



DONNYBROOK PARISH
CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
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Church Notices

Saturday 16th / Sunday 17th July 2016

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST COLLECTION is for the support of priests of this parish, shared with the priests of the Diocese through the Common Fund. The **SECOND COLLECTION** is for SHARE, the diocesan fund for development, the provision of central pastoral and administrative services.

NEW PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE The plans are on display in the old Mortuary Chapel and the corridor of the Parish Centre for your information. There is a box for written comments and suggestions on a table in the old Mortuary Chapel before we submit for planning permission. A reminder, the deadline for any feedback is this Monday (18th July), many thanks!

DONNYBROOK ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION Outing to Clongowes this Tuesday (19th July) – Guide - Fr Conor Harper SJ. Departing from Parish Centre at 11am Sharp.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND – PAX CHRISTI IRELAND

Your generous support is requested for the work of Pax Christi Ireland. Pax Christi was born out of the ashes of World War II and this year it is celebrating 70 years of its work for peace and justice and resolution of conflicts through non-violent means, and reconciliation witnessing the peace of Christ. It has worked internationally to ban inhumane weapons like landmines, cluster bombs, blinding laser weapons and continues to work on wide ranging areas of peace and justice. It has consultative status with the United Nations and the Council of Europe. It is the recipient of UN Peace Messenger award and UNESCO peace award.

LOUGH DERG 2016: Three Day Pilgrimage on any day up to and including Saturday 13th August are now available. Advance booking is not necessary. There are various travel options available countrywide. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Phone Maureen or Lorraine on 071 9861518 Or Email: info@loughderg.org - www.loughderg.org

AWARE (Volunteers Opportunities) Aware, the National Organisation providing support and information to individuals and families impacted by depression and bipolar disorder is now recruiting new volunteers to train on a number of services. See aware.ie for specific info and requirements for all volunteering opportunities including the Aware Support Line (phone) & Support Groups (face-to-face). Minimum commitment is 18 months. Help Aware continue to be a supporting light through depression. www.aware.ie - AWARE meetings take place here in the Parish Centre on Thursdays at 7:30pm for those who are in need of support.

FEASTS THIS WEEK:

- St Mary Magdalene (Fri, 22nd)
- St Bridget of Sweden, religious, patron of Europe (Sat, 23rd)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: *The victims of the Bastille Day Atrocities in Nice last Thursday (see overleaf..)*
Recently Deceased: Brigid (Bibby) Mulholland RIP

- 6:00pm Vigil: Jack and Winnie Delany (Anniversaries)
- 9:00am: Richard Whitty (Anniversary)
- 10:30am: Peter Molloy (Anniversary)
- 12:00pm: Anne McDonald (Anniversary)
- 5:30pm: Maureen (10th Anniversary) and Nick Dunne (Anniversary)

Also: Patrick O'Sullivan, Richard Clarke, Dolores Slattery and Mary Christine O'Connor (Anniversaries)

Prayer for Nice

We pray in heartfelt solidarity with the people of Nice.

We pray for those who died, those who are injured, the traumatised and all their families.

We pray that though we are deeply disconcerted by such acts of merciless violence – no matter how near or how distant from us – we may not give in to discouragement, but fix our hearts on always doing what is right and just.

We pray for civic authorities everywhere, especially those involved in peace-keeping.

May we work together with all women and men of good will to protect the dignity of every human being.

DEFEND DEMOCRACY BY STRENGTHENING DEMOCRACY

Comment of Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

“The terrorist attack in Nice has been well described as an attack on democracy and the values that underpin democracy.

I join with people of all faiths and walks of life in condemning such attacks and expressing prayers for those who died and for those who mourn and for the people of France.

Right across the world innocent men, women and children are increasingly falling victim to the violence of terrorism. We cannot overlook any such attempt anywhere, just because it takes place in distant lands. All terrorist endeavours attack the fundamental basis of our democratic co-existence. There is only one way to fight attacks on democracy and that is to reinforce democracy and uncompromisingly affirm our commitment to democracy.

Democracy involves respect for rights and values of each person and for the rule of law. Where the quality of democracy is weakened, the door is opened to those who use their own ideology or power to render us all weaker and less protected.

I am speaking about those who provoke terrorism through political or religious ideology. It applies also, however, to those who use violence on our streets to advance the filthy interests of the drug trade. It applies to governments which allow demagoguery or corruption to flourish unchecked. It applies also to unprincipled compromise in international relationships.

Democracy is not just about voting in elections. It is about participation and respect for difference and the rights of all people and peoples. It is about scrupulous attention to exclusion and investing in education which allows future generations truly to feel part of the society in which they live.

The message of Jesus Christ is a message of justice but not vengeance. It is above all a commitment to allow love to embrace those who are marginalised. My prayer is that those who have died in the Nice attack will experience a loving encounter with the Lord, and that those who mourn will encounter the loving of those around them and that love might even change the hatred that has twisted the hearts of those who foster violence.”