

the sick, aged, housebound or dying outside the celebration of the Eucharist. It is not to reserve hosts for their distribution to subsequent congregations during other celebrations of the eucharist.

Next week I will write a newsletter on the other 'just cause'

*Fr. Michael Carey*

### ***Mass intentions for Next Week***

Mon 8.00am Sheila Tracey

**Mon** 10.00am The Precious Blood in Honour  
and Thanksgiving

**Tues** 8.00am Kathleen White &  
Dolly Daly nee Grogan

**Tues** 10.00am Christie Dignan & Dec Family Members

**Wed** 8.00am Catherine Byrne

**Wed** 10.00 Sean Andrews

**Thurs** 8.00am Harry Sheridan

**Thurs** 10.00am In Thanksgiving

**Fri** 8.00am Thomas Fitzsimons

**Fri** 10.00am Adrienne Byrne

**Sat** 6.30pm Frank King

**Sun** 8.30pm Pauline Delaney  
Maureen Haughey

**Sun** 11.0pm Anthony McQuillan

**Sun** 6.30pm Martin Reilly & Annie  
Reilly

### ***Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM***

**Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, 11.00am (Irish Mass) & 12 noon. Mon & Tues 9.20am**

We will have the last Mass in the current Drynam church structure on Sunday 23rd July. We are making alternative arrangements for Sunday morning Masses after that and further information will be provided in the announcements at Mass.



### **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Lord understands us and knows us better than we know ourselves. O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways (*Ps 139:1-3*). He knows of what we are made and so we can come confidently before him with our brokenness and need of his grace. It might be good during Mass today to become aware of whatever is a burden to us now in our life and ask the Lord for his love and healing touch.

**Prayer** - Lord, you bore the weight of our humanity to come as near to us as possible. Help us to realise that you stand beside us and walk with us the journey of life. (*Source: St. Paul's Missal*)

### **The Bible's Most Important People**

**Peter** – Jesus' disciple, also called Simon Peter and Simon Bar-Jonah, who was called from his fishing, along with his brother Andrew, to become a fisher of men. The brothers were among Jesus' most intimate disciples. He was chosen by Jesus as the leader of the Twelve, the 'rock' on which the Church was built. Following the giving of the Great Commission, Peter spoke boldly in his Pentecost sermon. He healed the lame beggar at the temple gate and refused to stop preaching when the Jewish Council arrested him. He was crucified under Nero and buried at the Vatican

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14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **Dies Domini: On Keeping the Lord's Day Holy**

*“Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches to the ends of the earth”*

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Continuing on from last week's newsletter, the Irish Bishop's document, 'IT IS GOOD FOR US TO BE HERE – gathered on a weekday when the eucharist is not celebrated' contains a reflection on St. John Paul II's, document, *Dies Domini: On Keeping the Lord's Day Holy*. It states that on the Eucharist/Mass we celebrate on Sunday should be characterised by the joy, festivity, unity and hope of Easter.

#### **The Celebration of the Mass in General**

In the celebration of the liturgy, the same Lord that is *encountered* especially through the Eucharistic elements of bread and wine is *heard* in the proclamation of God's Word and is *seen* in the gathering of the faithful, the other members of the household of God and of God's people, as well as in the ministry of the presiding ordained celebrant.

At the Last Supper, Christ undertook a fourfold action: he took, he blessed, broke and gave. This happens at every celebration of the Mass:

- *Taking* bread and wine (the presentation of the gifts);
- *Blessing* the bread and wine (praying the Eucharistic Prayer from the Preface dialogue to the Great Amen, by which the presiding priest and the whole assembly of the faithful participates in God's consecration of the bread and wine);
- *Breaking* the Eucharistic bread (the Fraction Rite, in which the bread being broken signifies that the faithful are all of the one body and blood of the Lord)

The triple action of *taking*, *blessing* and *breaking* leads and makes possible the fourth action, which is encountering the Lord in the *giving* and *receiving* by the assembly of the Eucharistic bread and wine.

The Church is exacting in her teaching that Holy communion, as the *giving* and *receiving* of the Eucharistic elements (bread and wine), is not separated without just cause from the concurrent celebration of the Eucharistic Prayer; the experience, that is, of the *taking*, the *blessing* and the *breaking* in the one and the same celebration.

#### **Giving and receiving outside of Mass**

The Church permits *two* just causes for separating the *giving* and *receiving* of the Eucharistic elements from the concurrent experience of celebrating the full Eucharistic rite inclusive of the preceding, essential actions of the *taking*, the *blessing* and the *breaking*.

