



Church Notices

Saturday 11th / Sunday 12th March 2017
&
St Patrick's Day 17th March

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

ST PATRICK'S DAY **Mass Times:** Thursday 16th March – 6pm Vigil Mass
Friday 17th March – 9:00am, 10:30am and 12noon
There is no Evening Mass on Friday 17th March

The Donnybrook Scouts will be attending the 9am Mass and will be holding their Annual Cake Sale in the Parish Centre 9am – 12noon. All welcome, please come along!

DONNYBROOK TIDY TOWNS will be holding a Public Information Evening this Monday 13th March in Bective RFC @ 7:30. All welcome. Please come along and hear their plans for the Village for 2017.

DONNYBROOK ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION 'The Importance of Being Oscar' performed by Michael Judd. A one man show devised by Michael MacLiamoir revealing the wit, triumph and tragedy of Oscar Wilde will take place this Tuesday (14th March) in the Parish Centre at 2:30pm. New members welcome!

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: this weekend is for students from St Michaels College travelling to Brazil early April to help make eco-bricks that will go into the construction of a retreat and arts centre for kids involved in drugs and gangland crime in Sao Paulo (100% of the collection to the Spiritan Missions) Please support. Last weekend Gonzaga College Zambia project received just over €2,000 in contributions, many thanks!

PARISH SHOP New material in for Lent and Easter, come along before or after Mass.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST New Rosters are available in the Sacristy this weekend.

FEAST THIS WEEK: ST PATRICK, BISHOP, PRINCIPAL PATRON OF IRELAND (Fri, 17th)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Ann Carton, Peter Murray and Sean Kennedy RIP

- 6:00pm Vigil: James and Mary Corcoran (Anniversaries)
- 9:00am: Alice Finlay (Anniversary)
- 10:30am: Eamon Davis (Anniversary)
- 12:00pm: Edward Dennis (Anniversary)
- 5:30pm: Jose Ortiz (Recently Deceased)

Also: Billy O'Brien, George Giurgea, Christy Coffey, Brian Mathews, Kitty Maher and Katherine Fay (Anniversaries)



ACCOMPANYING THE FIRST YEARS OF MARRIED LIFE

Accompaniment after breakdown and divorce

243. It is important that the divorced who have entered a new union should be made to feel part of the Church. “They are not excommunicated” and they should not be treated as such, since they remain part of the ecclesial community. ²⁶¹These situations “require careful discernment and respectful accompaniment. Language or conduct that might lead them to feel discriminated against should be avoided, and they should be encouraged to participate in the life of the community. The Christina community’s care of such persons is not to be considered a weakening of its faith and testimony to the indissolubility of marriage; rather, such care is a particular expression of its charity”. ²⁶²
245. The Synod Fathers also pointed to “the consequences of separation or divorce on children, in every case the innocent victims of the situation”. ²⁶⁷Apart from every other consideration, the good of children should be the primary concern, and not overshadowed by any ulterior interest or objective. I make this appeal to parents who are separated: “Never ever, take your child hostage! You separated for many problems and reasons. Life gave you this trial, but your children should not have to bear the burden of this separation or be used as hostages against the other spouse. They should grow up hearing their mother speak well of their father, even though they are not together, and their father speak well of their mother”. ²⁶⁸It is irresponsible to disparage the other parent as a means of winning a child’s affection, or out of revenge or self-justification. Doing so will affect the child’s interior tranquility and cause wounds hard to heal.

²⁶¹ Catechesis (5 August 2015): L’Osservatore Romano, 6 August 2015, p. 7.

²⁶² Relatio Synodi 2014, 51; cf. Relatio Finalis 2015, 84

²⁶⁷ Relatio Synodi 2014, 47.

²⁶⁸ Catechesis (20 May 2015): UOsservatore Romano, 21 May 2015, p. 8.