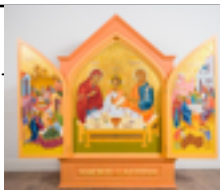


ADMINISTRATOR'S COLUMN

*How much better our family life would be if we used the words...
. Please. Thank you...and I'm sorry. **Pope Francis***



This coming week

Monday 9th Oct to Friday 13th October – 8.00am Mass in the Church

Monday 9th Oct to Friday 13th October – 10.00am Mass in the Parochial House

Saturday 14th October – 10.00am morning Mass in the Church followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Weekend Schedule as normal in the Parish Church.

Church will be open

For the duration of the painting the Church will remain open and people can visit as normal to say prayers and light a candle

Church Painting – Scaffolding

The Scaffolding is in place so that the painters can paint the upper walls and the roof. I think it best that no funerals be celebrated in the Church these days and should a funeral occur I'll request of the family that it be celebrated in Brackenstown or River Valley.

Mission Month of October 2017

We are now in the Mission Month of October. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission and is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland. A calendar of events has been put in place by World Missions Ireland throughout the month of October, details of which can be found on our website (www.wmi.ie).

World Mission Sunday is in two weeks' time! Please remember that in two weeks' time, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection, the Mission Sunday collection.

St. Vincent de Paul

The outdoor monthly collection for the VdP, will be taken up **this** weekend (*2nd Sunday of the month as per normal*) at all Masses

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

The PPC will meet in the Parochial House this Monday 9th October at 8.00pm in the Parochial House.

A Date for your Diary

Next month on Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm, the Parish will celebrate its annual Mass of Remembrance

Irish Hospice Foundation: A public talk on Dementia and loss with speaker Breffni McGuinness from the Irish Hospice Foundation will take place on Thursday 12th October at 8.00pm in Protmarnock Parish Centre. All welcome

Safeguarding

Letters are being prepared to be delivered (by hand in the main) to all members of Parish Ministry Teams regarding the requirement to be Garda Vetted. This will be happening over the next few weeks. I kindly ask for your co-operation. The Parish Pastoral Council are undergoing this exercise to comply with Diocesan best practice and also with the legislative requirements of the National Vetting Bureau (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Act 2012. Thanking you in anticipation

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Bishop Raymond Field is hosting a Mass of **Thanksgiving** for his Pastoral Area on Sunday the 15th of October at 10.30am in St. Brigid's Parish, Blanchardstown for couples who are celebrating Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond and Platinum Wedding Anniversaries. Were you Married in [1947](#), [1957](#), [1967](#), [1977](#) or 1992? If so and you would to attend this Mass please leave your name with Colette so that can inform Blanchardstown Parish.

October Taster of Taizé: This coming October, Brother Jean Marie of the Taizé community in France will visit Ireland for ten days. As the contact brother to Irish pilgrims he is well known to many of our young people who have travelled there in recent years. Those familiar with CD's of the chants from that ecumenical monastery will also know Br Jean Marie's lovely tenor voice. He is the author of many of the new chants emerging from the Taizé community's beautiful liturgy and prayer. Here in Dublin he will be present for a chanted Taizé Evening Prayer around the Cross in St Paul's Church, Arran Quay, Dublin 7 on Friday 13th October at 7.30pm and people of all Christian denominations are welcome. Those who took part in his previous visits know it will be a wonderful prayer moment. Parking in the Smithfield area is free after 7.00pm and the Smithfield LUAS stop is nearby. All welcome.

Br Jean Marie will also be leading a Taizé Reflection Day and Workshop for 16 to 30 year olds in St Paul's on Saturday 14th October at 11.30am. The day will include Taizé midday prayer a selection of workshops and concluding with the 7.30pm Vigil Mass. to book Refelction Day email taizedublin@gmail.com

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Wednesday 18th of October from 19:30 to 21:00 in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

There will be no Bethany Bereavement Support Meeting on Monday 9th October. Support Meetings continue on the last Monday of every month in the Parochial House on Seatown Road, Swords at 7.30pm. You are very welcome to attend. Enquiries- please phone 8403243.