

## 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 23.07.2012	Annie O'Brien & Family (AR) Ann Shields	No Evening Mass
Tuesday 24.07.2012	Christina & Matthew Morley (AR)	No Evening Mass
Wednesday 25.07.2012		No Evening Mass
Thursday 26.07.2012		No Evening Mass
Friday 27.07.2012		No Evening Mass
Saturday 28.07.2012		Abbey Rose Kemple (AR) Shea Collins (AR) Emily Boylan, (AR) Baby Sean Foley (AR) Robert Larkin (AR) Bridgit Larkin (AR) Noel Mantle (AR) Georgie Gannon (AR)

Day	9.00 a.m.	10.30 p.m.	12.00 p.m.
Sunday – 29.07.2012	Behan Family (AR) Byrne Family (AR)	Mary Rossiter (AR)	

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

May their soul 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 21<sup>st</sup> July / Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2012

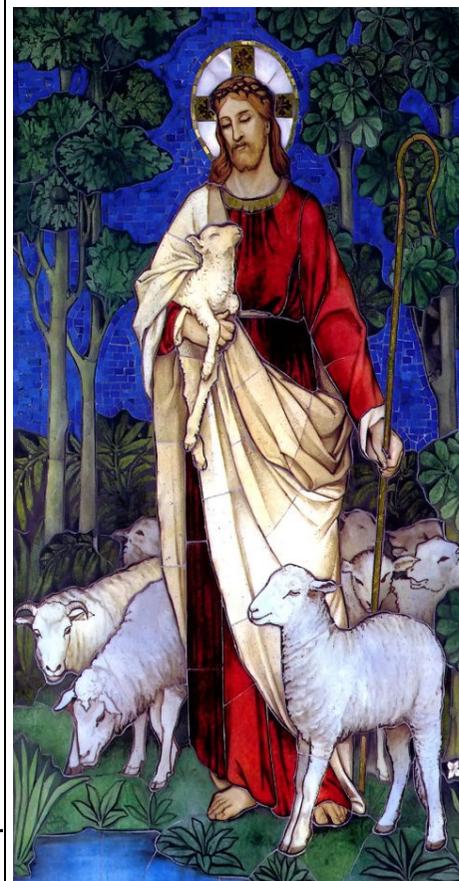
The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*The Good Shepherd, James Powell  
1888*

*The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.*

***When you hear these words, what do you think? When you say these words how do they make you feel?***

This Psalm, Psalm 23, is a song of trust, trust in God. As the Jews wandered in the wilderness, after leaving Egypt the Lord provided everything they needed, they trusted in him completely. God asks us to trust him completely but do we? To trust someone completely means that we do not question them and we do everything that is required of us. Do we accept everything God put before us? Do we do everything that is asked of us as Christians.

As a true follower of Christ we cannot pick and choose what is required of us. When someone does something wrong we must forgive them! When someone asks for our help we must give it! When we choose to be Christians we must accept God fully, we must do what is required of us, we cannot pick and choose what we want. As a child of God we have free will but as a Christians we only have one will, the will of God. If we choose not to follow the shepherd completely then we will become lost.

### Church Gate Collection

There will be a church gate collection next weekend 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> July in aid of Pieta House. (Please see the article on the *Tomás Mulligan Memorial Cycle in aid of Pieta House*).

Please give generously.

### 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.**

# Last call for those interested in joining

## Fr. Ivan on the Bi-annual

## Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes on

## September 17th 2012 for 5 Nights.

### Accommodation in Hotel Alba

### Fully inclusive price of

### €695.00 per person sharing.

### Single room supplement of

### €30.00 per night.

For further details

Contact Patsy Doolin, Miriam Murphy, Marie Connolly,

Geraldine Thorp and Catherine Kelly.

### 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
30 <sup>th</sup> June / 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2012	€ 667	€	€ 665 (Peter's Pence)
8 <sup>th</sup> July / 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2012	€ 678	€ 592	€
14 <sup>th</sup> July / 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2012	€ 676	€ 548	€

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.

### 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.

### Community Notice Board

#### Clanna Gael Summer Camps

Camp 1: Football: Tues 7 to Fri 10 Aug  
Cost: €60 per week

Camp 2: Hurling/Camogie: Mon 13 to Fri 10 Aug  
Cost: €60 per week

(the cost for attending both week is €100 – saving of €20)

For further information call: 087 901 1716

#### Regattas

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July, at 12.0'clock, St Patrick's Rowing Club are holding their Annual Regatta.

All are welcome

### No Evening Mass during the month of July

#### Monday to Friday

There will be no 7pm evening mass, Monday to Friday during the Month of July. There will be 7pm Mass every Saturday evening during July.

Please note that there will be no monthly St. Pio Mass during the month of July. The St. Pio mass will return on the third Wednesday in August.

### Seniors' Garden Party and Book Swap Fair

Sandymount Tidy Towns Committee, DCC and Irish International invite you to come along to the Seniors' Garden Party & Book Swap Fair on Sandymount Green this Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 2 pm. Tea & Scones, strawberries & cream and Music.

