

the example of Jesus and listen to how he teaches us in his stories. Today he asks us to know ourselves, just like the man building a tower plans what he has and what he can do."

Father Donal adds: "The gospel is full of people trying to do their best and learning with fresh starts and after their mistakes how to follow Jesus. Goodness is vulnerable. We can try our best and fail. We make promises that don't last despite our best efforts. In the eyes of God goodness is in what we do and in what we try to do. God sees the goodness of the heart."

Someone once told me: "Do your best and God will do the rest". God will make up for what is lacking from our own efforts. And that is of great consolation to all of us working in ministry today.

Some of our parishioners are travelling to Lourdes this week, with family members and friends, as part of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage. It is a year of celebrations in Lourdes associated with Saint Bernadette. According to the Lourdes website, January 7th 2019 was the 175th anniversary of Bernadette's birth and she was baptised two days later on January 9th. And on April 16th we celebrated the 140th anniversary of her death.

The theme for pilgrimages to Lourdes this year is "Blessed are the poor, for the Kingdom of God is theirs" (Luke 6:20). Let us pray for the pilgrims travelling from our parish that they will have a safe and inspiring journey and come back home refreshed, renewed and revitalised. We pray that that our Lady of Lourdes will continue to inspire and assist us all as we celebrate today the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Your prayers and intentions will be especially remembered at the grotto and a special candle will be lit for everyone in the parish. Gerard Reilly who is a Permanent Deacon in Donaghmede & Ayrfield parishes

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abilities and resources.

I don't think Jesus is telling us in our Gospel today to be risk adverse on our faith journey.

Soon to be Saint John Henry Newman wrote a homily entitled "The Ventures of Faith". Newman tells us that we must take risks or "venture" for our faith.

He says:

"A great lesson is impressed upon us that our duty as Christians lies in making ventures for eternal life without the absolute certainty of success."

Newman tells us that ventures of this kind have a certain amount of difficulty and uncertainty associated with them. And this was the case in Newman's own life where he overcame many challenges and difficulties, not least his attempts to establish a Catholic University in Dublin which later became UCD.

Reflecting on today's reading, Father Donal Neary writes:

"We nourish the good in ourselves by prayer, community by good deeds and an honourable way of life. We watch

We are arranging to get some building work done at the moment. This involves planning, arranging a builder and, of course, a quantity surveyor to make sure that expenditure stays in line with the budget available.

I was reminded of this project when I read this Sunday's gospel:

"Which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish"."

I am hoping that the Quantity Surveyor will save us from this eventuality but it also brings to mind the faith dimension of this story. We can all only take on so much and, as Saint Therese of Liseaux reminds us, we should do the little things well. Each and every one of us has a mission - if you like a tower to build - and it is up to each of us to do the best job we can according to our energy,

Church Collection 1/9/2019

1st Collection	€1,628
Crosscare	€4,025
Family Envelope	€1,250

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



The Family Mass Sunday 12.30p.m. - Are you interested in joining one of the Youth Ministry Teams? **The Youth Choir, the Young Ministers of the Word**



and the **Altar Servers** all are recruiting new Members. Full training will be given. If you are interested please speak with a member of the Family Mass Team on Sunday before or after the 12.30p.m. Mass or contact Anne in the Parish Office – 01 8375274.

It's great fun so why not give it a try!!



Parish Lotto

Please Support your Parish Lotto

Last Tuesday's winning numbers were:

1st Jackpot: 4 15 21 24 2nd Jackpot: 1 3 11 25 No Jackpot winner.

The winners of the seven prizes of €25 were: T. Madden; C. Gallagher; B. Mahon; P. Casey; H. McChesney; D. Smith; M. Redmond.

The winners of the five special prizes of €100 were:

B. Mahon; B.M.B. Tea Room; L. Colley; M. Redmond; P. McHugh.

Next Week's Lotto Draw: First Jackpot €15,000 Second Jackpot €1,700

Plus 7 Consolation Prizes of €25



Mass Intentions from the 7th September – Holy Child

- Sat. 7th Sept. 10.00a.m. John Connolly – Month's Mind
7.00p.m. Madge & Alfie Ruddell, John & Christine Doyle – Annivs.
- Sun. 8th Sept. 11.15a.m. Alice Duffy – 1st Anniversary
12.30p.m. Seán & Philomena Duffy, John Duffy, Alice Gibney & her son Eamonn, Maura Ward & Mary Brady – Annivs.
- Mon. 9th Sept. 9.15a.m. Thanksgiving, Bridget Clancy – Birthday Remembrance.
7.00p.m. Sergio S. Duhan – Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance.
- Tues. 10th Sept 9.15a.m. David & Maureen Rogers, Charles & Bridget Freehill -Annivs
- Wed. 11th Sept. 9.15a.m. Margaret MacNamara – Anniversary
- Thurs 12th Sept 7.00p.m. Kevin Burke – Anniversary
- Fri. 13th Sept. 9.15a.m. St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society
7.00p.m. June Mulvey - Month's Mind
Terence Whelan – 1st Anniv., Peter McDermott – Anniv.
- Sat. 14th Sept. 10.00a.m. Joe McDonnell - Anniversary
Vigil 7.00p.m. Seán Snr. & Seán Thorphy Jnr. & Maureen Thorphy – Annivs.
Mary Bowes & Paul Carragher – Anniversaries
- Sun. 15th Sept. 11.15a.m. Bridie Gaine – Month's Mind
12.30p.m. Nuala Clarke, Dan O'Connor, Ellen & William Lawlor, Michael Eccles – Anniversaries
6.00p.m. Olive Murphy – Month's Mind, Noel Kelly – Anniversary

Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball

- Sun. 8th Sept 10.00a.m. Kay Black, Gerry O'Brien – Anniversaries
- Sun. 15th Sept. 10.00a.m. John & Julie McCormack, Ted Redmond – Anniversaries.
Tommy Kiernan - Anniversary & deceased members of the Kiernan Family

Recently Deceased:

You are asked to remember in your Prayers:

Maureen O'Reilly

May she enjoy perfect peace and reconciliation in the presence of God.



We welcome in Baptism: Maya Bree Behan

We pray that this newly baptised child will always know and love Jesus as her friend.



Liturgy Team -The next meeting will take place on Wed. 11th Sept. 2019 at 7.30p.m. in the Parish Centre.

Church Gate Collection this weekend is for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Mass Intentions from the 13th August 2019 Church of the Holy Child

- Tues. 13th Aug 9.15a.m. Robert & Winifred McShane & Patrick Smith – Annivs
- Wed. 14th Aug. 9.15a.m. Peter Walsh – Birthday Remembrance
7.00p.m. Kathleen Bedford – Anniv. & husband William R.I.P.
- Fri. 16th Aug 7.00p.m. Michael Gray – Month's Mind
- Sat. 17th Aug 7.00p.m. Norman Rogers, Liam Maher, Tony Gray – Annivs.
- Sun. 18th Aug 6.00p.m. Joseph & Eithne Curran & Ger O'Riordan – Annivs.
- Mon. 19th Aug 7.00p.m. Alice Clarke – Recently Deceased.
- Thurs. 22nd Aug 9.15a.m. Albie Rocca – Anniversary
7.00p.m. Ann Cox – Month's Mind, John & Kay McCartie -Annivs
- Fri. 23rd Aug 9.15a.m. June Comiskey – Anniversary
7.00p.m. Michael Gray- R.I.P.
- Sun. 25th Aug. 11.15a.m. Sarah Brady – Month's Mind
12.30p.m. Desmond O'Brien, Joseph & Eileen O'Connor & deceased members of the O'Connor Family, Seamus Greene – Anniversaries
Ed Burke – Special Intention
6.00p.m. Anthony Dennis (Jnr) & Anthony Dennis (Snr) - Annivs.
- Mon. 26th Aug 9.15a.m. Mary & Michael Nolan – Anniversaries.
- Wed. 28th Aug. 9.15a.m. Julia Burns – 1st Anniversary
- Thurs. 29th Aug 7.00p.m. Rose Cordial, Maureen Kirby, Eileen Uí Mhuirí – Annivs.
- Fri. 30th Aug. 7.00p.m. Regina Witke – Anniversary
- Sat. 31st Aug 10.00a.m. Jenny Gibson – Anniversary
Charlotte Maples Brinkman – recently Deceased.
7.00p.m. John Morrin – 1st Anniv. Mary Crowley, Frank McGeough, Maureen Scahill – Anniversaries
- Sun 1st Sept. 11.15a.m. John Dolan – Month's Mind, Cecil Graham – Anniv.
12.30p.m. Greg Flood – 1st Anniv. Tom Traynor, Richard & Philomena Heaney – Anniversaries
6.00p.m. Patrick Levins- 1st Anniversary

Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball

- Sun. 18th Aug. 10.00a.m. Deceased members of the Finn Family – R.I.P.
- Sun. 25th Aug. 10.00a.m. Ann & Martin Patterson, John & Kathleen Doyle, Patrick (Pat) Carroll, Matthew Smith – Anniversaries.
- Sun. 1st Sept. 10.00a.m. Michael O'Donohoe, Vincent, Bridie, Denis & Maureen Moloney, Thomas & Kate McGowan – Anniversaries

Ballymun Adult Read & Write Scheme:

Daytime & Evening Courses in CDETB
Ballymun Adult Education Centre. No Charge
For more info Tel: Christine 862 2402

Eucharistic Adoration Holy Child Church

Mon. – Fri. 9.45a.m. - 11.45a.m. & 18.00p.m -19.00p.m.
All welcome. Volunteers required Wed. 10.45a.m. to 11.45a.m. Thurs. 18.00p.m. to 19.00p.m. Can you commit? Please just turn up and sign the attendance register. Gentle reminder to all regular attendees to sign the register. Further info. Tel: Marian Kilgallon 087 0533214