—9pm**

#### Monday:

10.00 am: Diarmuid Fitzgibbon (1st Anniv.)

#### Tuesday:

10.00 am: Jack & Helena Coyne (Anniv.)

#### Wednesday:

10.00 am: Service of Word & Communion

#### Thursday:

10.00 am Intentions of those doing exams

#### Friday: Feast of The Sacred Heart of Jesus

10.00 am Intentions of the Sick of the Parish

#### Saturday:

10.00 am Denis O'Riordan (Anniv.)

### 12TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7.00 pm: Connie Kennedy (Anniv.)  
8.30 am: Intentions of the Parish  
10.30 am Michele Moore (Anniv.)  
12.00 pm Joseph & Agnes Murphy (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 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.

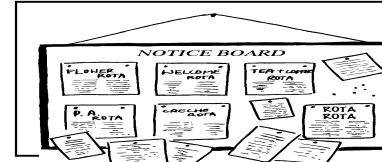
**HOSPITAL VISITATION:** If you know of a parishioner who is sick and would like a visit please don't hesitate to contact Fr. John.

**SVP CHURCH GATE COLLECTION:** The St. Vincent de Paul collection for June takes place after each Mass this weekend. Last month's (May) collection amounted to €859.79 for which the St. Mochta's Conference members are most grateful.

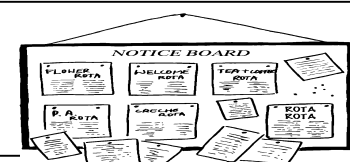
**NEW ROSTERS** for our volunteers for reception and coffee dock are available in the Sacristy and parish office for collection. Thank you.

**PARENT & TODDLER PARENT & TODDLER GROUP:** in St. Mochta's Parish Pastoral Centre is going to the **Zoo** next Tuesday **16th June**. The Group will meet outside the **Zoo entrance** at **9.30 am**. For further information please email [mary-oriordan@hotmail.com](mailto:mary-oriordan@hotmail.com)

**SACRED HEART NOVENA** is taking place in St. Bernadette's Church, Clogher Road from Thur 11th June to Fri 19th June. The novena starts each evening with Mass at 7.30 pm. This Sunday 14th June The Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass at 3 pm. Bishop Fiachra O'Ceallaigh will celebrate the concluding Mass on Fri 19th at 7.30 pm.



# PARISH NEWS



**FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI:** The Feast of Corpus Christi, or the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (as it is often called today), goes back to the 13th century, but it celebrates something far older: the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion at the Last Supper. While Holy Thursday is also a celebration of this mystery, the solemn nature of Holy Week, and the focus on Christ's Passion on Good Friday, overshadows that aspect of Holy Thursday. Thus, in 1246, Bishop Robert de Thorete of the diocese of Liège, convened a synod and instituted the celebration of the feast. From Liège, the celebration began to spread, and, on September 8, 1264, Pope Urban IV issued the papal bull "Transiturus," which established the Feast of Corpus Christi as a universal feast of the Church, to be celebrated on the Thursday or Sunday following Trinity Sunday. For centuries after the celebration was extended to the universal Church, the feast was also celebrated with a Eucharistic procession, in which the Sacred Host was carried throughout the town, accompanied by hymns and litanies. The faithful would venerate the Body of Christ as the procession passed by. In recent years, this practice has almost disappeared, though some parishes still hold a brief procession around the outside of the parish church.

### FIFTIETH INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

will be held in Ireland in 2012. In order to cover the expenses of the Congress, the Episcopal Conference has decided that special National Collections will be held in each diocese on the Feast of Corpus Christi each year for 3 years. The first collection will be held this weekend, **13/14th June** and, in the Archdiocese of Dublin, it will replace the normal Share collection.

**ST. MOCHTA'S WAY:** The first brick for our St. Mochta's Way went down last week. It looks great. The rest of the bricks will be laid during the middle of June. We are currently taking orders for the next batch of bricks to be sent off. All the details are in the leaflets at the back of the church. All proceeds are going to service the debt from the building of our new Parish Pastoral Centre. Thank you for your support.

**GORTA:** are looking for good clean second hand clothing, shoes, accessories, books, bric-a-brac, DVDs, CDs and other household items to sell in their network of twelve shops. Bags were handed out last weekend and will be **collected** today 14th June **ONLY** after Sunday Mass. Thank you for your support.

### WEEKLY REFLECTION

Outside the church the noisy traffic flows past.  
People rush hither and thither.

But I have left that world behind  
and I am here before you, Lord.

I do not exclude my brothers and sisters.

I bring them with me,  
for I know that they are equally dear to you.

I have nothing. Yet I know that  
because I have you,  
I have everything.

I close my mind and open my heart,  
and so I am at peace.

Here I experience my true worth, which consists,  
not in my possessions or achievements,  
but in knowing that I am loved by you.

**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 4:35-41.**

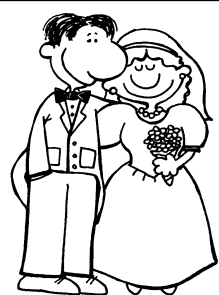
### PRAYER FOR THOSE DOING EXAMS:

Spirit of God, give me a sharp sense of understanding and a retentive memory and an ability to grasp things correctly. Most of all help me to work as if everything depended on me. To pray as if everything depended on you. Grant that I may reflect in the exams I do the best of the work I've done and the best of the teaching I have received. Amen.

**WE'LL BE RINGING NEXT WEEK:** The new electronic bell system was completed last week. It means that the bell will ring automatically each day calling people to Mass and also to prayer with the ringing of the Angelus twice a day. The funds were raised for the system through the Christmas draw. Thank you to all who supported the draw last December.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES:** Because of growing numbers for the blessing of the graves in St. Mary's Cemetery, Clonsilla, it has been decided to move the annual celebration to the summer. It will take place on **Sunday, 5th July at 3pm**. All are welcome to attend.

**TROCAIRE** would like to thank all parishioners who so generously supported the Trocaire Lenten Campaign. The amount collected at **Porters-town** church was **€1,797.00**. Trocaire is committed to working for a just world for all. We can only have this vision because of your goodwill and solidarity.



**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to **Michael Butler and Blathnaid McCormack, John Halligan and Nadine Kelly, Ken Devitt and Christine Duggan and Paul McLaughlin and Aine Connolly** 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 **Jack, Edith, Maeve, Toby and Kate** 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 or see Fr. John after Sunday mass.

