St. Michael's Parish

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Mercy Inchicore & Grattan Park Allotments

Mercy Secondary School are delighted to be allocated one of the allotments in Grattan Park. Transition Year students are looking forward to developing their piece of land in a creative way that envelops many subjects. As well as learning about Horticulture, they will be linking the project into subject areas such as Art, Science, Home Economics, Business and Physical Education. In particular, students are looking forward to making links within the community, particularly as our younger students are doing a new course in History for the new Junior Cycle entitled Historical Thinking. The allotment is the beginning of a new opportunity for our students to connect to the local community and we are eager to be a contributing part of the community of Inchicore.

At the recent opening of the Allotments, in which the Lord Mayor of the city officiated, special mention and tribute was paid to the students for their endeavours. Congratulations and Well Done to all!

Congratulations to the Boys in Blue for reclaiming Sam and in particular to Jim Gavin whose family have long associations with Inchicore. But... maybe someone might consider starting a support group for the Mayo supporters...its getting much too painful.

Fr Denis Cormican: The news of the recent death of Fr Denis is a cause of great sadness to the people of St Michael's where he is remembered with much affection. May he rest in peace.



St. Michael's Parish Inchicore

29th September '13 26th Sunday of the Year Gospel (Lk16: 19-31)

"There was a rich man who used to dress in fine linen and feast. . ..and at his gate lay a poor man called Lazarus"

The story paints a picture of two extremes: rich and poor, compassion and indifference, inclusion and exclusion. The Gospel message is a contemporary one prompting us to reflect on the social realities of poverty and injustice, and how excessive emphasis on material goods can create such imbalance in our society. Maybe we can also look at excesses in our own life and appreciate that often 'enough is plenty'.



Harvest time... A time to celebrate Creation. On the week-end of 5th & 6th October,

the liturgy of the Mass will focus on the gift of creation when the care and appreciation of our world will be at the centre of our worship. Harvest time is a time of rich blessing, a time to gather all that has been planted and cared for since Spring. With the beautiful Summer we

have just enjoyed, all the more reason for giving thanks. Vegetables and fruit grown by parishioners in Grattan Park community garden will be included in our offertory. Parishioners are invited to actively participate in the liturgy by bringing a food offering; this can be placed on the altar and shared among each other with a cup of tea following the 11a.m. Mass on the 6th.

Also on this week-end, the very popular **Tree Gift Cards** will again be on sale. These make ideal gifts and help in the Oblate re-forestation Mission in Indonesia.

First Communion

There will be a meeting for parents whose children will be receiving their 1st Communion next May on Tuesday, 1st October in the de Mazenod Centre at 7.30p.m.

The 1st Communion enrollment Mass will take place on Sunday, 13th October at the 11a.m. Family Mass.

Congratulations to Anne and John Smith, Kickham Rd., who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary at this time. Wishing Anne & John continued good health & happiness. Classes will begin shortly on Tues, mornings, 10.30-12 in B.E.R.A. Hall.

If interested, contact Marie Campbell.

Art Classes

CANAL CLEAN-UP Saturday morning next, 28th, meeting 10a.m. at B.E.R.A. Hall

New comers welcome

Culture Night in St Michael's a parishioner writes...... It was certainly 'Culture Night' plus, in St Michael's Church on Friday 20th Sept., when a near capacity audience enjoyed a special night of music and light hearted fun. The splendid Garda Band under their Musical Director & Conductor Pat Kenny carried off a most entertaining evening of music which included individual lovely instrumental and vocal items with 'sing-along's, which gave us all a chance to participate and shine!

The 'Star' of the evening was none other than Regina Nathan, Irish soprano, and internationally celebrated opera & concert singer. A true Prima Dona, in the best sense of the word, with a charming simplicity and the voice of an angel. She sang beautifully some operatic gems and items of song, but the rendition of 'I dreamt I dwelt in Marble Halls' brought the audience to their feet in a standing ovation. We are very fortunate to have had an opportunity to see and hear at first hand one of the finest voices and singers of our time.

It was a joyful experience and an 'uplifting event' to quote Fr Louis in his words of thanks, and helped to move forward the necessary work in renovating our Parish Church.

Well done to all involved and a big 'THANK YOU' to all who worked so hard for a successful outcome, which it truly was.

Parish Finances 1st July, 2012—30th June, 2013

INCOME

Family Offering	€40,342
Shrines	€10,467
Grants (Heritage Council)	€35,000
Donations	€2,820
Fundraising	€2,952
Church Shop	€2,846
TOTAL:	€94,427

Income sent direct to Diocese:

1 st Collection	€23,451
Share	€12,083
Special Collections	€3,495
Stole Fees	€2,256
Loan Account set up for	€53,000

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Salaries	€8,001
Repairs/Maintenance	€6,219
Cleaning	€8,381
Hospitality/Donations.	€2,784
Insurances	€6,419
Electricity	€3,234
Gas	€9,644
Altar Supplies	€4,055
Supplies for Shop	€1,805
Rates/Property Tax	€750
Bank Interest	€1,121
Telephone	€1,583
Stationary/Postage	€1,641
Accountancy	€1,968
Building/Renovation	€85,752
Miscellaneous	€1,850
TOTAL:	€145,207

The parents and young children attending the 11a.m.Family Mass will be delighted to welcome back the **Children's Liturgy** this coming Sunday.

Thank You	Filipino Mass
Bulfin Ladies Club are very grateful	To celebrate the Feast of St
	Michael, the Filipino
Coffee Morning in aid of the	Community will celebrate
Hospice.	Mass on Sunday, 29th Sept
€575.80 was raised	at 12p.m. in St Michael's.

There is a very good selection of books on display at the back of the church, kindly donated by a parishioner. Feel free to take one and return when read.