

Rest in Peace / Requiescat in Pace

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of the following parishioners whose anniversaries are being remembered on the following dates.

Day	10.00 a.m.	7.00 p.m.
Monday 12.11.2012		
Tuesday 13.11.2012		Sean & Mamie O'Hanrahan (AR)
Wednesday 14.11.2012		
Thursday 15.11.2012		
Friday 16.11.2012	Sarah & Joseph Kane (AR)	Catherine Moylan & grandparents Kathleen & Joseph Nolan (AR)
Saturday 17.11.2012		Kathleen Cummins & son Michael (AR) John Jenkins & his granddaughter Mandy Jenkins (AR) Catherine & William McBryan (AR) Kathleen Byrne & her husband Dick (AR)

Day	9.00 a.m.	10.30 p.m.	12.00 p.m.
Sunday – 18.11.2012			Eugene & Maureen Joyce (AR) Bridget & James Waddick (AR) Sarah Richardson, husband Michael, daughter Jacqueline & son Papa Hill (AR)

(MM) = Months Mind (AR) = Annual Remembrances (BR) = Birthday Remembrance

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace,

Amen.

Please note that due to the amount of time required to produce the bulletin we cannot guarantee that mass intentions, submitted to the sacristy a week before the publishing date of the bulletin, will be included.

Weekly Bulletin

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St Patrick's Parish, Ringsend & Irishtown

Saturday 10th November / Sunday 11th November 2012

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Office: 01 6697429 - Opening Hours: 9.30 to 13.30 – Monday to Wednesday

Website: www.stpatrickschurchringsend.com

Ceremony of illumination

Saturday 8th December at 7.00p.m. mass

Once again there will be a Christmas tree in the grounds of the Church. This will be a very special Christmas tree in that you will have the opportunity to dedicate one of the lights on the tree to your loved ones (living or deceased).

For a small donation (€5) you will receive an angel which you may hang on your Christmas tree at home. You will also receive a card to hang on the smaller tree in the church, which is located in the Sanctuary where you can write the name of the person you wish to dedicate the light too.



If you would like to take part in this, donations will be accepted after every mass (including weekday masses) in the month of November and up until the 8th December.

(All donations received will be given to Bro. Kevin Crowley Capuchin Day Centre, Church Street for homeless people and Temple Street Children's Hospital)

Christmas Raffle

Tickets for the Big Annual Christmas Raffle are now available. Can all Promoters please see Patsy for their supply of tickets.

People can get the tickets from their usual promoters or contact the Parish Office Monday to Wednesday 9.30am to 1.30pm.

Tickets are also on sale at the back of the church after Saturday evening and all Sunday Masses

Thank you all for your kind support.

St. Pio Mass

The St. Pio group would like to remind us that we are all welcome to attend the St. Pio mass on Wednesday the 21st November at 7.00 p.m. in our Church and bless ourselves with the St. Pio relic.

Church Collection

This weekend, 10th & 11th of November, the Share Collection will be replaced by the **annual Catholic Youth Care Collection**. Please give generously.

Catholic Youth Care (CYC) is a leading provider of youth services in the Archdiocese of Dublin. We provide direct youth work in 10 local youth services and support for voluntary youth work in Dublin City and County, Co Wicklow and parts of Co Kildare. CYC was established in 1944 and set up in its present form in 1977.

Our mission is to promote a youth work response that is caring, compassionate and Christian and enables young people to participate more fully in the life of society and church.

Legion of Mary

Recruiting Drive week-end Masses on November 10th / 11th

The Legion of Mary started over 90 years ago in the Dublin Liberties and is the biggest lay organisation in the Catholic Church. There are over 4 million active members and 5 million auxiliary (praying) members. It is present in 171 countries and has very large membership in Africa, South America, Korea, the Philippines, Hong Kong, to name just a few. It is present in 130 of the 200 parishes in the Dublin archdiocese.

At their weekly meeting, the members pray the rosary and discuss what work they can do to help in their Parish. All work is done for Jesus through Mary.

The object is the Glory of God through the holiness of its members. This week-end Legion of Mary members from neighbouring Parishes are handing out recruiting cards, inviting you to attend an information meeting on Sunday, 11th November at 5 p.m. in the C.Y.M.W.S Centre, (opposite Library).

