



**DONNYBROOK PARISH**  
CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART  
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# Church Notices

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>/ Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016**

## **THIRTIETH 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.

**SECOND COLLECTION - MISSION SUNDAY 2015** The Annual Collection for the *Pontifical Mission Societies* will replace the *SHARE* collection this weekend. The theme for Mission Sunday this year is: "Every Christian is a Missionary of Mercy." Pope Francis says: "We need Christians who make God's mercy and tenderness to every creature visible to people today."

**PARISH OFFICE** The Parish Office will be closed this Thursday (27<sup>th</sup> October) due to staff training taking place, organised by the Archdiocese. Our Sacristan (Tony) will be available after the 10am Mass on Thursday for parishioners requesting Mass bookings.

**NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DEAD** During the month of November we are encouraged to remember the communion of Saints and to pray for the dead. The Parish Altar Lists of the Dead are prayed for at all Masses offered on All Souls Day and the first Friday of every month. Lists and envelopes are available at Church doors from this weekend.

**DONNYBROOK TIDY TOWNS** in association with Dublin City Council will be holding their annual "Souls of Donnybrook" event in the Village at the Plaza (car park opposite KIELYS) on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October @ 6:30pm. See poster for more information on main notice board.

**NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE MASS** The November Mass for all our deceased parishioners, relatives and friends who died during the past year will take place at **6:00pm on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November**.

**OCTOBER BANK HOLIDAY DUBLIN MARATHON** This year the Dublin Marathon will take place on **SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER** and the route will come down Foster Ave onto *Stillorgan Road, Nutley Lane and Merrion Road*. **The N11 remains open in both directions** – please see the Route Timetable on notice boards.

**YOUTH MINISTRY** Mauricio Cruz Mantoani will speak at all Masses this weekend.

### **FEAST THIS WEEK:**

- Ss Simon and Jude, apostles (*Fri, 28<sup>th</sup>*)

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:** *Recently Deceased: Ed McGeough RIP*

- 6:00pm Vigil: McDaid Family (*Anniversaries*)
- 9:00am: Special Intention
- 10:30am: John McArdle (*Anniversary*)
- 12:00pm: Fr Martin Clarke (*3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary*) and James Kevin MacGoris (*Anniversary*)
- 5:30pm: Michael Lynch (*Anniversary*)

**Also:** Bosco Carroll, Margaret Browne, Dr Beatrice O'Connor, Tony and Martin Gleeson, Eileen and Seamus O'Morain, Pauline Whelan, Allen Peterson, Joan O'Donnell, Micheál and Nell Devane (*Anniversaries*)



## CHAPTER FIVE

### LOVE AND PREGNANCY

- 168. Pregnancy is a difficult but wonderful time. A mother joins with God to bring forth the miracle or a new life. Motherhood is the fruit of a “particular creative potential of the female body, directed to the conception and birth of new human being”.<sup>183</sup> Each woman shares in “the mystery of creation, which is renewed with each birth”.<sup>184</sup> The Psalmist says: “You knit me together in my mother’s womb” (*Ps* 139:13). Every child growing within the mother’s womb is part of the eternal loving plan of God the Father: “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you” (*Jer* 1:5). Each child has a place in God’s heart from all eternity; once he or she is conceived, the Creator’s eternal dream comes true. Let us pause to think of the great value of that embryo from the moment of conception. We need to see it with the eyes of God, who always looks beyond mere appearances.**
- 169. A pregnant woman can participate in God’s plan by dreaming of her child. “For nine months every mother and father dreams about their child... You can’t have a family without dreams. Once a family loses the ability to dream, children do not grow, love does not grow, life shrivels up and dies”.<sup>185</sup> For Christian married couples, baptism necessarily appears as a part of that dream. With their prayers, parents prepare for baptism, entrusting their baby to Jesus even before he or she is born.**

<sup>183</sup> JOHN PAUL II, Catechesis (12 March 1980), 3; Insegnamenti III/1 (1980), 543

<sup>184</sup> Ibid.

<sup>185</sup> Address at the Meeting with Families in Manila (16 January 2015), 176