All are welcome.



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## **The Tomás Mulligan Memorial Cycle**

*The Tomás Mulligan Cycle is an annual event that raises awareness and funds for Pieta House, the suicide and self-harm crisis centre.*

*Suicide is a growing problem in Ireland. Suicide is something that can happen to anyone. Suicide affects families, communities and towns all over Ireland.*

*Tomás Mulligan was popular, talented, healthy, young Dublin footballer who had everything to live for. In August 2007 Tomás Mulligan was lost to suicide. Tomás' death left the Mulligan family shocked and devastated. In 2008 the family channelled their grief into organising an event to celebrate Tomás' life and raise awareness of suicide in Ireland.*

*The first annual Tomás Mulligan Memorial Cycle took place in August 2008. 26 cyclists took part in the two-day cycle from Belmullet to Dublin, raising €20,000 for suicide awareness. By 2011, the number of cyclists had grown to 75 and the amount raised was over €52,000. In 2009, the Tomás Mulligan Memorial Cycle teamed up with suicide and self-harm crisis centre, Pieta House. Pieta House is a non-profit organisation which provides a professional, face-to-face, free-of-charge therapeutic service for people in the acute stages of distress. The primary aim of Pieta House is to reduce suicide by helping people get through that critical phase when suicide becomes a plan rather than just an idea.*

*The cycle aims to celebrate Tomás' life, the lives of those lost to suicide, to raise awareness about suicide and to inform people in distress of where they can go for help. This year the cycle will depart Dublin for Dundalk on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> of August and return on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup>. Organising a cycle of this size and distance is a major logistical undertaking and wouldn't be possible without copious amounts of food, drinks, gallons of tea and coffee for the cyclists and the crucially important support teams, (health and safety, first aid, bicycle repair, motor cycle crew, stewards, collectors and catering personnel).*

*Each year after the cycle there is an unforgettable sense of achievement. The sense of achievement is made all the more significant when a cheque is presented to Pieta House.*

*Pieta House estimate that for every €1000 raised, they can provide help and treatment to someone in serious need. That means that in 2011, the Tomás Mulligan Memorial Cycle helped 52 people to receive treatment.*

**All donations and sponsorships are gratefully appreciated**

**Thomas Mulligan Sr. will speak at all Masses on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July.**

## **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 22.07.2012	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
•First Reading	The Book of Jeremiah - <b>ch.23 v.1-6</b>
•Psalm	Psalm – 22
•Second Reading	Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians - <b>ch.2 v.13-18</b>
•Gospel	Gospel of Mark - <b>ch.6 v.30-34</b>

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<b>Monday</b> 23.07.2012	Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians - <b>ch.2 v.19-20</b>	Gospel of John - <b>ch.15 v.1-8</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 24.07.2012	The Book of Micah - <b>ch.7 v.14-15, 18-20</b>	Gospel of Matthew - <b>ch.12 v.46-50</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> 25.07.2012	Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - <b>ch.4 v.7-15</b>	Gospel of Matthew - <b>ch.20 v.20-28</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 26.07.2012	The Book of Jeremiah - <b>ch.2 v.1-3, 7-8, 12-13</b>	Gospel of Matthew - <b>ch.13 v.10-17</b>
<b>Friday</b> 27.07.2012	The Book of Jeremiah - <b>ch.3 v.14-17</b>	Gospel of Matthew - <b>ch.13 v.18-23</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 28.07.2012	The Book of Jeremiah - <b>ch.7 v.1-11</b>	Gospel of Matthew - <b>ch.13 v.24-30</b>

Sunday 29.07.2012	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
•First Reading	The Second Book of Kings - <b>ch.4 v.42-44</b>
•Psalm	Psalm – 144: <b>10-11, 15-18</b>
•Second Reading	The Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians - <b>ch.4 v.1-6</b>
•Gospel	Gospel of John - <b>ch.6 v.1-15</b>

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 Book of Jeremiah

The prophet Jeremiah lived during the latter part of the seventh century and the first part of the sixth century. During his long ministry he warned God's people of the catastrophe that was to fall upon the nation because of their idolatry and sin. He lived to see this prediction come true with the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonian King, Nebuchadnezzar, the destruction of the city and the Temple, and the exile to Babylonia of Judah's King and many other people. He also foretold the eventual return of the people from exile and the restoration of the nation.

## Letter from St. Paul to the Ephesians

Paul's Letter to the Ephesians is concerned first of all with "God's plan... to bring all creation together, everything in heaven and on earth, with Christ as head". It is also an appeal to God's people to live out the meaning of this great plan for the unity of mankind through oneness with Jesus Christ. In the first part of Ephesians the writer develops the theme of unity by speaking of the way in which God the Father has chosen his people, how they are forgiven and set free from their sins through Jesus Christ the Son, and how God's great promise is guaranteed by the Holy Spirit. In the second part he appeals to the readers to live in such a way that their oneness in Christ may become real in their life together. Several figures of speech are used to show the oneness of God's people in union with Christ: the church is like a body, with Christ as the Head or like a building, with Christ as the cornerstone: or like a wife, with Christ as the Husband. This letter rises to great heights of expression as the writer is moved by the thought of God's grace in Christ. Everything is seen in the light of Christ's love, sacrifice, forgiveness, grace, and purity. (Outline of Contents: Introduction 1.1-2; Christ and the Church 1.3-3.21; The new life in Christ 4.1-6.2; Conclusion 6.21-24).