If you are interested but cannot attend at this time or if you would like to get involved in another parish group, please fill out your contact details on the card and give them to a Legion member after Mass.

Why not give it a try during this 'Year of Faith' and experience the blessings.



Community Notice Board

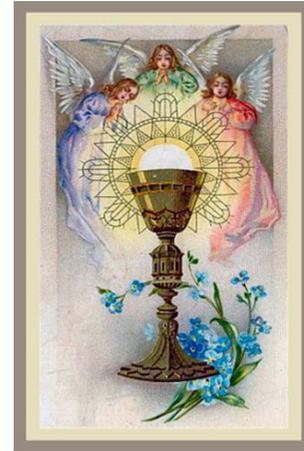
Free Bus Service to Post Office.

Just a reminder to anyone who would like free transport over to the Post Office in Barrow Street. RICC have a free Bus Service every **Friday at 10.30am and 2.30pm from outside the Church.**

Do this in Memory

The first "Do This In Memory" Mass of the 2012-2013 parish First Holy Communion & First Confession Classes, will take place this Sunday 11th November at 12.00.

We would wish the Children, their parents and Guardians and family every blessing on this wonderful journey.



Church Gate Collection

The monthly St. Vincent DePaul church gate collection takes place next weekend 18th & 19th November.

Please give generously.

Child Protection Policy

Please note that a copy of our Parish Child Protection Statement is displayed in the church. A copy may be obtained from the parish office.

Parish office opening hours are 9.30 am to 1.30 pm Monday to Wednesday.

Bingo

Every Monday Night in the C.Y.W.M.S. to support our Local Boys and Girls Schools.

Doors Open at 7pm.

Plan Giving Envelopes

For those who missed the Planned Giving Envelope weekend, envelope boxes are available for the office or sacristy.

Your support is much appreciated.

Church Collections

We thank you for your contributions to the church collections. The amounts collected for the last three weeks were:

Date	First Basket	Second Basket	Other Collections
20 th / 21 st October 2012	€ 668	€ 671	€
27 th / 28 th October 2012	€ 619	€ 513	€
3 rd / 4 th November 2012	€ 669	€ 614	€

The first basket is a collection for the support of priests of the parish and the Diocese. The second basket is for the Share collection.



The First book of Kings

The First book of Kings continues the history of the Israelite monarchy begun in the books of Samuel. It may be divided into three parts: (1) The succession of Solomon as king of Israel and Judah, and the death of his father David. (2) The reign and achievements of Solomon. Especially noteworthy is the building of the Temple in Jerusalem. (3) The division of the nation into the northern and southern kingdoms, and the stories of the kings who ruled them down to the middle of the ninth century B.C. In the two books of Kings each ruler is judged according to his loyalty to God, and national success is seen as depending on this loyalty. Idolatry and disobedience, on the other hand, lead to disaster. The kings of the northern kingdom all fail the test, while the record of Judah's kings is mixed. Prominent in First Kings are the prophets of the Lord, those courageous spokesmen for God who warned the people not to worship idols and not to disobey God. Especially notable is Elijah and the story of his contest with the priests of Baal (chapter 18). (Outline of Contents: The end of David's reign 1.1-2.12; Solomon becomes king 2.13-46; Solomon's reign 3.1-11.43; a)The early years 3.1-4.34, b)The Temple is built 5.1-8.66, c)The later years 9.1-11.43; The divided kingdom 12.1-22.53, a)The revolt of the northern tribes 12.1-14.20, b)The kings of Judah and of Israel 14.21-16.34, d)The Prophet Elijah 17.1-19.21, c)King Ahab of Israel 20.1-22.40, d)Jehoshaphat of Judah and Ahaziah of Israel 22.41-53).

