



DONNYBROOK PARISH
CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
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Church Notices

Saturday 10th / Sunday 11th September 2016

TWENTY-FOURTH 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.

CROSSCARE The Annual Collection for **CROSSCARE** (the Diocesan Social Care Agency) will replace **SHARE** next weekend (17th/18th September).

DONNYBROOK ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (D.A.R.A.) Art classes will resume this Monday 12th September at 10:30am in the Parish Centre. New members are welcome!

D.A.R.A.: Autumn Programme of Events will commence on Tuesday 13th September with a talk by Dan Maloney on '20 Years Teaching Peig' in the Parish Centre at 2:30pm – refreshments will be served afterwards. New members welcome!

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Volunteers required! Become a volunteer today and help make a difference. SVP Listen and Support those in the Community. If you would like to volunteer for a few hours per week please Contact SVP directly on 01 8198415.

BLACKROCK HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING: Thursday 15th September at 10:30am – Blackrock Hospice – special guest of honour will be Aine Lawlor from RTE. All funds raised will go toward supporting our vital palliative care services right in the heart of the community. All welcome!

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Last weekend your contributions amounted to €5,275.00. *Many thanks for your support!*

PARISH SHOP 150th Anniversary Booklets are still available in the Parish Shop - €5 along with 150th candles and beautiful postcards of our Church. Also available in the Shop this weekend is the Irish Catholic Newspaper with featured article from our 150th Celebrations!

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: This weekend for **THRESHOLD**, a national housing charity.

FEASTS THIS WEEK:

- St Ailbe, bishop (*Mon, 12th*)
- St John Chrysostom, bishop and Doctor of the Church (*Tues, 13th*)
- THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (*Wed, 14th*)
- Our Lady of Sorrows (*Thurs, 15th*)
- Ss Cornelius, pope, and Cyprian, bishop, martyrs (*Fri, 16th*)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Recently Deceased: Ellen Harmon, Peter Conlon, Marie Mungovan, John Larchet and George Robert Barr RIP

- 6:00pm Vigil: George and Mary Kelly (*Anniversaries*)
- 9:00am: Elizabeth Mary Hackett (*Anniversary*)
- 10:30am: Molly Wood (*Anniversary*)
- 12:00pm: James and Ellen Fennelly (*Anniversaries*)
- 5:30pm: Dr Jack Molony (*Anniversary*)

Also: Peter and Betty Jordan, Eva Kenny, Lil O'Leary, Gerry McNamara, Elizabeth and Robert Leggett, Mai and Francis Carr (*Anniversaries*) and Michael O'Flanagan (*1st Anniversary*).

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CHAPTER FOUR

LOVE IN MARRIAGE

LOVE BEARS ALL THINGS

- 112.** First, Paul says that love “bears all things” (panta stegei). This is about more than simply putting up with evil; it has to do with the use of the tongue. The verb can mean “holding one’s peace” about what may be wrong with another person. It implies limiting judgment, checking the impulse to issue a firm and ruthless condemnation: “Judge not and you will not be judged” (LK 6:37). Although it runs contrary to the way we normally use our tongues, God’s word tells us: “Do not speak evil against one another, brothers and sisters” (Jas 4:11). Being willing to speak ill of another person is a way of asserting ourselves, venting resentment and envy without concern for the harm we may do. We often forget that slander can be quite sinful; it is a grave offense against God when it seriously harms another person’s good name and causes damage that is hard to repair. Hence God’s word forthrightly states that the tongue “is a world of iniquity” that “stains the whole body” (Jas 3:6); it is a “restless evil, full of deadly poison” (3:8). Whereas the tongue can be used to “curse those who are made in the likeness of God” (3:9), love cherishes the good name of others, even one’s enemies. In seeking to uphold God’s law we must never forget this specific requirement of love.
- 113.** Married couples joined by love speak well of each other; they try to show their spouse’s good side, not their weakness and faults. In any event, they keep silent rather than speak ill of them. This is not merely a way of acting in front of others; it springs from an interior attitude. Far from ingenuously claiming not to see the problems and weaknesses of others, it sees those weaknesses and faults in a wider context. It recognizes that these failings are a part of a bigger picture. We have to realize that all of us are a complex mixture of light and shadows. The other person is much more than the sum of the little things that annoy me. Love does not have to be perfect for us to value it. The other person loves me as best they can, with all their limits, but the fact that love is imperfect does not mean that it is untrue or unreal. It is real, albeit limited and earthly. If I expect too much, the other person will let me know, for he or she can neither play God nor serve all my needs. Love coexists with imperfection. It “bears all things” and can hold its peace before the limitations of the love one.