

# Newsletter

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART  
DONNYBROOK



## LOOP SOUND SYSTEM – CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



An Induction Loop System has been installed in the Church of the Sacred Heart in recent weeks. A number of parishioners made representations to the Pastoral Council that such a system would greatly benefit those with hearing impairment.

Hearing aids should be switched to 'T' to benefit from the system. To provide the best coverage it was in fact necessary to install two loop systems and two transmitters, one to drive the loop system in the nave and one to drive the loop system in the transepts. Parishioners who use hearing aids with the T function have been most appreciative of the clarity of the sound.

The loop system works via the microphone which is connected to an amplifier and sends a current around a loop of insulated wire in the nave and transepts. A hearing aid with a T switch can pick up the signal from the loop and convert it back into sound.

The work was carried out by Mr James Walsh who also provided a system for the National Concert Hall.

The cost of the electrical work was €2,156 and the cost of the two Audio Frequency Induction Loop Amplifiers amounted to €3,725 giving a grand total for the project of €5,881. Again donations, however small, towards the cost will be gratefully received.

*Fr. Pat Carroll, PP*

## BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

The Parish Pastoral Council received many requests from parishioners for the Adoration Chapel to be redecorated as a matter of urgency. That work was carried out during the month of August. Due to the height it was necessary to hire an elevated platform which are costly to hire.

The painting cost €3,885 and the carpet €2,275 giving a total of €6,160. A parishioner has kindly offered to pay for the carpet and a further generous donation of €500 has been provided by a parishioner towards the painting. Again all further donations will be gratefully received.

*Fr. Pat Carroll, PP*

## PARISH RADIO

A system has recently been installed in the Church of the Sacred Heart which will enable parishioners who cannot be present at Mass through illness or infirmity to listen to the Mass on a special handset. The transmitter has a limited range to comply with the regulatory authority. The special handsets are available from the parish office (Tel. 01-269 3926, 10:30am – 2:30pm Mon-Fri) at a cost of €30 each and can easily be tuned to receive Church Services in Donnybrook. The overall cost of the installation to the parish was €3,406 and donations, however small, towards this cost will be gratefully received.

*Fr. Pat Carroll, PP*

## DONNYBROOK NEIGHBOURS

I would like to tell you about neighbourhood visitation in Donnybrook Parish.

Currently there are groups active in various forms of home visitation and are doing wonderful work. However during our pastoral council sub group work we became aware that some members of our parish would appreciate a visit from a friendly neighbour now and then.

As a result we have just launched a new visitation group in the parish called "Donnybrook Neighbours".

The purpose of Donnybrook Neighbours is to offer contact to people who would like someone to call and have a chat. In this very fast moving modern world we want to make sure that people, in particular those who are housebound, are not forgotten about and are still very much a part of our community.

This service, which is absolutely free, is available to any parishioner and if you know of anyone who would benefit from our activity then please let them know about us.

Initial contact should be made through the parish community centre at the rear of the church or by telephoning (01) 269 5049.

Finally, I would appeal to all of you to increase your own communication with your neighbours in order to increase community feeling within Donnybrook. Just let people know that you are there if they need you.

Remember the words of St. Francis of Assisi "that it is in giving that we receive". Thank you for taking the time to read this.

*Tony MacDonald*

*Donnybrook Parish Pastoral Council*

## THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland wishes to thank all those who contributed so generously to the National Tea Day, always an important event in the Society calendar, and for their support throughout the year. It is greatly appreciated and is a great source of encouragement for those with Alzheimer's Disease, their carers and everyone engaged in the work of the Society.

The Society wishes to express its thanks to the priests of the parish of The Sacred Heart Donnybrook, Father Pat Carroll, Father Declan Gallagher and Monsignor Richard Sherry, for their unfailing help and support.

*Dr. Niall Tierney*

*Director Alzheimer Society of Ireland*

## LOURDES 150TH ANNIVERSARY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE



The Parish of Donnybrook was well represented on the recent Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes September 7th to 12th with many parishioners participating both as pilgrims & helpers with the section for the sick. It was great to see a number of our young parishioners returning again to Lourdes to assist the sick.

*Fr. Pat Carroll, PP*

## FR LOUIS O'SULLIVAN

Fr. Louis was a greatly loved curate in Donnybrook from 1975 until 1986. He was renowned for his visitation to the parishioners. He retired due to ill health to Our Lady's Manor in Dalkey in June 2005 where he died after a very long illness. His funeral Mass was celebrated in Milltown on Wednesday 1 October. A number of our parishioners were a great support and comfort to Fr. Louis during his illness and we thank them for their care and support.

