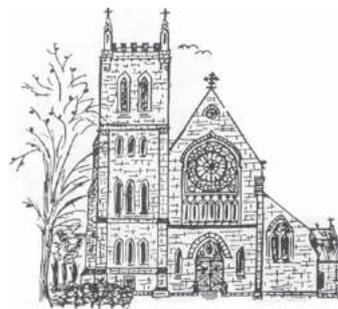


# Newsletter



## Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook

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### Jubilee Year 2016 –2017

On the June Bank Holiday weekend, we brought our Sesquicentenary Celebrations to a conclusion, with a fun and social event in the Church grounds. The year began with the publication of a beautiful booklet on our Church, by Collette Pegum. The opening events of our Jubilee celebrations were the Jubilee Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Martin on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication day of our Church, at which our parish choir sang the Gounod Mass that had been sung at the opening of the Church 150 years ago. There was an Ecumenical Walk through the Christian History of Donnybrook, beginning at St. Mary's Church of Ireland and ending, in Donnybrook

Church with evening prayer. We had a display of memorabilia and photographs and a Family Fun Day at Herbert Park. At Christmas, our Midnight Mass, sung by our parish choir and the choir of St. Mary's School, was broadcast on RTE. In Holy Week, in addition to our usual ceremonies, our parish organist, Michael Quinn and Pauline Graham, his wife, provided for us two very classical, prayerful and reflective musical services, 'Mirror of Pain, (the Passion through Mary's eyes)' on Holy Thursday and 'The Seven Last Words of Jesus' on Good Friday. After Easter we had the very enjoyable Parish Social at Wesley Rugby Club Pavilion for the 200 people involved in ministry and service in the parish; the Jubilate –

Emmanuel Concert of religious music by the choirs of the four schools in the parish, St. Mary's N.S., Teresian Junior and Senior Schools and Muckcross Park College.



John Holohan, Chairperson, and the Jubilee Committee, deserve our very sincere thanks for such a full and varied programme of events. We are very grateful to all who participated and to Dublin City Council, the Businesses in Donnybrook and the very kind sponsor of our Parish Social for their support. We are also very grateful to all who gave us memorabilia to display and to Joe Leahy, Daragh Mulvagh and others, who made a photographic record of the events for future generations.

Looking to the future, in our Jubilee Year, planning permission was received for our Parish Pastoral Centre.

Our congratulations and thanks to all.

Mgr. Lorcan O'Brien. Adm.



May procession

## Retirement of Rosaleen Doherty, Principal of the Teresian Junior and Pre-School



As this school year draws to a close we will be saying goodbye to Rosaleen Doherty who retires as Principal of the Teresian Junior and Pre-School, - a post she has held for longer than almost anyone can remember. However we are glad to report that Rosaleen will continue her influence in the School as Manager for the foreseeable future.

Regulars at the 7.30 morning Mass in Donnybrook will be familiar with Rosaleen's presence in her favourite spot on the right hand side over so many years, almost never missing a morning throughout all her long career.

Rosaleen, a member of the Teresian Association, has devoted almost the whole of her professional life to the Teresian School, beginning on the very first day when the school opened in 1965! After first teaching at secondary level Rosaleen qualified as a primary teacher, teaching in both Carlow and the inner city before returning to the Teresian School as Principal of the Junior School. It has since enjoyed Rosaleen's extraordinary dedication and passion for education over a great many years.

In the educational ideals of St Pedro Poveda, which seeks to blend faith with knowledge in the minds and hearts of young people, Rosaleen found an inspiration that matched her own passion for education. Put simply, Jesus was the inspiration and love of her life, the source of the extraordinary energy and dedication which filled her days.

Rosaleen's untiring love of the children was seen in how she related to and befriended each one of them, along with their

parents. She took a personal interest in each one that did not stop after Class 6 but continued through secondary cycle and later life. Especially in weekly assemblies Rosaleen led both pupils and teachers into deeper understanding of the Christian life and Povedan educational ideals.

Rosaleen has been an inspiring leader of staff and pupils, both loving and demanding, gifted in relating and with a particular, rare wisdom born of her perceptive grasp of reality. Her capacity for work, which extended far beyond a full pre-school day into an endless variety of evening meetings and events, was an iceberg whose tip alone was visible.

The Teresian School owes Rosaleen an enormous debt of gratitude that can never be fully expressed. As Principal she will be greatly missed. However we take consolation in the fact that she will continue to contribute to the school as Manager in the coming years.

