

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 16.04.2012		
Tuesday 17.04.2012		
Wednesday 18.04.2012		
Thursday 19.04.2012		
Friday 20.04.2012		Kay & Nula Walsh (AR)
Saturday 21.04.2012		Mrs Barry (AR) Andrew Finn (AR) Michael & Anne Cunningham (AR) John, Michael & Angela Cunningham (AR) Fran & Kirsty Kennedy (AR) May, Robin & Robert Lawlor (AR)

Day	9.00 a.m.	10.30 p.m.	12.00 p.m.
Sunday – 22.04.2012	Jimmy Tierney (AR) Betty Tierney (AR)	Michael Donnelly (AR) Mary Donnelly (AR) Wayne Donnelly (AR)	Liam O'Leary (AR) Fran Kennedy (AR) Kirsty Kennedy (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 14th / Sunday 15th April 2012

2nd Sunday of Easter

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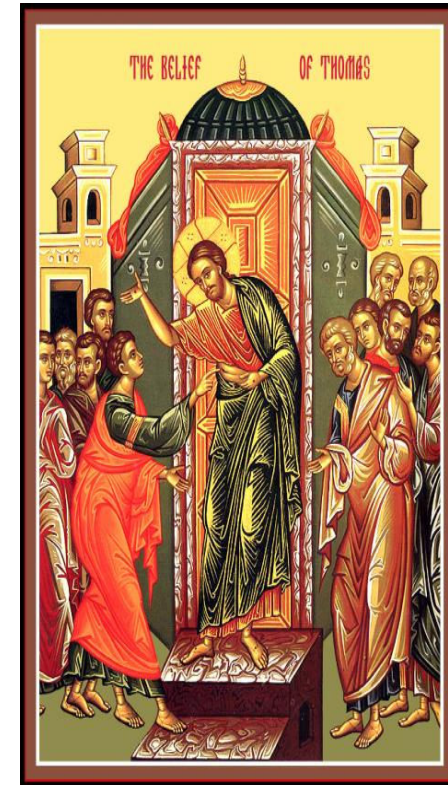


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Eastertide – Fifty Glorious Days

Eastertide (or the Easter Season) lasts for fifty glorious days from Easter Sunday until Pentecost. The Church celebrates the resurrection with the joyful spirits and the reinstatements of the alleluias. The majority of readings are taken from the Acts of the Apostles. The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of the early church. The Apostles, following Jesus' direction to go forth and tell the Good News, went out with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and proclaimed the Gospel and performed miracles in Jesus' name. Most of the Gospel readings, telling of the post-resurrection appearances of Jesus, are from St. John. Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter, and, after the Sunday of the Resurrection, they are named Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter, etc. up to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, while the whole fifty-day period concludes with Pentecost Sunday. The solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated on the fortieth day of Eastertide (a Thursday), except in countries where it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. In such countries it is celebrated on the following Sunday (the forty-third day of Eastertide). The days from that feast until the Saturday before Pentecost (inclusive) are days of preparation for the Holy Spirit the Paraclete. The liturgical colour for Easter Time is white.



Please remember to take a bulletin for your neighbour who, for whatever reason, is unable to join us today.

Community Notice Board

Ringsend and Irishtown Community Centre (RICC)

Free Citizens Information Service

There is a Free Citizens Information Service **every Monday evening from 7.00 – 9.30pm & every Thursday morning from 9.30 - 1pm** in the Ringsend & Irishtown Community Centre.

This is a free confidential service to all offering advice on benefits and legal issues including making your will.

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.**

Church Gate Collection

The Annual Irish Cancer Society Church gate collection takes place next weekend 21st & 22nd April.

Please give generously.

St. Pio Mass

The St. Pio group would like to remind us that we are all welcome to attend the St. Pio mass this Wednesday the 18th April at 7.00 p.m. in our Church and bless ourselves with the St. Pio relic.

Please note that all monies collected at the mass are donated to the homeless shelter run by Bro. Kevin.

Legion of Mary

The Edel Quinn Prayer Petition Box is located at the back of the Church. Requests are prayed for at our monthly meeting, which is held on the **last Thursday of each month, from 7.30p.m. to 8.30p.m.**, upstairs in the C.M.W.S in Ringsend.

All are welcome

Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy Group meet every Tuesday at 3.00p.m. in the church.

All are welcome.

Bingo

Every Monday Night in the C.Y.W.M.S. to support our Local Boys and Girls Schools. **Doors Open at 7pm.**



"Do you think you have a problem with drink? Do you want help? Help is available! " AA meeting every Tuesday night @ 8pm upstairs in St Andrew's Resource Centre.

Child Protection Policy

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

Parish office opening hours are 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. Monday to Wednesday.