## DONNYBROOK ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

Parish Centre, Donnybrook, Dublin 4.



*Wisdom*

PROGRAMME:  
SEPTEMBER TO  
DECEMBER  
2008

Fri 10th - Sun 12th Oct: 'Over 50s Show' in the R.D.S. Tickets available.

Tues 14th Oct: 'Exercises To Music', with Maud White

Tues 28th Oct: Hallowe'en Party.

Tues 11th Nov: Illustrated Talk On 'Alternative Medicine Today' by Dr. Patrick Greene.

Sat 22nd Nov: "Iolanthe" by the R.&R. in the Concert Hall. Tickets €25 available from: 6683244.

Tues 25 Nov: "Fish For Healthy Eating" Demonstration by Phena O' Boyle

Tues 9th Dec: Demonstration of Flowers for Christmas.

Tues 16th Dec: Christmas Lunch, Montrose Hotel at 12.30pm.

All meetings at 2.30 pm in the Parish Centre.

Art classes resumed: 10.30-12.30

Mon 29th Sept, 2.30-4.30 Wed 1st

Oct. Term fee of €10 must be paid on enrolment. Enquiries to: 269 2964

## LORETO PAST PUPILS UNION CAKE SALE

On Sunday 26th October from 9.30 am in the Parish Centre.

## PARISH CENTRE: NEW KITCHEN

The Parish Pastoral Council established a sub committee to review the Parish Centre and to make recommendations. They were delighted to receive the offer of a new kitchen from our parishioners Johnny and Margaret Whitla who run Kitchen Flair Ltd. at 6 Seafort Avenue, Sandymount Village. They have kindly installed the beautiful kitchen which has also been rewired and painted. Again, our grateful thanks to Margaret and Johnny Whitla and to the Pastoral Council sub committee for all their work.

*Fr. Pat Carroll, PP*

## BALLSBRIDGE, DONNYBROOK AND SANDYMOUNT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Pembroke Library, Anglesea Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.

The Ballsbridge, Donnybrook and Sandymount Historical Society has grown tremendously in the almost 2 years of its existence and has almost 250 members. Anyone wishing to join can obtain an application form and details of events at Pembroke Library, Anglesea Road or can visit the Society's new website at [www.bdshistory.org](http://www.bdshistory.org)

## NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, 27th November 2008

'From Horse-Drawn Trams to the Dart - a history of transport through the area' - Jim Scannell.

Venue: St. Mary's National School, Belmont Avenue, Donnybrook at 8.00 pm Parking is available. Event is free to members and €3.00 for guests.

Thursday, 11th December 2008

The Annual General Meeting and Members' Evening giving our members an opportunity to talk about an item of historical interest.

If you wish to give a short presentation (5/6 minutes), please contact Gail Wolfe by text or call to her mobile phone.

Venue: St. Mary's National School, Belmont Avenue, Donnybrook at 8.00pm. Parking is available.

## FR JOHN BOYERS

Fr John Boyers who has been Parish Chaplain in Merrion Road for the past twelve years is now helping with Masses in the Parish. Many parishioners already know Fr Boyers and he is very welcome.

*Fr. Pat Carroll, PP*

## CARMELITES

A course entitled "The Genesis Project" started in Aras Treasa, Clarendon Street at 8 pm on Thursday 2nd October and continues for 20 weeks. The course deals with topics such as faith - reason - science - superstition.

Details from Rosemary 087 280 5438.

# SPIRITUALITY SECTION

## AVILA PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES ON SPIRITUALITY

Tuesday, 14 October 2008, 8:00-9:30 pm. "St. Teresa of Avila: the Prayer Adventure" *Vincent O'Hara, OCD*

Tuesday, 11 November 2008, 8:00-9:30 pm. "Edith Stein and a spirituality of Holocaust" *Robert Opala, OCD*

Tuesday, 16 December 2008, 8:00-9:30 p.m. "The language of St. John of the Cross" *Nicholas Madden, OCD*

Booking: Avila Carmelite Centre, Bloomfield Avenue, Morehampton Road, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

Phone: 01 643 0200; Fax: 01 643 0281  
E-mail: [avila@ocd.ie](mailto:avila@ocd.ie)

A weekly evening course on Scripture "The Word of the Lord" started at 8p.m. on Thursday 2nd October and continues until 18th December.

