

**Sunday 4th October 2015**

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Cycle B Week 3

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**Day for Life 2015** is celebrated in Ireland today, 4th October on the theme 'Cherishing Life, Accepting Death'. See [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie) for further information.

#### New Personnel in our Parish

We welcome **Fr. William Stuart**, a member of the Rosmini Order, to our parish. We thank him for his assistance in the sacramental life of the parish and hope that his ministry here in Raheny will be fulfilling. We also acknowledge the work of our recently appointed secretary, **Linda Spellman**, who is assisting Valerie in the Parish Office.

Enquiries and applications for membership of the **Pioneer Total Abstinence Association** will be taken from 11:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. this Sunday in the Conference Room at the side of the Church.

A **Do This in Memory** Co-Ordination Meeting will be held in the Church on Monday next at 7pm. This is a parish-based programme for children preparing for First Holy Communion.

The **Finance Committee** will hold its next meeting on Monday 5th October at 7:30p.m. in the Church.

We welcome **Evie Pothou, Dylan Costello, Liam Clarke-Maguire & Luke O'Byrne**, who were baptised recently, into our Christian community. We pray for their parents and godparents at this special time.

The **Churchgate Collection**, after all Masses next weekend, (10th & 11th October) will be in aid of the **Fr. Peter McVerry Trust for the Homeless**.



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#### THE DEEP END: FAMILY VALUES

When was the last time you attended a marriage or baptism ceremony? It's probably not that long ago; these celebrations tend to come around every year or two, and they are often big family occasions. When a family gathers in the church to celebrate a wedding or a baptism, it is a time to reflect on the role our faith plays in our lives. What has brought us here?

Today's readings offer an opportunity to think about marriage and family. Somewhere along the line, someone in your family made the decision to follow Jesus. Your parents may have brought you to be baptised, just like their parents did for them, and so on down through the generations.

However you came to faith, the responsibility now rests with you. Jesus invited the little children to come to him. We have a responsibility to pass on the faith in our own families. 'May the Lord bless us all the days of our life' (Psalm 127).

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All services from our Parish Church are streamed live on our website [www.rahenyparish.ie](http://www.rahenyparish.ie)...just click on the *Watch Us Live* tab. The Parish Newsletter is also published weekly on the parish website....click on the *Parish Bulletin* tab.

#### Mass Intentions for this week

<b>Sat:</b>	<b>6.00p.m.</b>	Charlie McMahon (Month's Mind) Phyllis Dixon (Month's Mind) John Sheehy (1st Anniv.)
<b>Sun:</b>	<b>8.30a.m.</b>	Pro Populo
	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Caroline Morrison (1st Anniv.)
	<b>11.30a.m.</b>	Christopher McGuirk (1st Anniv.)
<b>Mon:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	John Walsh (Anniv.)
<b>Tues:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	May Kane (Anniv.)
<b>Wed:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Mary Hayes (Anniv.)
<b>Thurs:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	James & Cecilia Spellissy (Anniv.) John & Esther Bennet (Anniv.) Bernadette Murphy (1st Anniv.)
<b>Fri:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Liam O'Flynn (Anniv.)
<b>Sat:</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b>	Philip McQuaid (Anniv.)

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of **Pearl Deegan, Denis Brennan** and **Pauline Guerin** whose funerals took place in our parish church this week. We also remember **Anne Clune**, formerly of Maywood whose funeral also took place this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

**Next Sunday's Readings (28th Sunday in Ordinary Time):** Wis 7:7-11. Ps 89:12-17 R/v14. Heb 4:12-13. Mk 10:17-30

Wednesday next, 7th October is the feast of **Our Lady of the Rosary**. The Rosary invites people to reflect on the great mysteries of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Our Lady is honoured in this prayer. Traditionally in Ireland, October was considered the month of the Rosary. Perhaps you might consider reciting the Rosary or even a decade of it daily during October?