*Thank you, Rosaleen, from the bottom of our hearts!*

Hilda Geraghty

## A new beginning!

The newly configured building which houses the PreSchool and part of the Junior School officially opened its doors on Monday 24th April, the first day of the summer term. Happy faces of pupils and staff beamed with joy and amazement at the totally transformed interior, the broad light-filled corridors, the colourful floors and noticeboards, the atrium, the new bathrooms, the bright classrooms, the lovely new landscaping leading to the new entrance. All new, new, new! The building begun last September had been completed on time, in record time and in time for the third term. We are grateful to our architects, Esmonde and Eilis O'Briain, Junior School parent Conor Kenny and the Ormond Construction team who did such a wonderful job! This new beginning expresses the hope, confidence and joy of the Teresian Junior School going forward as it continues its mission to provide an excellent education to present and future generations.



Refurbished Teresians' Junior School



Muckross Park Musicians



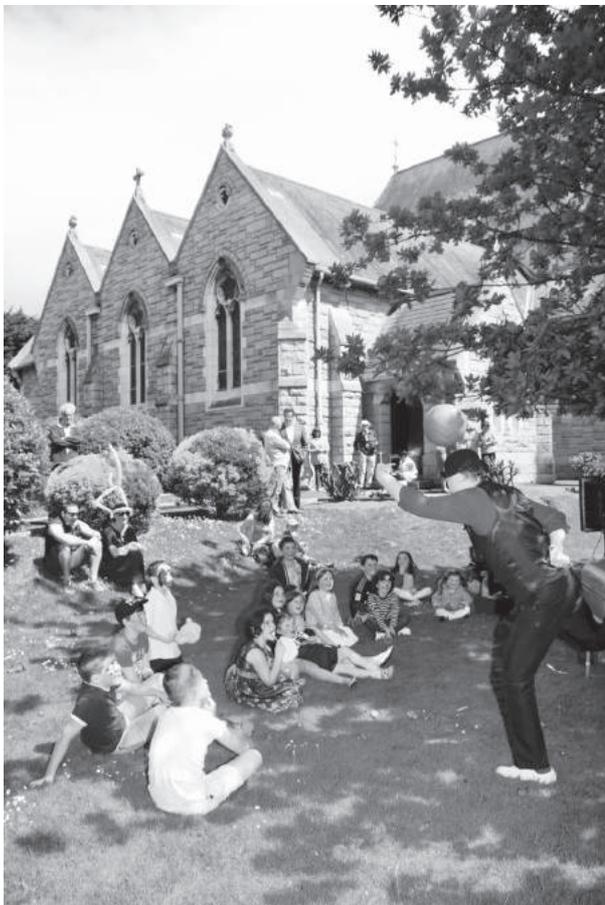
Dance of Jubilate Emanuel



Parish Social



John Holohan, Chair 150 Jubilee Committee



Family Fun Day



Members of our Young Adult Group



Family Fun Day refreshments



Jubilate Emmanuel—Combined School Choirs



Communion and Teresian Confirmation class, Teresian Communion class,  
St Mary's Confirmation class and St Mary's Communion

## MARRIAGES



We congratulate

Richard Corcoran / Joanne Fallon  
Enda Garvey / Perrine Cahill

Who were married recently.



Fr. Pat Sheary, S.J. comes from the Premier County, Tipperary!  
He was ordained at Milltown Park in 1980. A large part of his ministry has been spent in education at Clongowes Wood College and Belvedere College.  
He has recently returned from 13 years ministry in a parish in Long Beach, California.  
He is gradually adjusting to the Dublin climate and is pleased to be of service at the Sacred Heart Church, Donnybrook.

### Parish office

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## BAPTISMS



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

Daniel Quinn  
Jessica Preston  
Conor Dowd  
Cara Thompson  
Emily Collins  
Ruth Keane  
Jacob Mahony  
Nicolas Frame  
Henry Mitchell  
James Spilman  
Juliette Kemmoona  
Theodore Sex  
Patrick Gilmore  
Arthur Gilmore  
Robert Murphy  
Alessia Pop  
Cordelia Leopold  
Leah Shanahan  
Dylan Jacobs  
Annabel McHugh  
Alice Mitchell  
Maximo Montes  
Everly Furlong  
Elliot Furlong  
Thomas Cosgrave

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## DEATHS



We extend the sympathy of the parish to the families of the following who died in recent months:

Bernadette McNevin  
John Shiels  
Geraldine Mulvey  
John Gerald (Gerry) McManus  
Thomas Kenny  
Verette Finlay  
Crona Sheehan  
Fredrick (Fred) Gaynor

May they rest in peace



The Donnybrook whale

### Newsletter Team

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