

Baldoyle Parish Newsletter

5th Sunday of Lent

17th March 2024

Reflection: "Jesus came not to condemn, but to save the world. Think of us, who very often condemn others; many times, we like to speak badly, to go in search of gossip against others. Let us ask the Lord to give us, all of us, this merciful gaze, to look at others as He looks at us."

Pope Francis

Please take the newsletter home with you

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Gospel Reflection: Jn 12: 20- 30 17th March

A Covenant of the Heart

In this passage, God is making a new covenant with his people. This new covenant is not like the old one that was made with their ancestors. which they broke. This new covenant is a covenant that will be written on their hearts. This new covenant is a promise of forgiveness and love. God is saying that he will remember their sins no more. This is a powerful promise because it means that God will not hold our sins against us. He will not keep a record of our wrongdoings. Instead, he will forgive us and love us. This is a promise that should bring great comfort to all who hear it.

The idea of a covenant written on the heart is also significant. It means that this covenant is not just an external agreement or contract, but it is something that is internalised and personalised. It becomes a part of who we are. When we accept this covenant, it changes us from the inside out. It transforms our hearts and our lives.

The new covenant is not just a promise of forgiveness and love, but it is also a promise of a new relationship with God. It is a promise of intimacy and closeness with him. When we accept this covenant, we become his people, and he becomes our God. We are no longer estranged from him, but we are brought near to him.

In the gospel Jesus is also telling his followers that following him requires sacrifice. His death and resurrection brought salvation to all who believe in him. And his life and teachings continue to inspire and transform countless lives. Through our own sacrifices, we too can bear much fruit and bring glory to God. It may involve forgiving someone who has hurt us. It may involve putting the needs of others before our own. Whatever form our sacrifice takes, we can be assured that it will bear fruit. It will bring glory to God and help to build his kingdom on earth

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Lá Fhéile Pádraig St. Patrick's Day **Sunday 17th March**

May the faith of our Patron Saint continue to burn brightly in our hearts. Let us remember our Irish diaspora scattered around the world today.



WAY of the CROSS **Good Friday** 29th March Starting at 12.30pm at the Wellington Monument, Phoenix Park. The procession will proceed from the Wellington Monument to the Papal Cross. **Led by the Most Reverend Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin**

Irish Synodal Pathway

The Irish Synodal Pathway continues to evolve and has made significant progress in advancing its ambition to hold its first synodal assembly in the Autumn of 2025. Regional meetings held in January assisted dioceses and groups in the formation of Diocesan Synodal Teams for the pathway and provided resources for the ongoing work at local level, including a video resource outlining the journey so far (https://synod.ie/resources/videos/). Further regional meetings, scheduled for late April with the Diocesan Synodal Teams, will also initiate discussions on the theme/question for the first assembly of the Irish Synodal Pathway.

Baldoyle Parish Lotto

Sunday 10th March

Jackpot €2,000

Numbers Drawn: 6, 11, 22

No Winner:

Sunday 17th March
JACKPOT

€2,100

Return completed envelopes to the safe at rear of church

Thank you for your support.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend will be held in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare, from Friday, April 26, to Sunday, April 28. Register online at www.marriageencounter.ie. Good marriages can always be made better!

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, call 1800 807077 or visit website for information www.hospicefoundation.ie

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 07th
April 2024. €799.00 pps. Price includes 5 nights' in 4*
Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed &
Breakfast. Lunch/Snack on 2 days. Afternoon Tea at
Ashford Castle. All entertainment, excursions and
transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City,
Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Cong. Single
supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia on 094
9006426 or 087 1890 236 or email
knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

The Lounge Lizards will perform in Baldoyle Library on Saturday March 23rd from 3pm – 4.30pm. Sing a song, play a tune or just come to listen! All are welcome.

Mass Intentions for week commencing: 17th March

Church of SS Peter & Paul

Sunday: 10.00am (R/D) Jean Crowley, Margaret Roe

(A) Caitlin & Tomas O'Baoill

Tuesday: 10.00am (R/D) Paddy White, Christy Taylor

Thursday: 10.00am Prayer Service

Church of St. Laurence O'Toole

Sat. Vigil: 7.00pm (A) Mick & Mai Ryan, Kitty Costello

(R/D) Brid Brody, Paddy White,

Mark Molloy

Sunday: 11.30am (A) Kevin Donnery, Patrick Hanratty

(R/D) Austin Murray

Monday: 10.00am Prayer Service

Wednesday:10.00am Pray for the Holy Souls and

Our Lord in Gethsemane.

(R/D) Kathleen Gallagher, Ann Bernard

(A) Anniversary, (R/D) Recently Deceased, (M/M) Month's Mind, (B/R) Birthday Remembrance, (Rem) Remembrance.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Member(s) of our community who died recently:-

ANN BERNARD; BR. MICHAEL O'BRIEN; BARTHOLOMEW (BART) FITZPATRICK

Anniversaries: - Bernard Byrne

Birthday Remembrance: Billy Clarke

St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth

Applications are open at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth, for our Master's in Liturgical Music and Diploma in Church Music. Visit sppu.ie/courses or call 01 708 4778 for more information.

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