Church Gate Collection

The monthly St. Vincent DePaul church gate collection takes place this weekend 14th & 15th April.

Please give generously.

GALLIPOLI 1915.

A public memorial service is being held on Wednesday 25 April, 2012, at 7pm in St Ann's Church, Dawson St, Dublin 2. This service is organised annually by the New Zealand Ireland Association in memory of the NZ and Australian involvement in the First World War, and to give an opportunity to remember Irish soldiers who fought in the Gallipoli campaign. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

Volunteer Drivers for Cancer Patients

Care to Drive is a volunteer transport programme run by the Irish Cancer Society. We recruit and train volunteers to drive patients to and from their hospital appointments. We are currently looking for people in your area to drive patients to and from Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown, the Mater & St. James' Hospital. The service is free to both the hospital and the patient with the Irish Cancer Society incurring all costs. Volunteers are paid for all their fuel expenses. We are asking for volunteers to commit to driving 2 days a month (Mon-Fri). For more information call Gail on 01 2310 566 or email gflinter@irishcancer.ie.

Join Amen Support Services for the Flora Mini Marathon



Are you planning to participate in the Flora Mini Marathon in Dublin this year? Amen Support Services Ltd. are looking for volunteers to run, walk or crawl in the 2012 Flora Mini Marathon on June 4th in Dublin to raise much needed funds to provide services for males victims of domestic abuse. Registration for the Flora Mini Marathon could not be easier, logon to www.florawomensminimarathon.ie and then contact Amen Support Services on info@amen.ie or 046 9023718 to let us know that you will be joining our team on the day.

**It could happen to
Your Son
Your Brother
Your Father
Your Friend**

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
24 th / 25 th March 2012	€ 825	€ 630	€
31 st March / 1 st April 2012	€ 680	€ 574	€
7 th April / 8 th April 2012	€ 988	€ 872	€

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.

Acts of the Apostles

The Acts of the Apostles is a continuation of Luke. Its chief purpose is to tell how Jesus' early followers, led by the Holy Spirit, spread the Good News about him "in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth". (1.8) It is the story of the Christian movement as it began among the Jewish people and went on to become a faith for the whole world. The writer was also concerned to reassure his readers that the Christians were not a subversive political threat to the Roman Empire, and that the Christian faith was the fulfillment of the Jewish religion. Acts may be divided into three principal parts, reflecting the ever widening area in which the Good News about Jesus was proclaimed and the Church established: (1) The beginning of the Christian movement in Jerusalem following the ascension of Jesus; (2) Expansion into other parts of Palestine; (3) Further expansion, into the Mediterranean world as far as Rome.

An important feature of Acts is the activity of the Holy Spirit, who comes with power upon the believers in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost and continues to guide and strengthen the Church and its leaders throughout the events reported in the book. The early Christian message is summarized in a number of sermons, and the events recorded in Acts show the power of this message in the lives of the believers and in the fellowship of the Church. (Outline of Contents: Preparation for the witness 1.1-26; Jesus' last command and promise 1.1-14; The successor of Judas 1.15-26; The witness in Jerusalem 2.1-8.3; The witness in Judea and Samaria 8.4-12.25; The ministry of Paul 13.1-28.31; The first missionary journey 13.1-14.28; The conference in Jerusalem 15.1-35; The second missionary journey 15.36-18.22; The third missionary journey 18.23-21.16; Paul a prisoner in Jerusalem, Caesarea, and Rome 21.17-28.31).

The First Letter from John

The First Letter from John has two main purposes: to encourage its readers to live in fellowship with God and with his Son, Jesus Christ, and to warn them against following false teaching that would destroy this fellowship. This teaching was based on the belief that evil results from contact with the physical world, and so Jesus, the Son of God, could not really have been a human being. Those teachers claimed that to be saved was to be set free from concern with life in this world; and they also taught that salvation had nothing to do with matters of morality or of love for others. In opposition to this teaching the writer clearly states that Jesus Christ was a real human being, and he emphasizes that all who believe in Jesus and love God must also love one another. (Outline of Contents: Introduction 1.1-4; Light and darkness 1.5-2.29; Children of God and children of the Devil 3.1-24; Truth and error 4.1-6; The duty of love 4.7-21; Victorious faith 5.1-21).

The Gospel according to Luke

The Gospel according to Luke presents Jesus as both the promised Saviour of Israel and as the Saviour 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).

Daily readings for the week :

Although the Mass is made up of the liturgy of the Word and the liturgy of the Eucharist, the two parts are so closely connected as to form one act of worship. In the Mass the table of God's word and of Christ's body is prepared and from it the faithful are instructed and nourished. When the scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks.

