

St. Michael's Parish Inchicore



17 February 2013 **1st Sunday of Lent**

Gospel (LK4: 1-13) Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert.. there he stayed for 40 days"

From time to time, all of us have 'desert experiences in our lives, when we can find

ourselves weary from the ups and downs of life. These feelings can come as a result of loneliness, the loss of a loved one, personal struggles, illness or unemployment. As the Spirit guided Jesus in His desert experience, we trust that He will lead us through the challenges that life frequently brings our way.

"Lent is not about penance, Lent is the opportunity to change what we ought to change but have not. Lent is about becoming, doing and changing whatever it is that is blocking the fullness of life in us right now"

Lenten & Easter Ceremonies

Now that we're into the Lenten season, our thoughts are turning to the Easter liturgies. At special times such as Christmas & Easter, it is heartening to see the involvement of a great many of our parishioners in different aspects of the liturgies. If you wish to actively participate or help out in any way, please leave your name in the sacristy or the Parish Office. The next meeting of the Liturgy Group will take place on Thursday, 28th February.

Welcome in Baptism Vivienne Kate Martin Fmmet Road Hannah Juliet Carvalho/Kisler South Circular Road



We remember & Pray for Ita Flood, formerly of Goldenbridge Terrace. & Bertie O'Reilly, formerly of Kickham Road.

Something different for Lent.....a do it yourself Retreat

- Each Sunday of Lent, there will be a special leaflet in the church with a short scripture passage to reflect and put into practice during the week.
- The leaflet will offer practical suggestions for the week.
- Each week will focus on different themes such as prayer, Bible, Justice-Trocaire Lenten campaign.

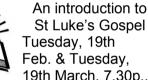
First Communion/ First Reconciliation

Meeting for parents next Tues. 19th Feb. at 7.30pm in the de Mazenod Centre. The Children will celebrate First Reconciliation on Tues. 26th Feb at 7.30pm in St Michael's Church.

Ministers of the Word

A meeting for Ministers of the Word will take place on Friday, March, 1st, 7p.m. in the deMazenod Centre. There will be an input on the Lenten readings, given by an invited speaker. The meeting will also be an opportunity to meet with each other and share some of the practical issues around the ministry. Readers are asked to make a special effort to attend.

SVP Annual Clothing Appeal. Baas will be distributed this week -end. 16th/17th February, and will be collected the following week. All items of clothing, including bed linen, curtains, shoes acceptable.



19th March. 7.30p...

in the Annex. House of Retreat.

There will be a meeting of Bereavement Faith Friends next Monday morning 18th February, following the 10a.m. Mass.



'it is in the shelter of each other that each of us live' (an Irish Proverb)

'The Story of the Universe' Tues 12th March,7.30p.m.

This talk, along with slides will be given by Fr Kevin in the de Mazenod Centre.



FAIR TRADE Fortnight 25th February—10th March

To coincide with this annual event, Fair trade products will be on sale on the week-end of **2nd/3rd March** following all Masses. By choosing Fair Trade, we are helping to provide a decent standard of living and better working conditions for farmers and workers in the developing world.

Irish Classes

Classes as Gaeilge will resume in the B.E.R.A. Hall, Connolly Avenue Tuesday. 19th February @ 8p.m.

The Teachers Musical Society present Michael Collins..A Musical Drama March 4th-9th in the Tivoli Theatre

Tickets, €20 adults & €15 children are available from **www.tivoli.ie**. A special discounted preview night on offer to schools & historical groups.

Camino Pilgrimage for young adults

Why not try a different approach to Easter this year? During Holy Week, a group of young adults(ages17-26) will be walking the final 150km. of the Camino de Santiago, arriving in Santiago to celebrate Easter Sunday Mass in the famous cathedral. The Camino is a journey for the spirit & soul that millions of pilgrims have completed down the centuries. Whatever your reason for beginning, once started, you are sure to become addicted to this amazing journey through beautiful landscapes. Cost €580, which covers flights, transfer & accommodation. Contact Ronan, (+44)020 7624 7296 or

Tea/Coffee Morning

Monday, 25th February De Mazenod Centre from 10.30a.m. Drop in and bring a friend ALL WELCOME!

Canal Clean Up Saturday, 23rd February Meet 11 a.m. B.E.R.A. Hall

Weekly Collections 2nd/3rd February

1st €423 Accord €435 Family Offering €745

9th/10th Feb 1st €446 2nd €303 Family Offering €605

Weekend Retreat for young adults 8th-10th March

Venue: Wistaston Hall, Crewe. For information, contact Ronan at lavery.ronan@googlemail. com

St. Michael's Parish

Fr. Louis McDermott OMI, Fr. Benny Halpin OMI, Fr. Dermot Mills OMI. Parish Secretary: Mrs. Pat Whelan 52a,& b Bulfin Rd, Inchicore, Dublin 8. **Tel 4531660** Parish Office: **Mon-Fri: 9.30-12.30** Email: **stmichaelsparishomi@gmail.com www.stmichaelsinchicore.ie** Weekday Mass: (Mon-Sat)10am Sun. 6.30pm (Vigil), 9am & 11am Family Mass Church is open from 9am-12.30pm: Monday—Friday.

THE GRAND CANAL..Information Evening Wednesday, 20th February, Griffith College, S.C.Rd. 7.30p.m.

Love the Canal? Want to get involved? Find out what's new in 2013?

Meet established groups. Highlight your concerns. The organisers of the evening include Waterways Ireland, Inland Waterways, Voluntary Community Groups &



Trocaire LENT 2013 40 Years working for a just world.	Robinhood
€2 a day will help landless families to	🛔 Aras Mhuire Hall
secure land to farm, grow food and earn an income.	Nightly this week
€2 a day will provide families with agricultural training to ensure better harvests and a more reliable source of food.	finishing with a matinee on Sunday, 17th at 3p.m.
€2 a day will help communities set up a savings & loan scheme, providing families with the capital to buy land or start a small	From reports, this is the best show in town, so don't miss
business. <i>Trocaire believes in dignity, fairness</i>	tout.