

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 17.09.2012		Patrick Keich (AR) Michael & Ann Boland (AR)
Tuesday 18.09.2012		
Wednesday 19.09.2012		Marie O'Dowd & her parents George & Mary O'Neill (AR) Thomas & Francis O'Dowd & the relatives and friends of both families (AR)
Thursday 20.09.2012	Michael Hawthorn (AR)	
Friday 21.09.2012		Ellen & John Finnerty (AR)
Saturday 22.09.2012		Miles Gray (AR) Bridgit, Francis & Tommy Murphy (AR) Mark, Mary & Patrick Maguire (AR) Sadie Lawless (BR)

Day	9.00 a.m.	10.30 p.m.	12.00 p.m.
Sunday – 23.09.2012	Jimmy Dunphy, his parents Jimmy & Annie & brother Tony (AR)		Teresa Boylan & husband John (AR) Paddy Boylan (AR)

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

Please remember, in your prayers, the following parishioner whose funeral occurred recently:

Kathleen Crilly, David Tilson & Peter Tierney

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 15th September / Sunday 16th September 2012

The Twenty-Fourth 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

No Cross, no Crown

The Satan of the desert is still around. But Jesus speaks plainly of the full implications of his coming, and he gives a clear outline to his apostles of what this involves for them. My own experience of being Irish is probably not much different from that of being a native of any other country. Whenever we win a trophy on the international stage, there is nation-wide rejoicing. The heroes of the soccer team, or the winner of an Olympic Gold medal becomes a national hero. This is particularly true of the younger generation.....

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This story is taken from a homily "Hearing and Speech" from the following website: www.biblical.ie/Lectons/SB3.asp#3388.

Nest weekend, 22nd & 23rd of September, the Share Collection will be replaced by the annual collection for Crosscare. Crosscare is the Social Care Agency of the Dublin Diocese.

Please give generously.



Crosscare is involved in a wide variety of social projects in the Archdiocese of Dublin. Since it was founded 70 years ago CROSSCARE has continued to seek to redress poverty and social exclusion. It continues to develop new and innovative programmes and to sponsor new research to help inform policies on combating poverty and exclusion. In reaching out to those most in need CROSSCARE operates 11 programmes throughout the Diocese.

www.crosscare.ie

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 19th September at 7.00 p.m. in our Church and bless ourselves with the St. Pio relic.

Church Gate Collection

A church gate collection for The Irish Wheelchair Association will take place next weekend 22nd & 23rd September.

Please give generously

Community Notice Board

Coffee Morning

A Coffee morning in aid of **Our Lady's Hospice Harold's Cross** will take place on **Thursday 20th September In Cambridge Court 10.30am - 12.30pm.**

Please come along and support this worthy cause.

The Samaritans

The Samaritans would like to thank all the parishioners who contributed to the outdoor collection last week. The sum of €1,287.73 was collected. Thanks you for your generosity.

Baptisms

We welcome into our Christian Community

*Mason Barnes, Eoghan Quaid, Ruby, Butler
McGann, Millie Moore, Faye McCabe Grant,
James O'Carroll & Aoife Daly*

who were recently baptised.

Upcoming events for Pieta House

Pieta House Ladies Night Out is on 5th October 2012 in the Lucan Spa Hotel – Tickets are available from Pieta House on 01 6282111.

A Night at the Dogs – Shelbourne Park 30th November, 2012 – Could this be your Christmas Party Night Out? Tickets for the night will be available from Pieta House. A raffle will be held on the night with a 1st prize of Citroen C1 5 Door Car, 2nd prize Holiday to the value of €1000.00 and 3rd prize 32" TV. Tickets are €10.00 each and are available now from Pieta House 01 6282111.

The Centre for the Prevention of Self-Harm or Suicide
Pieta House | Lucan Road | Lucan | Co Dublin
T: 01-6010000 | W: <http://www.pieta.ie>



Tel: 01-4780866

www.accord.ie



Marriage Preparation

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ATTENDED. IT GAVE US LOTS OF FOOD
FOR THOUGHT"



ACCORD - Official Providers of Marriage Preparation Courses for the Catholic Bishops' Conference in Ireland in each Diocese

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 am to 1.30 pm Monday to
Wednesday.**

Church Gate Collection

The monthly St. Vincent DePaul church gate collection takes place this weekend 15th & 16th September.

Please give generously.

