

be afraid”.

Father Kieran O’Mahony describes our response to this situation very well:

*“Do not be afraid” is one of those expressions which goes straight to the heart. Who has not sometimes been afraid? The command not to fear combines two things: firstly, it is a recognition that yes, sometimes we are afraid; secondly, it proclaims that in the community of faith, with Jesus, God-with-us, our companion on the way, we ought really to be free from deep fear, because “all shall be well.” Let us hear again the words, “Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.”*

Jesus more than anyone recognised that our journey of faith can at times be far from a smooth passage. We meet different challenges and difficulties. Some of these are planned and some come about in an unexpected way. It was once said that what happens us in life cannot always be foreseen but what distinguishes us is how we deal with it as Christian people. The message in today’s Gospel is that, as believing people, Jesus is with us in our difficult moments as well as our joyful ones and that he will literally cross the stormy waters of our lives to support us in every situation that we may encounter.

As a prayer to the Sacred Heart says: *“You care for us when we are lost, sympathise with us in loneliness and comfort us in mourning. You are closest to us when we are weakest. You reach out your hand to us when we stumble and are in need of your help.”*

Let us pray in the coming week that we can allow the time and space to recognise that Jesus is accompanying us and especially so in moments of doubt and difficulty – and let us thank God for the grace of his presence in our lives. A grace that was abundantly present in the life of Saint Teresa of Calcutta. *Gerard Reilly*

*Gerard Reilly is a Permanent Deacon in Donaghmede and Ayrfield parishes*

## PARISH OF LARKHILL/WHITEHALL/SANTRY



# NEWSLETTER



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### St. Teresa of Calcutta

20th August 2017

When visiting Galway city in June, we attended Mass at the Cathedral. Towards the end of the Mass, the priest mentioned that a relic of Saint Teresa of Calcutta would be arriving there the following week. I must admit to have been sorry to miss it and joined a number of people who went to say a prayer and light candles before a large photograph of St Teresa of Calcutta as others dispersed.



This occasion made an impression on me and I was delighted when the relic made its way to Clarendon Street Church in Dublin the week before last. It was very inspiring to see the faith of the many people who queued up to venerate the relic.

While many of the saints that we pray to are in some way remote

figures from hundreds of years ago, St Teresa of Calcutta is very much a Saint of our times. She lived from 1910 to 1997 which is well within the memory of many of us including myself.

She once said: *“We ourselves feel that what we are doing is a drop in the ocean but the ocean would be less -because of that missing drop.”*

Mother Teresa spoke on two in the Carmelite Church in Whitefriar Street back in 1979 and again two years later in 1981. Her talks, as they generally did, revolved around the Eucharist. *“Unless we are convinced of Christ’s presence in the Eucharist”*, she told the congregation, *“we will never be able to recognise Him in our brothers and sisters in whatever condition we are likely to find. Last Sunday’s reading was the familiar story of Jesus walking on the water to disciples who are in a boat, where he says to them: “Do not*

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

7th -12th September 2017

**Hotel Solitude \*\*\*\***

5 Nights – Full Board

Fully Inclusive Price €725

In conjunction with the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage

(single room subject to

confirmation – supplement €175)

To book please contact Anne in the Parish Office Tel: 8375274



**One Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg**

If you have thought about coming to Lough Derg but never managed to get there, or if you have been there in the past, and thought you will go back some day. Let that some day be this year. A one day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg Saturday 26th August.

Coach from Holy Child Church, Whitehall at 6.30am. Cost €60 includes bus, morning tea/ coffee, light lunch, stay on Island.

€20 deposit.

Contact Marie McAllister 842 5678

**We welcome in Baptism:**

Ava Marie Walsh

Chloe Valentim

Alicia Valentim

Erin Gaffney

Ezrah Kenny



*May these newly baptised children always know and love Jesus as their friend.*

**Recently Deceased**

You are asked to remember in your Prayers: Thomas Kane

Elizabeth (Lily) Irwin

Ronnie Rayner, Mary Baxter

James (Seamus) Byrne

*May they enjoy perfect peace*

*and reconciliation*

*in the presence of God.*



**Pastoral Collection**

This important Parish collection will take place **THIS weekend 19th/20th August.** The money we receive goes towards the training and requirements of all the Pastoral Teams. It ensures that each Team can be resourced and trained and therefore can give the best service to their ministry.