## ORLAGH RETREAT CENTRE

26th October - 2nd November  
CENTERING PRAYER RETREAT  
Led by Pat & Bob Johnson

8th November  
DAY FOR YOURSELF: Sacred Places – Where Can You Find God?  
John Byrne & Bernadette Toal,  
10.00 am - 5.00 pm, €50

9th November  
SCRIPTURE DAY: To See or Not to See - themes from the Gospel of Mark, Sean Goan, 10.00 am - 5.00 pm, (including lunch and Mass), €55

28th - 30th November  
ADVENT RETREAT: "Stay Awake"  
Orlagh Team Members, Friday 5.00 pm - Sunday 2.00 pm, €160 (residential) €110 (non-residential)

6th December  
PARISH MINISTRY DAY

13th December  
DAY FOR YOURSELF: Christmas is Coming - How Can You Prepare?  
John Byrne & Bernadette Toal, 10.00 am - 5.00 pm, €50

14th December  
SCRIPTURE DAY "In the Beginning was the Word", The Prologue (John 1.1-18) - a Key to the Fourth Gospel, Kieran O'Mahony, 10.00 am - 5.00 pm (including lunch and Mass), €55

For further information contact:  
Old Court Road, Dublin 16.  
Tel: (01) 4958190  
Email: [info@orlagh.ie](mailto:info@orlagh.ie)

# YOUTH CORNER

## CALLING ALL WRITERS!

"Has Christ been left out of Christmas in the 21st century?"

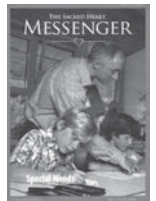
We are looking for short pieces from our under 18 parishioners for inclusion in our Advent/Christmas Newsletter.

Deadline 16th November.

There is a prize fund of €100 for successful entries.

Correspondence to Newsletter, Parish Office or [Newsletter@vodafone.ie](mailto:Newsletter@vodafone.ie)

## THE SACRED HEART MESSENGER



The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Ireland has remained strong through the years.

Helping to spread this devotion, the much-loved Sacred Heart Messenger, has, since its beginnings in 1888, continued to find its way each month, into countless Irish homes. Containing excellent and entertaining reading for all the family, especially for parents, it has won no less than eight Religious Magazine awards. You can subscribe during any month of the year. New readers can obtain their monthly copy by contacting their local promoter in the Parish. Annual subscription: €13.20

Promoter: *Anne Fitzpatrick*

Tel: 4977123

## MARY AIKENHEAD 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF HER DEATH -22ND JULY 2008

Mary Aikenhead was born in Cork city on the 19th January 1787 into an Anglican family. She was received into the Catholic Church as a young woman. Having met with Archbishop Daniel Murray, Mary decided to found a Congregation of women who would bring the love of Christ to the poor and the needy.

With Archbishop Murray's support she founded the Religious Sisters of Charity. Mary and the first Sisters dedicated themselves to the visitation of the poor in their homes. Early on in the life of the Congregation the Sisters began to visit the women's prisons in Dublin. This was the first group of women to take

on prison visitation in Europe. Mary Aikenhead was the first woman to found a hospital in Dublin for the poor - St Vincent's Hospital, St Stephen's Green now St Vincent's University Hospital. Mary Aikenhead also founded the first Hospice in Europe for the care of the terminally ill at Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross. The Religious Sisters of Charity were the first women religious to go to Australia.

Mary Aikenhead, urged by the love of Christ, dedicated her whole life to closing the gap of poverty and neglect. Her work ensured this happened by establishing schools, hospitals, home care and social

services for the most needy. She died in our Lady's Hospice Harold's Cross on the 22nd July 1858. The Religious Sisters of Charity, their workers and friends gathered together in Donnybrook Parish Church on July 22nd 2008 to celebrate her life at a mass where Archbishop Diarmuid Martin paid tribute to the work of the Religious Sisters of Charity in continuing Mary's work to close the gap of difference between all people. Mary's motto inspires her follower's today - "The Charity of Christ urges us on".