The faithful who are sick, aged, housebound or dying may receive the Eucharist at any hour, the elements of the Eucharist are taken from what is reserved in the Tabernacle. The primary purpose of the tabernacle in a church is to reserve the Eucharist for the Holy Communion of

## ADMINISTRATOR'S COLUMN

Antiphon - 'Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord'



### Summer Schedule

The Saturday 10.00am is dropped for the summer and will return on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September

### Saturday Morning Liturgies

Brackenstown – celebrates Saturday Morning Mass at 10.00am followed by confessions from 10.30am to 11.30am

River Valley - celebrates Saturday Morning Mass at 11.00am followed by confessions until 11.30am

### Weekday 8.00am Mass

This Mass is dropped from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July and will resume on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August

### Church Painting

The painting of the interior of the Church is scheduled to start on Sept 11<sup>th</sup>. I am delighted with this news. For the number of weeks that it will take to paint the church, the 10.00am morning Mass will be suspended. The 8.00am will be celebrated. This will enable the painter to get a good 'run' at the job. More info nearer the time.

### Confessions:

Saturday confessions are available on Saturday evenings from 6.00pm to 6.20pm

### Charities Act

To comply with the Charities Act we are obliged to send a communication to everyone who has made a contribution to the Parish for Christmas/Easter Dues and the Family Offering. This we are very happy to do. In order to minimise postage costs, I'd be much obliged if parishioners could help drop the letters in people's post boxes. The letters are in the sacristy as opposed to the back of the Church as they are individually addressed. **There are still some envelopes remaining for delivery.** Thanking you in anticipation

### Organist/Choir Director

As you may know Anne McDonagh is retiring from her position as Choir Director/Organist after 52 years of extraordinary service to this parish particularly in the music ministry. We wish her well and there will be an opportunity to pay tribute to her at a later date. Is there someone in our community or among a wider circle that you think might be interested in this position which will become vacant in September? Good keyboard skills, sound knowledge of the liturgy, experience of choir work and ability to work as a member of a team are some of the gifts that we would look for in reviewing applications. Diocesan Guidelines for Church Musicians are used to determine remuneration.

### St. Vincent de Paul

The outdoor monthly collection for the VdP, will be taken up **this** weekend at all Masses

### World Meeting of Families Volunteer Programme

Dublin, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families in August 2018. Started by Saint John Paul II, and held every three years, this major world event celebrates family as the cornerstone of our lives, and the fundamental building block of society and the Church.

WMOF 2018 are now recruiting volunteers for a wide range of roles. We need the support of thousands of volunteers, as individuals or groups to assist in organising and running this exciting series of events. For more information visit the website [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer). Leaflets are also at the back of the Church



### St Vincent De Paul School uniform Appeal.

The St Vincent De Paul shop in Swords would greatly appreciate new/used wearable school uniforms/ shirts, tracksuits, jumpers, trousers shoes bags etc from both primary and secondary schools. Please donate items to our shop at 1 Castle Shopping Centre Swords Shop open Monday - Saturday 10.00am - 5.30pm Uniform sale will take place in July

### Life to the Full (Jn 10:10) Book Club.

Join other young adults (20's & 30's) each week to meditate, share and discuss life, faith, purpose & how to live life to the full. We read a chosen spiritual book over a few weeks and come to reflect and discuss our thoughts.

*Every Thursday 7.00-8:30pm, St Paul's Church Arran Quay (Smithfield).*

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### Saints this coming week

**St. Benedict, Abbot and Patron of Europe – Tuesday 11th July.** Born c.480 and died c. 547 and was educated in Rome. Turning his back on the worldliness, he retired to live as a hermit in a cave near Subiaco. His fame spread and disciples began to join him, whom he organized into twelve small monasteries. He eventually moved to Montecasino, where he founded the famous abbey, and produced his Rule, drawing on the monastic wisdom of the Christian East as well as earlier Western Rules and his own practical experience. He was proclaimed patron of Europe in 1964 by Pope Paul VI because of his essential influence in the formation of Christendom.

**St. Bonaventure, bishop and doctor of the church – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July,** 1221-74, born in Tuscany. A friend of St. Thomas Aquinas, he taught at the University of Paris and became Minister General of the Franciscan Order. He was chosen Archbishop of York (England) in 1265 but never consecrated. He was eventually created Cardinal Bishop of Albano and died during the council of Lyons. Remembered chiefly for his philosophical and theological works, he became known as the 'Seraphic (*blissfully serene*) Doctor'.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July.** This feast honours the Blessed Virgin as patroness of the Carmelite Order. It later came to be associated with a supposed vision of St. Simon Stock, said to have taken place on 16<sup>th</sup> July 1251. Wearing the 'Brown Scapular', a symbol of the Carmelite habit, is a sign of trust in Mary's maternal help, especially as the hour of death. (*not celebrated this year, as falls on a Sunday*)