Could those who have agreed to help with this collection please come to the Sacristy before Mass this weekend and collect a basket. Many thanks for your continued help with this important Parish Collection.

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**CAPUCHIN DAY CENTRE**

Autumn Sale will be held at 58 Shanliss Way Santry on Sat. 2nd Sept. 11am. – 2pm. Stalls include cakes, gifts, toys, hand knitted jumpers, scarves, hats, tea cosies, & baby blankets, golf clubs, variety of lovely new clothes including jeans, jackets, handbags, shoes and a selection of jewellery.

Donations of such items would be appreciated. Light Refreshments, Tea, Coffee & Soft Drinks available. Bro. Kevin Crowley (Director of the Centre will be in attendance at the Sale and looks forward to seeing you there.

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**The 16th Annual Young Adults**

Conference, All Hallows College, Gracepark Road, D9 on Sat 2nd and Sun 3rd Sept. The conference invites young adults to learn, share and discuss our Catholic faith. The schedule includes a host of exceptional speakers and group activities. Theme: "Know Mary, Know Jesus ... Dare to Believe!" 2 days non-residential: €50, Residential: €80. Meals included. Further information call Keith on 086-8899123 or Lucy on 087-9959803. Legion of Mary Project

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**Mass Intentions for the coming week Church of the Holy Child**

Monday 21st August	9.15a.m. Available for Intention 7.00p.m. John & Kay McCartie (Anniversary)
Tuesday 22nd August	9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m. Available for Intention
Wednesday 23rd August	9.15a.m. June Comiskey (Anniversary) 7.00p.m. Agnita Curtis (Anniversary)
Thursday 24th August	9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m. Available for Intention
Friday 25th August	9.15a.m. Mary and Michael Nolan (Anniversary) 7.00p.m. Available for Intention
Saturday 26th August	10.00a.m. Available for Intention Vigil 7.00p.m. Liam Maher (1st Anniversary) Thomas Traynor (Anniversary) Anne Hourihane (Anniversary)
Sunday 27th August	11.15a.m. People of the Parish 12.30p.m. Desmond O'Brien 6.00p.m. Anthony Dennis Snr. (1st Anniversary) Anthony Dennis (Jnr.) (Anniversary) Maria Hanlon (Anniversary) and deceased members of the Hanlon Family

**Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball**

Wednesday 23rd August	10.00a.m. Available for Intention
Sunday 27th August	10.00a.m. Martin & Ann Patterson, Michael O'Donohoe, Matthew Smith, John & Kathleen Doyle (Anniversaries)



**Please Support your Parish Lotto**

Last Tuesday's winning numbers were:

1st Jackpot: 2 14 18 20 2nd Jackpot: 10 13 24 30

No Jackpot winner. The winners of the Seven Consolation prizes were:- P. Grogan: J. Donlon: B. Magee: M. Ruddell: M. Maguire:

A. Mahon: B. M. B. Tea Room

Next Draw: 1st Jackpot €11,000 2nd Jackpot €2,000

Plus Seven Consolation Prizes of €25



**One Year to World Meeting of Families 2018 -**

We invite you and all your family to come along to the launch of the one-year programme of preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018, which will take place at the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, on Monday, 21st August 2017, the anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady.

This day of celebration will include the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops and faith and fun activities for all the family. The MOF2018 Icon will be presented at Mass in the Basilica at 3p.m. and then begin its journey around the Dioceses of Ireland.

**Starlight GAA Club Santry**

**Family Fun Day**

**3 - 6pm. Sunday**

**20th August 2017**

at their sport's ground on Collinstown Lane.

Why not come along & join in the fun.

