



St. Michael's Parish Inchicore



A TIME OF WAITING.....

WAITING IS ABOUT LISTENING

WAITING IS ABOUT SILENCE

WAITING IS LETTING GO

WAITING IS ABOUT WONDERING

WAITING IS ABOUT EXCITEMENT

WAITING IS ABOUT NOT KNOWING

WAITING IS ABOUT EXPECTATION

WAITING IS ABOUT BEING ANXIOUS

WAITING IS ABOUT BEING OPEN TO THE NEW

ADVENT IS ABOUT WAITING IN

JOYFUL HOPE



2nd December.

1st Sunday of Advent

Blessing & lighting of the
1st candle of the Advent
Wreath at all Masses.

Enrolment of the boys & girls who are to
be confirmed next year will take place at
the 11a.m. Mass this Sunday.

The GIVING TREE: Food items will be
displayed on the leaves, which were made
by the pupils of Our Lady of Lourdes N.S.
You are invited to take a leaf & return the
food item on the week-end of 8th/9th.
These will go to make up the Christmas
hampers for the needy of our community.

9th December.

2nd Sunday of Advent

The annual indoor collection of
the Society of St Vincent de Paul
will take place on the week-end
of 8th/9th December. A mem-
ber of the local conference will
speak at the Masses. "The SVP is
experiencing an increase of 80% in
demand of our services in the last
two years...we are spending €70m
annually to help those in need..
People who never before had to
seek help are now approaching us"
President of the SVP at launch
of Annual Christmas Appeal.

16th December.

3rd Sunday of Advent

Festival of Carols, with St
James's Brass & Reed band,
combined choirs, readings
& reflections. 7p.m. Mulled wine & minced
pies will add to the festivities.
Donations of minced pies welcome; these
can be brought on the Saturday evening, or
on the morning of the 16th.



**What are the Advent
Readings saying to us?**

The title of a talk
which will be given
by Fr Des O'Don-
nell on Wednesday,
5th December,
7.30p.m. in the House of
Retreat.



Alternative Christmas Gifts: Beautiful hand-crafted items
will be on sale this week-end 1st/2nd December in all 3 Oblate
churches. These goods have come mainly from an Oblate Commu-
nity co-op in Madagascar and all proceeds will go directly to the
workers. The very popular TREE gift cards will also be on sale;
these would make meaningful & lasting Christmas gifts.



Thanks to St James's Brass & Reed band for a
great evening's entertainment, also to the organis-
ers and all who supported the event. **€3,555** was
raised. Proceeds has been shared equally between
the Capuchin Day Centre & St Michael's church
Renovation Fund.

**Christmas
Reconciliation
Service
Tuesday,
18th December**

Oblate Gospel Choir

The Oblate Gospel Choir are up and running again after a longer than extended break! The new Musical Director is Jonathan Ryan— a well experienced and Gospel prize winning young musician. All new members are very welcome to join the choir. If you do not wish to join the Oblate Gospel Choir yourself, please pass the word around that there are vacancies. The choir will be singing in Mary Immaculate in preparation for Christmas. Details will be in next newsletter.



Age of Oblate Gospel Choir members: 18+

Christmas Tree of Memories, Hopes & Dreams



Monday, 10th December
Come and join us for an evening of music, food & festivity

6p.m.: Candlelight Procession starts at Emmet Crescent.

7p.m.: Ceremony at St. Michael's Church. This annual event is being organised by Kavanagh House.

PRAY FOR

Marie Cunningham,
Connolly Gdns
Christopher Whelan,
Anner Rd
Noel Curran,
Inchicore Rd.
May they Rest in Peace

The Catholic Youth Service wish to acknowledge the sum of 358, proceeds from the recent collection. Thanks for your support.

Meeting of the Environmental Group

The recently formed environmental group is gaining momentum with great enthusiasm & plans in the pipeline. These include regular clean up's of the area, entering a tidy area's competition, creating a cultural space & establishing a community garden with allotment spaces. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, **4th December, 7.30p.m.** in the De Mazenod Centre. The group can be contacted at inchicoreenvironmental@gmail.com.



Congratulations to the children from the local schools and the adults who entered and won awards in the recent 'write a story' competition, organized by Inchicore library to mark it's 75th year. 'Library Memories' are now on display in the library along with a selection of arts & crafts from members of the community.

St. Michael's Parish

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Sun. 6.30pm (Vigil), 9am & 11am Family Mass

Church is open from 9am-12.30pm: Monday—Friday.

A Little Lifetime
Formerly ISLANDS
Christmas Service
of Remembrance



St Nicholas of Myra
Church, Francis Street

2nd December, 7.30p.m.

This special service is for parents and family members who have had the experience of losing a baby. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will be in attendance.

Weekly Collections
17th/18th Nov.

1st €592. 2nd (Sick & Indig) €373

Family Offering €1,543
24th/25th Nov.

1st €453. 2nd (Share) €303

Family Offering €605

Partners in Faith
WINTER REFLECTION DAY
Saturday, 15th December
Kimmage Manor
10.30-4p.m.

Contact: 086 3989309 or
Email info@partnersinfaith.ie

'I leave what I am doing
and go the soul's way'
John Moriarty

ARTS & CRAFTS Fair

Sunday, 9th December
12-6p.m.

Arus Mhuire Hall
€25 to book a table

for the sale of craft items.
Contact Amy at 085 7423197

ADVENT is the time to listen for footsteps—you can't hear footsteps when you're running your-