

## Parish Lotto

As the lotto Licence is up for renewal we will be pausing the draw until we receive the new licence. We would ask that you do not send in any envelopes until further notice.

There are still a number of Lotto winner cheques yet to be collected. Please contact the Sacristy/Parish Office and check if you are one of the winners.

**Youth Choir** -The Parish Youth Choir have returned to sing at the 12.30p.m. Sunday Mass.. If any young person is interested in joining please speak with Katie after Mass.



**The Adult Choir** - The Adult Choir have returned to sing at 10.30a.m. Sunday Mass. New members are very welcome to come along any Monday evening or stop by after Mass for a chat.

### Crosscare Annual Appeal 2022

The annual Crosscare Collection will take place at all Masses this weekend, September 17th and 18th. This year, Crosscare are looking for help for their Homeless Prevention and Food Poverty Support Services – both of which are coming under increasing demand from people struggling to find accommodation and families coping with increases in fuel prices and the cost of living. We would ask for your support for Crosscare in this weekend’s second collection or by donating online at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie)

**W.A.R.A**  
W.A.R.A. Bowls returns on Monday 19th September 2.00p.m. to 4.00p.m.



**St. Francis Hospice Coffee Morning**  
Coffee Morning in aid of St. Francis Hospice will take place at 14, The Thatch Road on Thursday, 22nd September from 10.00a.m. A Raffle will be held on the day All Welcome

**We welcome in Baptism:**  
**Raeya Ann Stephenson**

*May this newly baptised Child always know and love Jesus as her friend.*



**Recently Deceased:**  
You are asked to remember in your Prayers: Maurice Byrne Kathleen Reidy  
*May they enjoy perfect peace and reconciliation in the presence of God.*



## PARISH OF LARKHILL/WHITEHALL/SANTRY



# NEWSLETTER



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*“No servant can be the slave of two masters”*

**18th September 2022**

In the Gospel today, Jesus presents us with a real-world dilemma. He tells us that *“No servant can be the slave of two masters; he will either hate the first and love the*

*second or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money”.*

This reading speaks about the importance of relationships over money. The steward in our Gospel realises this and calls in his master’s debtors to reduce the amounts they owe. Jesus acknowledges that this is a clever strategy as it means that they will be more likely to help him when he is out of a job.

The steward also realises that at times of crisis its our networks of friends and family that really make a difference. No amount of money will heal and support us in the way a good friend can do in a time of need.

In this Gospel reading, Jesus is telling us to get our priorities right.

This reminds us of the story of

*We continue to keep in our prayers the people of Ukraine*

Martha and Mary in St. Luke’s Gospel where we are told that *“Martha was distracted by her many tasks.”* Jesus tells

her *“You are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing.”*

The reading also addresses the interaction between the church and the world of work. Which should take priority?

As I have a full-time job, my ministry is for the most part focused on weekends. My main role is baptism preparation with families and the celebration of the sacrament. This is a great opportunity to share sacramental joy with families many of whom are not regular churchgoers and to hopefully give a positive impression of ministry in the church today that will assist them on their journey of faith.

I can be an important witness to the

faith in the busy world of work today. It can be very beneficial to have a Christian presence in large corporations. Although, I have not been called upon very often, at time of baptisms and bereavement in particular I have been called upon to provide support, advice and assistance.

As a Permanent Deacon, I act as a bridge between the world work and that of the church. I can be present in certain situations where a priest may not be there to assist and encourage people at significant times in their lives. I think that the right approach is to do what I can and to leave the rest to God's grace.

Jesus is telling us to focus on the values of his Kingdom and on living a good Christian life and that, in return, he will accompany us and he will care for us. In our First Reading today, the prophet Amos criticises people to "trample the poor". Speaking on the same theme in Mauritius last week, Pope Francis spoke about the exploitation of the poor, the environment and our natural resources: *"I want to encourage you not to yield to the temptation of an idolatrous economic model that feels the need to sacrifice human lives on the altar of speculation and profit alone, considering only immediate advantage to the detriment of protecting the poor, the environment and its resources."*

It is important to reflect on these comments and see how we can put them into practice in our own lives. Whether its by highlighting issues in the developing world or simply being more careful about recycling and using less plastic which is so damaging to our oceans.

Thomas Merton said: *"We all need enough silence and solitude in our lives to enable the deep inner voice of our true self to be heard at least occasionally."*

Let us pray that in the coming week we discern the right balance between the working and spiritual parts of our lives so that the gifts that God has given us may be of service to the church also to those we meet in the different circumstances in which we encounter them. We should, of course, engage with the world in various way but not become overly dominated by it to the expense of living out our faith in a positive way.

*Gerard Reilly - Permanent Deacon in Malahide and Portmarnock parishes*

### **Verdi's Requiem with Our Lady's Choral Society**

The magnificent Verdi Requiem featuring Our Lady's Choral Society with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra and wonderful soloists conducted by Proinsias Ó Duinn. This concert will be dedicated to the many families and friends of those who died from Covid-19 during the pandemic. Orla Boylan, soprano; Jennifer Johnston, alto; Andrew Gavin, tenor; Markus Suikonen, bass. National Concert Hall, 8pm, **Friday, October 21**. Visit [www.olcs.ie](http://www.olcs.ie).

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

Sat. 17th Sept.	7.00p.m.	Evelyn James – Month's Mind Kathleen Kelly – Birthday Remembrance Noel Kelly, Sean Moore – Anniversaries Mary Bowes – Anniversary
Sun 18th Sept.	10.30a.m.	Nuala Clarke – Anniversary Noel Gilmer – Anniversary Fr. Don Troy – Anniversary
	12.30p.m.	Charlie Cunningham – Birthday Remembrance Ellen Lawlor, William Lawlor – Anniversaries Michael Eccles, Kevin Moylan – Anniversaries Jim Ryan – Anniversary Owen & Nellie O'Reilly – Anniversaries
Mon 19th, Tues 20th, Wed 21st	9.15a.m.	Available for Intention
Thurs. 22nd Sept.	9.15a.m.	Annie & George O'Brien – Anniversaries Anne O'Donoghue – Anniversary
Fri 23rd Sept	9.15a.m.	Available for Intention
Sat 24th Sept	7.00p.m.	Hilda Byrne – Month's Mind Peter Ellis – 1st Anniversary Anna O'Reilly – 1st Anniversary David Donoghue, Richard Daly – Anniversaries
Sun 25th Sept	10.30a.m.	John Bourke – Month's Mind Elizabeth Power – Anniversary Thomas Power – Remembrance William Kerrigan – Anniversary
	12.30p.m.	Kathleen Reidy – Recently Deceased Helen Carroll – 1st Anniversary Bridget & Michael Foye – Anniversaries

### **Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball**

Sun 18th Sept	10.00a.m.	Kathleen & Martin Stapleton – Anniversaries Noreen & Pat McCarra – Anniversaries Ted Redmond – Anniversary
Wed 21st Sept.	10.00a.m.	Available for Intention
Sun 25th Sept	10.00a.m.	Thomas & Kate McGowan – Anniversaries Vincent, Bridie, Denis & Maureen Moloney -

**Our Lady of Mercy College Beaumont.**  
Open Night on Wednesday 28th September 2022  
7-9pm. All parents and students welcome.