#### 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 06.08.2012      |                        | No Mass   |
| Tuesday<br>07.08.2012  |                        |   |
| Wednesday 08.08.2012   |                        | Janet O'Reilly (AR)   |
| Thursday 09.08.2012    |                        |   |
| Friday<br>10.08.2012   | Margaret O'Reilly (BR) |   |
| Saturday<br>11.08.2012 |                        | Evelyn Redmond & husband Andrew (AR) Andrew Dunne (MM) Mary & Billy Donnelly & their sons Eddie, Peter (AR) Emmet & Peg McCabe (AR) |

| Day                    | 9.00 a.m. | 10.30 p.m. | 12.00 p.m. |
|------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Sunday –<br>12.08.2012 |           |            |            |

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

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

## Nicholas Halpin & Doris Flanagan

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 4<sup>th</sup> August / Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2012

### The Eighteenth 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

## The Bread of life

In Today's Gospel Jesus is calling us all to be disciples, to follow him, to believe in him and to accept him completely. This is what it means to stand up, to move forward and to present oneself at the alter of the Lord to receive Him, to receive the spiritual food that sustains us in our daily lives. The mass is not only a place for us to remember Christ's self giving for our salvation but it is a place of self giving of ourselves to Christ. We open ourselves to the Spirit



through consuming both the Word of God and the Eucharist. We accept the responsibility of discipleship by our individual proclamation of the faith in the creed. By our participation we become followers of Christ. In his daily meditation Pope Benedict XVI states that: "To follow means to entrust oneself to the word of God, to rate it higher than laws of money and bread and to live by it. In short, to follow means to believe but to believe in the sense of making a radical decision between the only two possibilities for human life, bread and the word. The human person does not live on bread alone but also and primarily on the word, the spirit meaning. It is always the same radical decision that confronts disciples when they hear the call, "Follow Me". The radical decision to stake one's life either

on profit and gain or on truth and love. The radical decision to live for oneself or to surrender oneself. Only in loosing themselves can human beings find themselves. To follow Christ is to accept the inner essence of the cross and thus to imitate God Himself. For on the cross God revealed himself as the one who surrenders his glory in order to be present for us, who desires to rule the world not by power but by love and in the weakness of the cross reveals his power which operates so differently from the power of this world's mighty rulers. To follow Christ then means to enter in the self-surrender that is the real heart of love. (This quote is taken from "Benedictus Moments – Daily Meditations of Pope Benedict XVI").

#### **Baptisms**

We welcome into our Christian Community

Frey Whelan, Andrea Kane Atienza, Erika Kane Atienza, Hollie Lynch Walsh, Lily Spain, Lily Higgins & Bradley McDonald Brennan

who were recently baptised.



For Further information please call: 01 675 3690

or go to www.youth2000.ie

### **Lourdes Invalid Fund**

There will be a church gate collection after all masses this weekend 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> August in aid of the Lourdes Invalid Fund

Donation will also be taken after 10am mass each day this week

Your support is greatly appreciated.

#### **Divine Mercy**

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

All are welcome.



### **Thank You**

Thomas and Frances Mulligan have asked Fr. Ivan and Fr. Fergal to convey their joy at receiving such a warm welcome and the generosity of the fantastic parishioners of Ringsend.

They collected €1,776.74 for Pieta House.

#### **Church Gate Collection**

There will be a church gate collection next weekend 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> August in aid of Threshold.

Threshold is a registered charity whose aim is to secure a right to housing, particularly for households experiencing the problems of poverty and exclusion

Please give generously.

## 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, and Catherine Kelly.

Please note that the last date bookings will be taken is Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August.

All outstanding monies must be paid by that date.

#### **7pm Evening Mass resumes**

The 7pm evening mass resumes this Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August.

Please note that since Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August is a Bank holiday there is no evening Mass.

#### **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 Collections**

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

| Date   | First<br>Basket | Second<br>Basket | Other Collections |
|--|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 14 <sup>th</sup> July / 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2012 | € 676           | € 548            | €                 |
| 21st July / 22nd July 2012                         | € 684           | € 568            | €                 |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> July / 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2012 | €               | €                | €                 |

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 Book of Exodus

The name Exodus means "departure", and refers to the most important event in Israel's history, which is described in this book -the departure of the people of Israel from Egypt, where they had been slaves. The book has four main parts: (1) The freeing of the Hebrews from slavery; (2) Their journey to Mount Sinai; (3) God's covenant with his people at Sinai, which gave them moral, civil, and religious laws to live by; (4) The building and furnishing of a place of worship for Israel, and laws regarding the priests and the worship of God. Above all, this book describes what God did, as he liberated his enslaved people and formed them into a nation with hope for the future. The central human figure in the book is Moses, the man whom God chose to lead his people from Egypt. The most widely known part of the book is the list of the Ten Commandments (20.1-17). (Outline of Contents: The Israelites set free from Egypt 1.1-15.21; Slaves in Egypt 1.1-22; Moses' birth and early life 2.1-4.31; Moses and Aaron confront the king of Egypt 5.1-11.10; The Passover and the departure from Egypt 12.1-15.21; From the Red Sea to Mount Sinai 15.22-18.27; The Law and the covenant 19.1-24.18; The Sacred Tent and instructions for worship 25.1-40.38)