*Sr Bertha*



## MARRIAGES

We congratulate

Michael Webb & Caroline Bergin  
 Alan Lynch & Gwendolene McKeon  
 Paul Nagle & Genevieve MacKenzie  
 Mark Rogan & Genevieve Parkinson  
 Aodhan Hobbs & Caragh Behan  
 Niall Dawson & Catherine Gilvarry  
 Alan Doyle & Héloïse Tarrant  
 Philip Dunne & Olive Moran  
 Luke Brennan & Anisa Dervishi  
 Charles Gilbaud & Lynn Moroney  
 Robert Murphy & Sarah Gilmore  
 Kevin Cubitt & Aisling Hegarty  
 Rory O'Donoghue & Lucy Mulcahy  
 Glenn Horan & Joanne Spearing  
 Dermot Roarty & Jayne Marah  
 and wish them every happiness



## DECEASED

We extend the sympathy of the parish to the families of the following who died recently.

Thomas E Flynn  
 Dolores Gavin  
 Dorothy Walpole  
 Fausta Ryan  
 Patricia McLister  
 Mary Grant  
 Dr. Dorothy O'Neill  
 William Joseph Ellis  
 Eugene Grimes  
 George Noel Ganley  
 Denis Sweeney  
 Prof. Patrick Meenan  
 Eithne Mehigan  
 Aileen Mulcahy  
 Brédín Tierney  
 Terence O'Reilly  
 Ann Osborne  
 Teresa O'Callaghan  
 Betty Jordan  
 Peter Jordan  
 Bridie Hayes  
 Jack Molony  
 J.J. Keaveny  
 Fr Louis O'Sullivan formerly C.C.  
 Donnybrook  
 Anne Brennan



## BAPTISMS

We welcome the following, recently baptised to the Christian Community in Donnybrook.

Glen Kenneth Marshall Roche  
 Ailsa Carmel Morris  
 Maya Victoria Gillick  
 Stephen Callum Cranny  
 Kate Rose O'Brien  
 Charlie Joseph Mason  
 Abigail Johanna Foy Holland Keeghan  
 Shane William Murphy  
 Katie Marie Cavanagh  
 Henry Christopher Doris  
 Abigail Francesca Donohoe &  
 Mark Michael Donohoe  
 Lucy Annabelle Clara Donohoe  
 Séan Joseph Stafford  
 Zachary Louis Alan Swan  
 Jack Anthony Dolan  
 Laura Maria Kelly  
 Ruby Karina Crowley  
 Romilly Inna Crowley  
 Gemma Eileen Josephine Doyle  
 Grace Marianne Johnson  
 Alexander Hubert O'Donnell &  
 Julia Mary O'Donnell  
 Gia Rose Hunter  
 Owen Edward Coffey  
 Amelie June Quinn  
 Alexandra Sophie Marie Doyle  
 Juliette Caroline Byrne  
 Baily Ryan Columb &  
 Carter Mannix Columb  
 Chloe Carol Walsh  
 Charlie Anthony Maloney  
 Freddie Thomas Burke  
 Philip John Devlin  
 Elbert Kym Carandang  
 Elizabeth Bronach Rowell  
 Elizabeth Miley Lamig  
 Emmeline Orla Sheahan

## MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday Vigil Mass at 6 pm

Sunday Mass at 9.30 am, 10.30 am, 11.30 am, 12.30 pm, 5.30 pm

Daily Mass at 7.30 am and 10 am

Mass cards may be signed in the sacristy after each mass. Enter at the side of the altar or by the back door.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9.30 - 9.55 am and after 6.00 pm Mass until 7.00 pm

## BAPTISM

Second and Fourth Saturday of each month by arrangement.

## MARRIAGE

3 Months notice required by both Church and civil authorities

## PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr. Patrick Carroll, Parish Priest  
Tel: 283 8311

Fr. Declan Gallagher, Curate  
Tel: 269 2052

Monsignor Richard Sherry,  
Pastor Emeritus  
Tel: 269 2102

## PARISH TEAM

Pastoral Sister: Sr. Bertha  
Tel: 269 3926

Director of Music: Catherine Killoran  
Tel: 087 233 1797

Organist: Michael Quinn  
Tel: 085 362 3128

## PARISH CENTRE

Mon - Fri 10.30 - 2.30 pm  
Mrs. Cassidy

Tel: 269 3926  
Fax: 269 3903

## NEWSLETTER TEAM

Coreen Dennis	269 4852
Mary McDonogh	269 2338
Peter Dunn	668 3074
Gaye Fallon	283 9059
Daragh Mulvagh	269 4482
Mary Plunkett	668 3407

Correspondence to the Parish Centre.

## SPONSOR

Thanks to Dr. Brendan and Kay Murphy who have kindly sponsored this edition of the Newsletter. We are most grateful for their generosity.