Sunday 15.04.2011	Second Sunday of Easter
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •First Reading •Psalm •Second Reading •Gospel 	The Acts of the Apostles - ch.2 v.42-47 Psalm – 117: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24 First Letter of St. John - ch.5 v.1-6 Gospel of John - ch.20 v.19-31

Day	First Reading	Gospel
Monday 16.04.2011	Acts of the Apostles - ch.4 v.23-31	Gospel of John - ch.3 v.1-8
Tuesday 17.04.2011	Acts of the Apostles - ch.4 v.32-37	Gospel of John - ch.3 v.7-15
Wednesday 18.04.2011	Acts of the Apostles - ch.5 v.17-26	Gospel of John - ch.3 v.16-21
Thursday 19.04.2011	Acts of the Apostles - ch.5 v.27-33	Gospel of John - ch.3 v.31-36
Friday 20.04.2011	Acts of the Apostles - ch.5 v.34-42	Gospel of John - ch.6 v.1-15
Saturday 21.04.2011	Acts of the Apostles - ch.6 v.1-7	Gospel of John - ch.6 v.16-21

Sunday 22.04.2011	Third Sunday of Easter
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •First Reading •Psalm •Second Reading •Gospel 	The Acts of the Apostles - ch.3 v.13-15, 17-19 Psalm – 4: 2, 4, 7, 9 First Letter of St. John - ch.2 v.1-5 Gospel of Luke - ch.24 v.35-48

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 Gods word and of Christ's body and to offer it to the faithful.
(Vatican II. Constitution on Revelation, 21)

The Tall Ships Races 2012

Information Open Days

CHQ Building Docklands 17th April 1 to 7pm

St. Andrew's Resource Centre Pearse Street 19th April 12 to 6pm

Jump on Board

If you live, play, work or own a business in the Dublin Docklands area or nearby we invite you to attend an Information Day on how the arrival of The Tall Ships Races 2012 in August will impact you.

A map illustrating the Berthing locations and key festival activities and their locations, on both sides of the Liffey from Memorial Bridge to the Docklands, will be on display.

We would love to hear from you, answer your questions and enable you to get involved in what promises to be one of the most spectacular events held in Dublin this year.



For further information contact community.liaison@dublinaltallships.ie or visit www.dublinaltallships.ie

Liturgical Section:

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 months notice is required.

Reflection on today's readings

Theme: Belief and doubt are natural bed-fellows. By submitting to the requested test, Christ pardons Thomas' doubt. We should never be afraid to question our faith.

In today's first reading, we hear the reading paint a glowing picture of the first Christian community. It is a community ideally faithful to the Gospel message.

In today's second reading St. John tells us that the Christian is a child of God. He shows his love for God by keeping his commandments.

In today's Gospel of Saint John we are told that by touching the wounds of the risen Jesus, Thomas' doubt is turned into belief.

(Form <http://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2012/04/15th-april-2nd-sunday-of-easter/>). **Redeeming Moments - (Kathryn Williams)**

Most of us know what it feels like to be left out. Just to recapture that experience, imagine ... you have been out all day. When you come home (tired perhaps), you hear animated voices talking about something amazing that's happened to them. You walk into the room. It's energized with the three E's – enthusiasm, excitement and exhilaration. At that moment, if even for a split second you taste a rising feeling of being left out. It is an understandable thing. This imaginary scene might help us to understand Thomas a little more. For three demanding and enthralling years this small group had been an essential part of his life. When he entered the room that evening, Thomas knew that he had missed out on something that could well become one of the vital and defining moments of the group's life. He tasted that rising feeling as it surfaced. And, as so often happens with these sorts of feelings, other reactions are triggered off. The wonderful thing about this Gospel is how Jesus knows what Thomas (and we) need. In Thomas's case, that missed moment was redeemed. As we gather to celebrate our Eucharist today, we too can experience the way in which Jesus redeems and fills all of our own missed moments.

The Tall Ships Races 2012 - 23rd 26th August 2012.

The world's greatest maritime event is coming to Dublin

Information Open Days will be held in CHQ Building on Tuesday 17th April from 1pm to 7pm and in St. Andrews Resource Centre, Pearse St. on Thursday 19th April from 12 - 6pm. If you live, play, work or own a business in the Dublin Docklands area or nearby or just want to get involved, come along to the Open Days and find out how the arrival of the Tall Ships Races 2012 in August will impact you.

There will be a map setting out the Berthing locations and festival activities, which will take place at key locations in public spaces on both sides of the Liffey from the Memorial Bridge to the Docklands.

I would be obliged if you could forward on this notification to your network of contacts as we would like to reach as wide an audience as possible.

We are also hoping to set up a database of contacts to communicate any other information in relation to the Tall Ships Festival. Could you confirm to the email address below if it is in order for us to use your details on this database- community.liaison@dublinaltallships.ie