Bingo

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

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
25 th August / 26 th August 2012	€ 739	€ 546	€
1 st / 2 nd September 2012	€ 704	€ 618	€
8 th / 9 th September 2012	€ 714	€ 578	€

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.

Divine Mercy

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

**All are
welcome.**

Parish Pastoral Council

The first Parish Pastoral Council meeting of the 2012-2013 calendar will be held on Tuesday 19th September at 8pm.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

We wish all those travelling to Lourdes on the parish pilgrimage a safe & holy journey. We would also like to thank those who organised the pilgrimage for their hard work and commitment to the parish.

The Book of Isaiah

The book of Isaiah is named after a great prophet who lived in Jerusalem in the latter half of the eighth century B.C. This book may be divided into three sections: 1 - Chapters 1-39 come from a time when Judah, the southern kingdom, was threatened by a powerful neighbour, Assyria. Isaiah saw that the real threat to the life of Judah was not simply the might of Assyria, but the nation's own sin and disobedience to God, and their lack of trust in him. In vivid words and actions the prophet called the people and their leaders to a life of righteousness and justice, and warned that failure to listen to God would bring doom and destruction. Isaiah also foretold a time of world-wide peace and the coming of a descendant of David who would be the ideal king. 2 Chapters 40-55 come from a time when many of the people of Judah were in exile in Babylon, crushed and without hope. The prophet proclaimed that God was about to set his people free and take them home to Jerusalem, to begin a new life. A notable theme of these chapters is that God is the Lord of history, and his plan for his people includes their mission to all nations, who will be blessed through Israel. The passages about "the Servant of the Lord" are among the best-known in the Old Testament. 3 Chapters 56-66 are for the most part addressed to people who were back in Jerusalem, and who needed reassurance that God was going to fulfil his promises to the nation. Concern is expressed for righteousness and justice and also for Sabbath observance, sacrifice, and prayer. A notable passage is chapter 61 verse 1-2, words used by Jesus at the beginning of his ministry to express his calling. (Outline of Contents: Warning and promises 1.1-12.6; Punishment of Nations 13.1-23.18; God's judgement of the world 24.1-27.13; Further warnings and promises 28.1-35.1; King Hezekiah of Judah and the Assyrians 36.1-39.8; Messages of promises and hope 40.1-55.13; Warnings and promises 56.1-66.24).

The Letter from James

The Letter from James is a collection of practical instructions, written to "all God's people scattered over the whole world". The writer uses many vivid figures of speech to present instructions regarding practical wisdom and guidance for Christian attitudes and conduct. From the Christian perspective he deals with a variety of topics such as riches and poverty, temptation, good conduct, prejudice, faith and actions, the use of the tongue, wisdom, quarrelling, pride and humility, judging others, boasting, patience, and prayer. The letter emphasizes the importance of actions along with faith, in the practice of the Christian religion. (Outline of Contents: Introduction 1.1; Faith and wisdom 1.2-8; Poverty and wealth 1.9-11; Testing and tempting 1.12-18; Hearing and doing 1.19-27; Warning against discrimination 2.1-13; Faith and works 2.14-26; The Christian and his tongue 3.1-18; The Christian and the world 4.1-5.6; Various instructions 5.7-20).

- 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.

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 16.09.2012	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •First Reading •Psalm •Second Reading •Gospel 	The Book of Isaiah - ch.50 v.5-9 Psalm – 114: 1-6 The Letter of St. James - ch.2 v.14-18 Gospel of Mark - ch.8 v.27-35

Day	First Reading	Gospel
Monday 17.09.2012	The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - ch.11 v.17-26	Gospel of Luke - ch.7 v.1-10
Tuesday 18.09.2012	The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - ch.12 v.12-14	Gospel of Luke - ch.7 v.11-17
Wednesday 19.09.2012	The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - ch.12 v.31; ch.13 v.1-13	Gospel of Luke - ch.7 v.31-35
Thursday 20.09.2012	The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - ch.15 v.1-11	Gospel of Luke - ch.7 v.36-50
Friday 21.09.2012	The Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians- ch.4 v.1-7, 11-13	Gospel of Matthew - ch.9 v.9-13
Saturday 22.09.2012	The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - ch.15 v.37-35, 42-49	Gospel of Luke - ch.8 v.4-15

Sunday 23.09.2012	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •First Reading •Psalm •Second Reading •Gospel 	The Book of Wisdom - ch.2 v.12, 17-20 Psalm – 53: 3-6, 8 The Letter of St. James - ch.3 v.16-17; ch.4 v.1-3 Gospel of Mark - ch.9 v.30-37

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 Explorers
(Sandymount Inter-Church Scripture
Reading Group)

2012-2013



The Gospel of Mark: six evening gatherings

The first of these meetings will be held in Star of the Sea, Sandymount (enter at the back of the Church). The remaining five meetings will be held in Christ Church Hall, Sandymount Green. All of these meetings will be held between 7.30 - 9 p.m.