#### **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).

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 05.08.2012 | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                         |
|-------------------|--|
| •First Reading    | The Book of Exodus - ch.16 v.2-4                           |
| •Psalm            | Psalm – 77: 3-4, 23-25, 54                                 |
| •Second Reading   | The Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians - ch.4 v.17, 20-24 |
| •Gospel           | Gospel of John - ch.6 v.24-35                              |

| Day                     | First Reading  | Gospel                                |
|-------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Monday<br>06.08.2012    | The Book of Daniel - ch.7 v.9-10, 13-14                    | Gospel of Mark - ch.9 v.2-10          |
| Tuesday<br>07.08.2012   | The Book of Jeremiah - <b>ch.30 v.1-2, 12-15, 18-22</b>    | Gospel of Matthew - ch.14 v.22-36     |
| Wednesday<br>08.08.2012 | The Book of Jeremiah - ch.31 v.1-7                         | Gospel of Matthew - ch.15 v.21-28     |
| Thursday 09.08.2012     | The Book of Hosea - ch.2 v.16-17, 21-22                    | Gospel of Matthew - ch.25 v.6         |
| Friday<br>10.08.2012    | Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - ch.9 v.6-10 | Gospel of John - <b>ch.12 v.24-26</b> |
| Saturday<br>11.08.2012  | The Book of Habakkuk- ch.1 v.12-16: ch.2 v.1-4             | Gospel of Matthew - ch.17 v.14-20     |

| Sunday 12.08.2012 | Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                                  |
|-------------------|---|
| •First Reading    | The First Book of Kings - ch.19 v.4-7                               |
| •Psalm            | Psalm – <b>33: 2-9</b>  |
| •Second Reading   | The Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians - ch.4 v.30-32 : ch.5 v.1-2 |
| •Gospel           | Gospel of John - ch.6 v.41-51                                       |

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)

### **Community Notice Board**







## SUMMER PROJECT

AVAILABLE FOR THE

SECOND CAMP ~ 20<sup>TH</sup> – 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2012

PLEASE CONTACT: SYLVIA ON 660 4789

OR

CALL INTO THE RINGSEND AND IRISHTOWN
COMMUNITY CENTRE

BETWEEN 9.00A.M. - 1.00 P.M.





#### **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

#### <u>Bingo</u>

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

## **Liturgical Section:**

#### Reflection on today's readings

**In today's first reading,** we hear that God feeds the Israelites in the desert by sending them manna and quails. This became the classic example of Yahweh's care for his people.

**In today's second reading**, we hear St. Paul tell us that Christians should turn aside from an aimless, pagan style of life to live in a spirit of goodness, holiness, and truth.

**In today's Gospel** of Saint John, we hear that Jesus is the true bread from heaven, nourishing his people with a life that will never end.

Extracts form (http://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2012/08/5th-august-18th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-2/) - *Hunger for God* 

History repeats itself. At least, certain historical events, though widely separated in time, often have features strikingly similar. Historians attribute the proximate cause of the French Revolution to the chronic bread-shortage in Paris. What began as a simple demand for bread later developed into a full-scale revolution for liberty, equality and fraternity. Almost twenty five years ago, back in the late 1980s another world-shaking revolution happened on the other side of Europe. The first inkling of the fall of the Berlin Wall and the breakup of Russia's Communist empire was in the lengthening queues to buy bread. Those endless bread queues changed to mass rallies, leading to a radical regime change. The Soviet regime, like the French monarchy, had ignored the dictum coined by the Romans two thousand years earlier: To keep the people happy, "give them bread and entertainment."

When the Berlin Wall fell, crowds of East Germans poured through it to the West to share in the Promised Land on the other side. But the early euphoria was soon mixed with a bitter-sweet longing for some of what had been left behind. Some of the more discerning were deeply disillusioned at what they found in the West. The shops were full alright and so were the people. But for those who could see beyond the consumerism, there were long lines of soul-famished people. The well-upholstered West Berliners, who dined so well, were often just as hungry as their killer cousins from the East. It may not be the hunger which provokes revolutions but it is just as lethal to individuals.

There is a great hunger today in the West, a hunger for God and his life-giving influence in our lives. We should be slow to gloat over the demise of atheistic communism, because the Christian West is ailing too, less spectacularly, perhaps, but no less seriously. With our situation of declining church attendances and a disappearing priesthood, our needs are urgent. "I am the bread of life," Christ tells us as he told the hungry crowd, "Those who come to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

John 6:35:- Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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