

Baldoyle Parish Newsletter

2nd Sunday of Easter

7th April 2024

Reflection: "Today throughout the world there resounds the message proclaimed two thousand years ago from Jerusalem: "Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has been raised!" *Urbi et Orbi Easter 2024*

Please take the newsletter home with you

Gospel Reflection: Jn 20:19-31

7th April

A Sent-out People

We often read today's gospel reading and focus on Thomas, the doubting disciple who needed to put his finger in the marks of the nails before he would believe. But this story is really about all of those fear-filled disciples, trembling behind that locked door and wondering what it all means. This story is really about each and every one of us; trying to live a life worthy of our Lord and Saviour; struggling with doubt, weighed down with fear and constantly falling short of what we know he expects from us.

And this story is also about how Jesus comes to us, in the midst of our doubts, fears, sin and guilt, to offer each and every one of us that simple word of grace and mercy and forgiveness. 'Peace be with you,' says our risen Lord to us all. This gospel reading is really about the peace which surpasses all understanding; the peace that can only come from our crucified and risen Lord; and the peace that comes when we most need it.

Think back to a time in your life when you feel as though you have truly disappointed God. And now, imagine Jesus showing up at that very moment and saying to you: 'Peace be with you.' That is what our Lord does for each and every one of us. That too is what the miracle of Easter means for us.

But today's gospel reading is also about the ways in which we are called to share that peace and that joy with a world so filled with doubt and fear. Jesus did not join his disciples in the upper room simply to celebrate his resurrection with them. He also joined them there to give them the gift of the Holy Spirit and to send them to the world to continue his mission. We are the sent-out people of God, with a mission that comes straight from our crucified and risen Messiah. Baldoyle Community Hall Baldoyle Bay Biosphere Festival -27th April- 10am-3pm Baldoyle Bay is a site of International Importance with EU

protections and UNESCO status. Baldoyle Bay, Dublin Bay Biosphere and Biodiversity are under threat from pollution and climate change. This festival is a celebration of what we have and how we can protect it for future generations. We have a fantastic lineup of speakers, fun activities and great food. For information call 018395338 www.baldoyleforum.ie

Baldoyle Community Hall will be part of this year's Fingal Proms.

Sunday May 5th, 7pm Doors - Show 7.30pm We are hosting World renowned artists. Paul Bryom is joined for this "Broadway & Beyond" spectacular by the renowned soprano Leah Barniville, accompanied by a band of top class musicians. Info on www.eventsinfingal.ie

Baldoyle Library Events April 2024

<u>Children's Events</u> Children's Movie Screening WONKA Thurs 4th 3pm – 4:30pm no booking required, Children's Mythology Workshop Wed.10th 15:30pm - 17:00pm. Suitable for ages 8 -12. Booking Required Children's Sensory Stem Workshop Mon. 15th 15:00 - 16:00. Suitable for ages 4-6 years. Booking Required. Spring into Storytime Thurs.18th 5:30 –6:30pm Sensory Music Workshop Sat.20th 10:30-11:30am. Suitable for ages 0-5 Booking Required. Junior Spring Crafts Wed. 24th 15:15 - 16:15pm. Suitable for ages 5-10. Booking Required. Sensory Time in the Library Thurs. 11th 10:30 =11.30 Wed.17th 2pm – 3pm. All are welcome.

Adult Events

Adult Movie Evening Moonstruck Mon. 8th 5.30pm <u>Adult Crafts</u> Cross Stitch Mon 15th 10.30am -12.30pm Macramé Mon 29th 10.30am – 12.30pm Lounge Lizards playing on Sat 6th & 20th from 3pm. Chess for Adults Thurs 6.30pm. All levels welcome Baldoyle Mens Shed Meet in Library Tues at 10.30am <u>Exhibitions:</u>

The Library of Migrant Women art project. Naomh Barróg Photo Society Photography exhibition

James Laurence Mypastoralponderings.com Intercom

Baldoyle Parish Lotto

Sunday 31st March

Jackpot €2,300

Numbers Drawn: 6, 14, 20

No Winner:

Sunday 7th April JACKPOT

€2,400

Return completed envelopes to the safe at rear of church Thank you for your support.

> ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH DOOR COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND 6th/7th April

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT!

EASTER DUES 2024

Envelopes have been distributed throughout the parish. Completed envelopes can be placed in the safe at the back of each church or posted through the letterbox of the Parish Office.

The Archdiocese of Dublin thanks you for your continued support.

Baldoyle Parish Team

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> Newsletter: Items for inclusion to: baldoyleparishnews@gmail.com

Mass Intentions for week commencing: 7th April

Church of SS Peter & Paul

Sunday: 10.00am(R/D) Derek Mulqueen, PJ Meere,
Michael CampionTuesday: 10.00am(R/D) Sean O'Brien, Eileen Diggins
(A) Sean O'ReillyThursday: 10.00amPrayer Service

Church of St. Laurence O'Toole

Sat. Vigil: 7.00pm (A) Thomas Smyth (1st), Angela Millar (R/D) Maureen O'Connor, Jamie O'Farrell, Ann Mooney Sunday: 11.30am (A) Hugh McGinn, Paddy Kelly

(R/D) Ann Walsh, Marie Lang

Monday: 10.00am (R/D) Ann Bernard, Ella O'Neill. Special Intentions

Wednesday:10.00am Altar List of the Dead

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

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Anniversaries:- John Chambers

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday, April 27.

The idea of going on pilgrimage goes back hundreds of years in the Church. In the Middle Ages, crusaders went to Jerusalem to try to liberate the Holy City. One of the good things about a pilgrimage is that it gives us an opportunity to step out of our daily lives and try to gain some fresh perspectives on the challenges that we face and to try to learn a bit more about ourselves. It's also a good opportunity to reflect on our faults and failings, as we all have them, and to ask Our Lady to pray to her son Jesus to help us to overcome them.

Information on knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie.

THANK YOU

A Special "Thank You" to all who prepared and participated in the Easter Ceremonies, especially those who cleaned both Churches and the flower groups who decorated them so beautifully.

The Flower Groups of SS' Peter & Paul Church and the Church of St Laurence O'Toole would like to thank all who contributed to the flowers for Easter.