Monday, 17 September 2012
Sean Freyne, Emeritus Professor of Theology, TCD

Monday, 15 October 2012
Katherine P Meyer, Minister, Christ Church, Sandymount

Monday, 12 November 2012
Katherine P Meyer, Minister, Christ Church, Sandymount

Monday, 14 January 2013
John McDonagh, Parish Priest, St Mary, Star of the Sea

Monday, 11 February 2013
Katherine P Meyer, Minister, Christ Church, Sandymount

Monday, 11 March 2013
Katherine P Meyer, Minister, Christ Church, Sandymount

The Explorers
are an ecumenical
group based in
Sandymount and
environs, who gather
to read Scripture
together.

You are most
welcome to join us
for the 2012-2013
season, during which
we will be exploring
the **Gospel of
Mark.**

For further information,
please contact Anngret
Simms (269 4974).

Liturgical Section:

[Reflection on today's readings](http://www.biblical.ie/Lectons/SB3.asp#3378) (www.biblical.ie/Lectons/SB3.asp#3378)

Theme: Goodness can and does thrive outside of formal religion. Tragically, it may even be lacking sometimes in those who profess to be religious. Our profession of faith must be matched with good works.

In today's first reading, we hear that the redemptive suffering servant was not rebellious. He did not turn away in the face of sacrifice.

In today's second reading, we hear St. James tell us that faith without good works is dead. James ruggedly insists on the moral side of Christian living.

In today's Gospel, we hear that even when Peter declared his belief in Jesus as the Messiah, he was totally against suffering and sacrifice- and tried to get Jesus to see things his way.

No cross, no crown(continued from front page)

They are motivated to become champions, to receive that medal, and to achieve that success. They bask in the reflected glory of the hero, and may have no idea whatsoever of what preceded that victory. They may have no idea of the hours and hours of gruelling practice, the constant discipline, the great personal sacrifices made by the person who is now on the winning podium. Today, Jesus tells us "no cross, no crown." There can be no Easter without a Good Friday.

Everything that happened to Jesus had been foretold by the prophets for hundreds of years before. He came for a purpose, and, as his life unfolded, it became clearer to him what that purpose was. It may seem strange to put it that way, but, for my own spiritual growth, I like to think that Jesus discovered more and more about his mission as time went on. Don't forget, he did take on our humanity, and I would be slightly uncomfortable with someone who knew exactly every detail of life well in advance! I'm not sure I could relate to that as being realistic, or being anything near what I myself experience.

Many of our sins of omission in life are the result of our fear to face up to something, unsure what it will cost us. We want to get to Easter, and bypass Good Friday, but this cannot be done. No cross no crown. It is the short-term pain for the long-term gain. There is a cost in Pentecost, and living my Christian vocation involves facing up to the fact that I have to die to myself many times in the service of others. This prospect can cause me to hold back, to delay, to try to avoid. I put off facing up to something I should do, in the hope that it may go away by itself. This includes patterns of behaviour, addictions, compulsions, and injustice to others. I know rightly what I should do, but it seems to be too difficult, so I keep postponing doing anything about it, and then, perhaps, life is over, and I never got around to it. This is something on which to reflect today.

There were three young trees growing together in the forest. They were young, healthy, and ambitious. They compared their dreams. One wanted to be part of the structure of a castle or a palace, so it would be a spectator in the lives of the high and mighty of society. The second wanted to end up as the mast in one of the tall ships, sailing around the world with a great- sense of adventure. The third hoped to end up as part of some public monument, where the public would stop, admire, and take photographs.

Years passed by, and all three were cut down. The first was chopped up, and parts of it were put together to form a manger for a stable in Bethlehem. The second was cut down, and the trunk was scooped out to form a boat, which was launched on the Sea of Galilee. The third was cut into sections, two of which were put together, to form a cross on Calvary. Each had a unique and special part to play in the one great story of redemption.