

Month of November

During the month of November, we remember all those who have died in our community, our friends and loved ones all sharing in common that they died into the arms of our loving God. We pray knowing that you, Lord have carved their names on the palm of your hand.

Pilgrimage to Knock
Thursday, 8th December
Feast of the
Immaculate Conception
Coach from Holy Child
at 8a.m.



For more info and to book please
contact Marie McAllister
Tel: 086 3990998

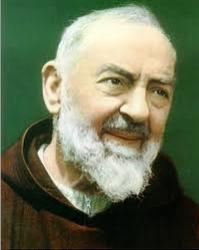
PARISH OF LARKHILL/WHITEHALL/SANTRY



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St. Padre Pio

The Padre Pio glove will be available for anyone who wishes to bless themselves after the 9.15a.m. Mass in the Church of the Holy Child

on Friday 25th November 2022.
For more info please contact
Anne Flanagan at 01 8375274



**PARISH
CAROL SERVICE**
Combined Parish
Choirs & Folk Group
directed by Kathryn Browne
Present

the first Carol Service since Covid
11th December 2022 at 7.30p.m.
in the Holy Child.
All Welcome

We welcome in Baptism:

Rian Tommy White

*May this newly baptised
child always know and love*



Phone found in Church of the Holy Child approx. two weeks ago. Please contact the Sacristan for details. 01 8375274

Recently Deceased:

We remember our friends and loved ones who have recently died in Christ.

Thomas Phelan
Leslie Brooks
Ronald Downey
Richard Treacy

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



Divine Mercy Prayer Group
The divine Mercy Prayer group meet every Tuesday at 7p.m. in the Holy Child Parish Centre. All welcome.

Mass of Remembrance
The annual November Mass of Remembrance will take place on Friday, 25th November at 7.00p.m. in the Church of the Holy Child. All are welcome



"It is vital that we gain a sense of where the Spirit is calling the Church."

20th November 2022

Today we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King which is the last Sunday in our Liturgical Year. Many of you will know the Church of Christ the King in Cabra which is dedicated to today's feast day. It was opened on 29th October 1933 by Archbishop Byrne costing the princely sum of £35,000. Outside the church, there is a striking statue of Christ the King which was sculpted in Trieste. It's a very grand statue which I am sure has made a strong impression on parishioners over the years.

The story of the Good Thief only appears in St Luke's Gospel. The power of God is shown in an unexpected way in the Crucifixion, not in a wonderful display of spectacular worldly dominance, but in Jesus sharing our own human weakness and vulnerabilities. It was only later, with the hindsight of the resurrection, that this poignant moment of helplessness can be seen as one in which the power of God was truly present. This can be the case for us as well

when it is only when we look back on difficult situations that we can see the Lord was truly present accompanying us in our challenges even though it may have been hard to recognise it at the time.

The Good Thief's request asks: "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom." He must have had his problems and struggles in life and was certainly in a tight corner at that particular moment, but the Good Thief's faith allowed him to request the reply from Jesus which is one that we would all like to hear ourselves as well when our time comes: "Indeed, I promise you today you will be with me in paradise."

The much loved and familiar Gospel scene shows us the power of God's forgiveness, love and mercy. The forgiveness of Jesus on the cross brought the embrace of God in heaven to the Good Thief hanging on the cross with him. And Jesus offers the same

invitation to each and every one of us as well.

In all four Gospels Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?” Jesus is indeed a King in this story but, from a human point of view, is a very unusual King. He rules from the cross and his gifts to us are forgiveness, mercy and eternal life. The crown that Christ wears is a crown of thorns. In Luke 17:21 “Jesus tells us that” *The kingdom of God is among you*”. This reminds us that Jesus continues to accompany us as community of faith as they travel on our journey of life.



As we reach the end of our liturgical year, it’s a good time to take stock. Speaking on the Feast of Saint Laurence O’Toole last Monday, Archbishop Dermot Farrell said:

“The renewal that began with the Second Vatican Council now enters a new phase: the whole church – all the baptised – are called to come to grips with what the Spirit is saying to the whole Church, and not just those involved in ministry and leadership. The expansion of the Synod (which take place in Rome in 2023 and 2024) makes the Synodal Pathway resemble a council more than a synod, a kind of Vatican III which will attempt to put flesh on the bones of the Vatican Council’s understanding of the church as People of God”.

The Archbishop added: *“It is important that we understand what is happening. It is vital that we gain a sense of where the Spirit is calling the Church”.* It’s a good time to reflect on these words and how they resonate with us as we journey towards the Season of Advent which begins next week. This will give us a good opportunity for a bit of quiet time with a piece of scripture such as the Gospel from Sunday mass or a reading from a favourite spiritual writer. We might be able to attend daily mass in person or online as our circumstances permit. Or consider a donation to a charity such as the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. These simple suggestions may help us to celebrate Christmas in a more worth manner as we honour Christ the King.

Gerard Reilly - Permanent Deacon in Malahide and Portmarnock parishes

Mass Intentions for the coming week Church of the Holy Child

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| Sat 19th Nov | 7.00p.m. | Anne Rocca – Anniversary Christine Rossiter – Anniversary Sr. Theresa O’Sullivan – Diamond Jubilee Sean Maher – Anniversary Sean Cantwell – Anniversary |
| Sun 20th Nov | 10.30a.m. | Marie Drumgoole – Recently Deceased Patrick Redmond, Eileen Long – Anniversaries |
| | 12.30p.m. | John & Rose Fallon – Anniversaries Raymond Maguire – Anniversary Jack & Annie Morrissey – Anniversaries |
| Mon 21st Nov | 9.15a.m. | Available for Intention |
| Tues 22nd Nov | 9.15a.m. | Donal O’Donoghue – Anniversary Michael O’Prey – 80th Birthday Remembrance |
| Wed 23rd Nov | 9.15a.m. | Available for Intention |
| Thurs 24th Nov | 9.15a.m. | Available for Intention |
| Fri 25th Nov | 9.15a.m. | Available for Intention |
| | 7.00p.m. | November Mass of Remembrance |
| Sat 26th Nov | 7.00p.m. | Mary Graham – 1st Anniversary Bernard Allen – 1st Anniversary |
| Sun 27th Nov | 10.30a.m. | Mary McDermott, Jim & Bill Smith – Anniversaries Robert Power – Birthday Remembrance Joe & Eileen O’Connor – Anniversaries |
| | 12.30p.m. | Mary & Michael Myler – Anniversaries Dermot Brangan – Anniversary |
| | | <u>Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball</u> |
| Sun 20th Nov | 10.00a.m. | Gerry Moloney – 1st Anniversary Andrew Myler – 1st Anniversary Jack & Jean Reilly – Anniversaries William & Bridget Knowles – Anniversaries Carol McMahan – Anniversary |
| Wed 23rd Nov | 10.00a.m. | Available for Intention |
| Sun 27th Nov | 10.00a.m. | Michael Campelli – Anniversary |

‘Unless a grain of wheat falls and dies in the ground it remains alone ...’ (John 12:24)

This scripture quote inspires this year’s service – Monday 21st November at 8.00 pm in the Monastery of Saint Alphonsus, Drumcondra. The first diocesan remembrance service took place in 1987 and afforded an opportunity to remember the dead in prayer and music while offering a varied repertoire that could be modelled in parishes. Since then, this annual event offers a combination of scripture, prayer and music to give comfort and hope to those who are bereaved. It also helps Funeral Ministry Teams in their journey of accompaniment with families by nourishing them in their mission. While the Dublin Diocesan Music Group play an important part in the service, the focus is on prayer and reflection. Join us at the Monastery or online webcam www.rednuns.com