

Pius XI. The beautiful marble Stations of the Cross were erected a few years ago at the far end of the prairie down by the River Gave. Their wonderful depiction of the Passion and Crucifixion is certainly conducive to reflection.

What amazed us most was the dedication of the young people, boys and girls, who tended to the sick and most vulnerable, taking them to all the ceremonies, bringing them shopping to buy little souvenirs to take home with them. Keeping them company, having chats with them and all this done with the utmost dignity and respect.

I saw a young carer singing "Somewhere over the Rainbow" to a lady she was caring for and who was obviously very poorly, and to see the lady's face light up when the young person was singing to her is a moment that stays with me still.

I was very surprised to learn that Lourdes has a social side as each night when ceremonies were over our group would gather in the hotel to have a chat about the day's activities and maybe sing a song and have a tippie or two.

Please God my daughter and myself will return this year for our second pilgrimage to Lourdes with Whitehall Parish and we are hoping to visit more places like Bartres where St. Bernadette tended sheep while living there with her foster parents, the 'Lake of Lourdes', 'the City of the Poor' set in the hills around Lourdes and the Bergerie- the replica of the sheepfold where St. Bernadette tended her sheep.



It was an amazing experience that will stay with me forever. The Lord works in mysterious ways." *Annemarie*

As I said at the beginning this was written by a younger person describing her first experience of Lourdes with her little daughter. If you are considering joining our Parish Pilgrimage this year please contact Anne in the Parish Office as soon as possible and she will give you all the information regarding our trip. Places are still available.

Marie McAllister – Tour Leader

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Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2019

30th June 2019

This year our Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from 4th to 9th September. As Leader of this group for many years I thought I would share with you a pilgrim's experience of her first pilgrimage to Lourdes, which she has given me permission to do.

In her own words, "it is hard to know where to begin and what to leave out to do justice to describe the fantastic atmosphere when you take a pilgrimage to Lourdes. Myself and my daughter Ella, who has special needs, gave in to my mother's invocation to make a pilgrimage to Lourdes where she has been many times.

I am 39 years old and would not be the holiest of people, so going on a pilgrimage to Lourdes did not really appeal to me. My perception of Lourdes was praying all the time with sick or old people. Well how wrong was I, from the time I entered through St. Joseph's Gate

into Rosary Square I got this overwhelming feeling that I was in a very special place.



From the open-air Mass at the Grotto where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette to the breath-taking experience I had at the baths and the most amazing torchlight procession just blew me away which is an unforgettable sight no words can adequately describe.

Each day my daughter and myself followed the itinerary with our Parish group including the Blessed Sacrament Procession into the underground Basilica of St.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes Wed. 4th – Mon. 9th September 2019

Hotel Solitude ** 5 Nights Full Board**

Fully Inclusive Price €759 per person sharing.

(single room €180 supplement)

Travelling in conjunction with the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage.

For more information and to book

please contact Anne in the Parish Office Tel: 01 8375274



Dardistown Cemetery Mass Sunday, 7th

July 2019 - This annual Mass is a huge undertaking for our Parish and many people are required to help our Parish Team. We invite Ministers of the Eucharist to volunteer to minister at this Mass. We also require people to accompany each Minister carrying an umbrella (this will enable people attending the Mass to see clearly where each Minister of the Eucharist is standing during the distribution of the Blessed Sacrament). Maybe each Minister could bring along another person to help with this. People are also needed to help with the Collection before and after the Mass. If you can help in any way please leave your name and contact details on the list available on the table in the Parish Centre or with the Sacristan in the Church of the Holy Child or in Blessed Margaret Ball. Our sincere thanks for your continued help with this special Mass in our Parish.