The Gospel according to Luke

The Gospel according to Luke presents Jesus as both the promised Savior of Israel and as the Savior of the whole human race. Luke records that Jesus was called by the Spirit of the Lord to "bring good news to the poor" (4.18), and this Gospel is filled with a concern for people with all kinds of need. The note of joy is also prominent in Luke, especially in the opening chapters that announce the coming of Jesus, and again at the conclusion, when Jesus ascends to heaven. The story of the growth and spread of the Christian faith after the ascension of Jesus is told by the same writer in Acts. There are two sections (chapters 1-2 and 9-19) which contain much material that is found only in this Gospel, such as the stories about the song of the angels and the shepherds' visit at the birth of Jesus, Jesus in the Temple as a boy, and the parables of the Good Samaritan and the Lost Son. Throughout the Gospel great emphasis is placed on prayer, the Holy Spirit, the role of women in the ministry of Jesus, and God's forgiveness of sins. (Outline of Contents: Introduction 1.1-4; Birth and childhood of John the Baptist and of Jesus 1.5-2.52; The ministry of John the Baptist 3.1-20; The baptism and temptation of Jesus 3.21-4.13; Jesus' public ministry in Galilee 4.14-9.50; From Galilee to Jerusalem 9.51-19.27; The last week in and near Jerusalem 19.28-23.56; The resurrection, appearances, and ascension of the Lord 24.1-53).

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The Church has always revered sacred Scripture even as it has revered the body of the Lord, because, above all in the liturgy, it has never ceased to receive the bread of life from the table both of God's word and of Christ's body and to offer it to the faithful.  
(Vatican II. Constitution on Revelation, 21)

**Weekday Morning Mass:** 10.00 a.m.:- Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri, Sat

**Weekday Evening Mass:** 7.00 p.m.:- Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri  
(except Bank Holidays)

**Sabbath Masses:** Sat:- 7.00 p.m. Vigil

Sun:- 9.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m. **Choir**, 12.00p.m. **Folk Group**

**Eucharistic Service:** 10.00 a.m.:- Wednesday (unless there is a funeral)

**Benediction:** Every Monday after 7.00 p.m. Mass (except Bank Holidays) First Friday of each month.

**Rosary:** Monday to Saturday after 10.00 a.m. Mass  
Mon to Friday after 7.00 p.m. Mass

**Baptisms:** Please enquire in the sacristy for available dates. Baptisms are held on Sunday after 12.00 Mass. One month's notice is required.

## Year of Faith

With the Apostolic Letter of 11 October 2011, [Porta fidei](#), Pope Benedict XVI declared a Year of Faith. This year will begin on 11<sup>th</sup> of October on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Second Ecumenical Vatican Council, and will conclude on 24 November 2013, the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King. Throughout the year various events and initiatives will be promoted through the Office of Evangelisation of the Archdiocese of Dublin and updated on their new website:

<http://www.evangelisation.ie/category/year-of-faith/>

His Grace, Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will be the chief concelebrant at a mass in the Pro-Cathedral on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2012, at 11.00am, to celebrate the Year of Faith and the Feast of St. Laurence O'Toole.



## Good News to Go

Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB will lead an evening of meditation with young people in as part of the Good News – email [evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie) to book a place. The evenings will take place at St Teresa's Church, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2.

**Tuesday the 2nd of October at 7.30pm**

**Wednesday the 14th of November at 7.30pm**

**Thursday the 13th of December at 7.30pm**

**Wednesday the 23rd of January at 7.30pm**

## Meant4more Catholic Men's Conference 2012

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2012. This is our third national conference, which is taking place at the Clarion Hotel, Liffey Valley, Dublin. Our guest speaker is Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, a Catholic Permanent Deacon and a popular speaker at Men's Conferences. The Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Charles Brown, will celebrate mass. Tickets €20. Registration starts at 9am and the conference concludes at 5pm. Tickets can be bought on the day or at [www.m4m.ie](http://www.m4m.ie)

**The Letter to the Hebrews**

The Letter to the Hebrews was written to a group of Christians who, faced with increasing opposition, were in danger of abandoning the Christian faith. The writer encourages them in their faith primarily by showing that Jesus Christ is the true and final revelation of God. In doing this he emphasizes three truths: (1) Jesus is the eternal Son of God, who learnt true obedience to the Father through the suffering that he endured. As the Son of God, Jesus is superior to the prophets of the Old Testament, to the angels, and to Moses himself. (2) Jesus has been declared by God to be an eternal priest, superior to the priests of the Old Testament. (3) Through Jesus the believer is saved from sin, fear, and death; and Jesus, as High Priest, provides the true salvation, which was only foreshadowed by the rituals and animal sacrifices of the Hebrew religion. By citing the example of the faith of some famous persons in Israel's history (chapter 11), the writer appeals to his readers to remain faithful, and in chapter 12 he urges his readers to continue faithful to the end, with eyes fixed on Jesus, and to endure whatever suffering and persecution may come to them. The book closes with words of advice and warning. (Outline of Contents: Introduction: Christ the complete revelation of God 1.1-3; Christ's superiority over the angels 1.4-2.18; Christ's superiority over Moses and Joshua 3.1-4.13; The superiority of Christ's priesthood 4.14-7.28, The superiority of Christ's covenant 8.1-9.28; The superiority of Christ's sacrifice 10.1-39; The primacy of faith 11.1-12.29; Final exhortations and conclusion 13.1-25)

