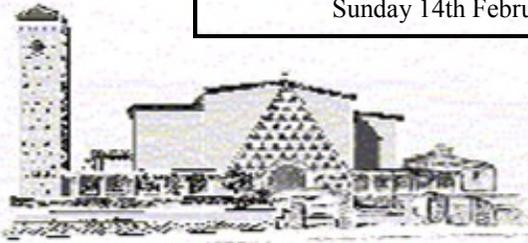


CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

Sunday 14th February 2016 First Sunday of Lent Cycle C Week 1



A Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 17th February at 7.30pm in the old Baptistery.

Thank you for your very generous support for our sponsored fast and cake sale. Both were very successful. Our next event is our Bumper Easter Raffle. So keep an eye out for our tickets sellers. We will have another cake sale in early April. A special work of thanks to everyone who baked and helped on the day.

Krakow Fundraising Group

The annual collection for **ACCORD**, the Catholic Marriage Counselling Service, will take place at all masses this weekend. It will replace the SHARE collection.

The Scripture group in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Greendale Road, Kilbarrack/Foxfield, has arranged for four Lenten talks on God's Mercy, in the Parish Centre, by renowned scripture scholar, Frances Hogan. They will run on Tuesdays from February 16th to March 8th. There will be a suggested donation of €5 for each talk. All are welcome.

Vincent's, supporting the work of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, urgently need volunteers to help within their store at Greendale Shopping Centre. Training is provided. Call Jane on 01 8198413 to apply.

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Remember our Dead

We invite any parishioners who have lost a loved one to bring a colourful piece of material (approx. 15x16cm, 6x4in) and place it in a basket near the Baptismal Font during Lent.

During Holy Week, we hope that a seamstress will volunteer to sew these pieces of cloth together to form a stole of remembrance. The stole will be draped over the cross on Good Friday. It will be used again throughout the month of November.

MUSINGS

As we begin our journey through Lent, it is, perhaps worth reminding ourselves of the cautionary words of the sixteenth-century monk, Gildas, who criticized the misplaced zeal of some monks who preferred 'fasting to charity, vigils to justice, their own contrivances to concord, severity to humility and, finally, man to God'. These things, when cut off from their roots in love, are worthless. The late Dominican theologian Herbert McCabe, was fond of stating that the central doctrine of Christianity is that 'if you don't love you're dead, and if you do, they'll kill you'.

*Salvador Ryan
St Patrick's College, Maynooth*

We welcome **Vanessa Mary Lynch** and **Jack Keegan** who were both baptised last weekend in our church. Congratulations to them and their parents and families on this very special occasion.

MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00pm	Vincent Bailey (1st Anniv.) Caitriona Rooney (1st Anniv.) Audrey McNabb (Month's Mind) Tony Stanbridge (Rec. Dec'd)
Sun	8.30am	Deceased members of the Nestor family
	10.00am	Theresa Ayres (2nd Anniv.)
	11.30am	Sylvia Byrne (1st Anniv.) Seamus Byrne (Rec. Dec'd)
Mon.	10.00am	John & Eileen Delaney (R.I.P.)
Tues.	10.00am	Eddie Coleman (Rec. Dec'd)
Wed.	10.00am	Marie O'Donovan (Rec. Dec'd) Teresa O'Reilly (Rec. Dec'd) Emily Parker (Rec. Dec'd)
Thurs.	10.00am	James & Josephine McNeill (Anniv.)
Fri.	10.00am	Catherine Ryan (Rec. Dec'd)

There is no Saturday 10am mass

Many thanks for your generous contributions to last weekend's collections.

Next Sunday's Readings : Gn 15:5-12, 17-18. Ps 26:1, 7-9, 13-14, R/ v 1. Phil 3:17-4:1

Congratulations to the 2nd class boys of **Scoil Assaim** who received the sacrament of First Penance last Wednesday.

"God wants to live amidst his sons and daughters. Let us make space for him in our hearts."

*Pope Francis via Twitter
4th February 2016*