Cemetery Masses

Kiltiernan Cemetery Park Ecumenical Service Sunday June 30th at 1.30pm.
Glasnevin Cemetery Mass takes place on Sunday 30th June at 3.00pm.
Balgriffin Cemetery Mass will take place Sunday, 7th July at 12.00p.m.
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Dardistown Cemetery Mass takes place on Sunday 7th July at 3.00p.m.
Deansgrange Cemetery Sunday Annual Mass and blessing of graves will take place on Sunday 7th July at 3.00pm.
St Patrick's Cemetery Glencullen Annual mass and blessing of the graves will take place on Sunday 14 July 2019 at 3 pm in St Patrick's Cemetery Glencullen.
Esker Cemetery Mass Lucan, will take place on Sunday, 25th August at 3.00pm.



The Strawberry Fayre - Sunday 30th June 2019 10.30a.m. – 1.00p.m.



This has always been a wonderful morning with lots of strawberry goodies. Come and join us and show your support for our Parish Centre.

First Friday 5th July 2019 – Mass Schedule

Holy Child - 9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m.
 Confessions on Thursday after the 9.15a.m. Mass and before the 7.00p.m. Mass

Recently Deceased: You are asked to remember in your Payers: John Walsh, Thomas Power,
May they enjoy perfect peace and reconciliation in the presence of God.



Church Collections 23-6-2019

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| 1st Collection | €1,736 |
| SHARE | €1,575 |
| Family Envelope | €840 |

Many thanks for your generosity.

Holy Communion is available to all communicants under both kinds at the Main Altar, Priest's Chair side.



Parish Lotto Please Support your Parish Lotto

Last Tuesday's winning numbers were:

1st Jackpot: 16 25 28 30 2nd Jackpot: 2 5 20 22 No Jackpot winner.
 The winners of the seven prizes of €25 were: P. O'Connor: N. & C. McDonnell: M. & J. Stanley: M.R.R. Cullen: B. Screene: N. Fox: J. Smyth.
 Next Week's Lotto Draw: First Jackpot €15,000 Second Jackpot €1,200
Plus 7 Consolation Prizes of €25 & Five Special Prizes of €100

Mass Intentions for the coming week

Church of the Holy Child

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| Mon. 1st July | 9.15a.m. Available for Intention 7.00p.m. Josie O'Neill & Peggy Burke (Anniversaries) |
| Tues. 2nd July | 9.15a.m. Elizabeth Keogh & Pat Keogh (Anniversaries) 7.00p.m. Bridie & Vincent Morrissey (Anniversaries) |
| Wed. 3rd July | 9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m. Available for Intention |
| Thurs. 4th July | 9.15a.m. Available for Intention 7.00p.m. Patrick Curtin (1st Anniversary) Liam Tuck (Anniversary) |
| Fri. 5th July | 9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m. Altar List of the Dead |
| Sat. 6th July | 10.00a.m. Available for Intention Vigil 7.00p.m. Available for Intention |
| Sun. 7th July | 11.15a.m. Pro Populo 12.30p.m. Michael McLoughlin (Month's Mind) 6.00p.m. Jim O'Connor (Anniversary) |

Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball

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| Wed. 3rd July | 10.00a.m. Available for Intention |
| Sun. 7th July | 10.00a.m. Available for Intention |

Volunteer Drivers Wanted: The Irish Cancer Society Volunteer Driver Service is looking for volunteer drivers who will drive patients to and from their chemotherapy appointments. The service is free to the patient with all driver expenses are paid. They are currently looking for volunteers in the north and west areas to drive patients to and from their appointments in our partner Dublin hospitals. For more information or an application email Gail at gflinter@irishcancer.ie -call 01 2310 566

Annual Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend we take up the Peter's Pence Collection, one of the oldest collections in Church history. Peter's Pence is an initiative by the faithful from all over the world which, by giving, allows the Catholic church to carry out its mandate, taking part in works of mercy. It will replace the Share collection.

Ministers of the Word – The new Group C roster is available for collection from the reception area in the Parish Centre.

Ministers of the Word needed – If you would like to become a Minister of the Word at the **11.15am or 6pm Mass on Sundays**, please leave your name and phone number in the Sacristy, marked for the attention of Mary Gormley. You will be contacted within a few days. Training will be provided.