**The Gospel according to Mark**

The Gospel according to Mark begins with the statement that it is "the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God". Jesus is pictured as a man of action and authority. His authority is seen in his teaching, in his power over demons, and in forgiving people's sins. Jesus speaks of himself as the Son of Man, who came to give his life to set people free from sin. Mark presents the story of Jesus in a straightforward, vigorous way, with emphasis on what Jesus did, rather than on his words and teachings. After a brief prologue about John the Baptist and the baptism and temptation of Jesus, the writer immediately takes up Jesus' ministry of healing and teaching. As time goes on, the followers of Jesus come to understand him better, but Jesus' opponents become more hostile. The closing chapters report the events of Jesus' last week of earthly life, especially his crucifixion and resurrection. The two endings to the Gospel, which are enclosed in brackets, are generally regarded as written by someone other than the author of Mark. (Outline of Contents: The beginning of the gospel 1.1-13; Jesus' public ministry in Galilee 1.14-9.50; From Galilee to Jerusalem 10.1-52; The last week in and near Jerusalem 11.1-15.47; The resurrection of Jesus 16.1-8; The appearances and ascension of the risen Lord 16.9-20).

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Liturgical Section:

Reflection on today's readings (www.biblical.ie/Lectons/SB3.asp#3469)

Theme: Generosity is not the exclusive prerogative of the rich. The poor have great gifts to share too, and when they do so, others should respond with appreciation..

In today's first reading, we hear that during the famine the widow of Zarephath shares the last of her food with the starving prophet, and is blessed in return.

In today's second reading, we hear that Christ our high priest has appeared in the presence of God on our behalf and opened for us the door of salvation.

In today's Gospel, we hear that *the offering of the widow seemed small in the eyes of others, but since it came from her poverty it had great value.*

Practising Catholic?

In this Year of Faith, we could look at the question, Who is a practising Catholic today? Statistics can first be quoted about trends in the Church: about the drop-off in sacramental practice and Mass attendance, about vocations to priesthood and religious life, and about the difficulty of involving young people in Church-based activities. And then comes the question: Is the practice of the faith gone into decline? If by "practice" we mean regular attendance in Church and unquestioning obedience to hierarchical authority, the answer must be Yes, we are in serious decline. This sets a challenge that all of us, priests and people alike, have to wrestle with: How to make our Church a more welcoming place, where those who have drifted away would feel more cherished, cared for and understood. But there are other important sides to practising the faith, some of which are as alive today as at any time in the past.

Today's Scripture tells of a poor widow who showed compassion by sharing her last crust with the prophet Elijah. Was she practising Catholic? In a real sense, yes, because she did what Jesus expects of his followers. (I was hungry and you.. If you give a cup of water in my name .. Then that other poor woman in the Temple, who quietly put in her last savings so that God would be properly worshipped, was she practising the faith? Yes, because she followed the generous impulse of her heart Whoever gives whole-heartedly of himself/herself to a worthy cause is following the example of Jesus, whether they are aware of it or not. They have the blessing of God and are promised their reward.

If the Year of Faith and the new evangelisation called for by the Eucharistic Congress 2012 are to have any real prospect of appealing to alienated Catholics in Ireland, we need to make sure that our idea of "practising Catholic" includes these vital qualities of compassion and generosity. Indeed, our attendance at Mass and sacraments is only genuine if it prompts us to loving behaviour of this kind. We also need our Church leaders to engage with us in open dialogue on some sensitive points of discipline and practice which many former Church members see as arbitrary impositions by authority, rather than as values arising from life and based on the Gospel. Today in this Eucharist we re-commit ourselves to practice the faith in the way that really counts: by loving and giving of ourselves as Jesus did.

This homily is taken from the following site: (<http://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2012/11/11-november-32nd-sunday-in-ordinary-time/>)