## The Book of Psalms

The book of The Psalms is the hymn book and prayer book of the Bible. Composed by different authors over a long period of time, these hymns and prayers were collected and used by the people of Israel in their worship, and eventually this collection was included in their scriptures. These religious poems are of many kinds: there are hymns of praise and worship of God; prayers for help, protection, and salvation; pleas for forgiveness; songs of thanksgiving for God's blessings; and petitions for the punishment of enemies. These prayers are both personal and national; some portray the most intimate feelings of one person, while others represent the needs and feelings of all the people of God. The psalms were used by Jesus, quoted by the writers of the New Testament, and became the treasured book of worship of the Christian Church from its beginning. (Outline of Contents: The 150 psalms are grouped into five collections, or books, as follows: Psalms 1-41; Psalms 42-72; Psalms 73-89; Psalms 90-106; Psalms 107-150)

<b>Weekday Morning Mass:</b>	10.00 a.m.: - Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri, Sat
<b>Weekday Evening Mass:</b>	7.00 p.m.: - Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri (except Bank Holidays)
<b>Sabbath Masses:</b>	Sat:- 7.00 p.m. Vigil Sun:- 9.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m. <a href="#">Choir</a> , 12.00p.m. <a href="#">Folk Group</a>
<b>Eucharistic Service:</b>	10.00 a.m.: - Wednesday (unless there is a funeral)
<b>Benediction:</b>	Every Monday after 7.00 p.m. Mass (except Bank Holidays) First Friday of each month.
<b>Rosary:</b>	Monday to Saturday after 10.00 a.m. Mass Mon to Friday after 7.00 p.m. Mass
<b>Baptisms:</b>	Please enquire in the sacristy for available dates. Baptisms are held on Sunday after 12.00 Mass. One months notice is required.

## Liturgical Section:

### Reflection on today's readings

**In today's first reading**, we hear that the shepherds who neglected the flock are severely blamed; but God promises to send shepherds who will care about his sheep.

**In today's second reading**, we hear that by his death Jesus broke down the wall that divided Jews from Gentiles, and he now unites all peoples as children of the one Father.

**Today's Gospel** of Saint Mark is a nice example of Jesus' care for his apostles as well as his compassion for the people who were "like sheep without a shepherd".

**Extracts form** (<http://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2012/07/22-july-16th-sunday-in-ordinary-time/>) - **Shepherds For Today**

In many areas of life today there is a crisis of authority. The simple fact of holding a leadership position no longer ensures loyalty and unquestioning obedience. The successful leader today is one who can win respect and generate trust, and for this one needs respect for people's dignity and rights, sensitivity to their feelings and genuine concern for their well-being.

Shepherds, according to Jeremiah, are responsible for others in their care; ones who guide the people along the right path (Psalm), and have compassion on them in their weakness (Gospel). We often think of this image as applying only to our bishops – who claim the official title as "pastors" in succession to the apostles, or to our priests, the "local pastors" – but in fact the role of "shepherd" at one level or another, applies to all who hold positions of leadership. We are all invited today to examine, in the light of the readings, how we carry out our leadership potential. The shepherds condemned by the prophet in today's reading were leaders responsible for the nation's welfare, who failed to live up to their responsibilities or to fulfil their duties worthily. Those with similar responsibility today might be political figures, ministers and government officials at various levels, who have the difficult task of ensuring a nation's well-being, defending the rights of citizens, and of providing for their needs, insofar as possible. The "shepherd" image indicates that the authority of such people is not to be equated just with the ability to impose their will on those they govern. A shepherd's role is ultimately one of service, not of dominion: to set a good direction and enable a community to live harmoniously together, with dignity and with a sense of personal fulfilment.

In Church, the term shepherd applies naturally to spiritual pastors and sometimes Church leaders can push the image too far, treating their people more like sheep that have to be prodded along than as intelligent human beings whose wisdom and commitment should be respected. In today's world, the "Father knows best" attitude is not well received. The clergy cannot rule by decree, based on formal authority, but must focus on winning minds and hearts, and try to communicate an inspiring vision of Christian living, suited to our times. They must trust the maturity and responsibility of their people, if they want to promote a greater participation in Church life and activity.

Besides the shepherds of Church and State who hold official leadership roles, many others must in practice be pastors at a humbler level and in more humdrum situations. Parents and teachers are the most obvious examples of this. It is they who help to develop a child's character, to lay the foundations for growth into Christian maturity. They communicate values by which young people can live, and foster faith and commitment that can grow over the years. For this they need the sensitivity and compassion that characterised Jesus as portrayed in today's Gospel.