St. Michael's Parish

Fr. Louis McDermott 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 Problem with God

Christ came into my room the other day, and stood there And I was bored to death, I had work to do.

I wouldn't have minded if he'd been crippled or something....I do well with cripples But he just stood there..all face and with that damned guitar.

> I didn't ask him to sit down He'd have stayed all day, lets be honest You can be crucified just so often.. Then you've had it. I mean you're useless No good to God, let alone to anyone else.

So I said to after a while Well what's up? What is it you want and he laughed..stupid! Said he was just passing by and thought he'd say 'Hello'

Great. I said 'Hello' so he left and I was damned mad I couldn't even listen to the radio I went and made a cup of coffee...

The trouble with God is He/she always comes at the wrong time and in the wrong garb....



St. Michael's Parish Inchicore

13th October '13 28th Sunday of the Year Gospel (Lk17: 11-19) "Were not ten made clean?

The other nine, where are thev?' The Gospel story of the healing of the ten lepers isn't only about physical healing or the lack of gratitude. To me it says more about exclusion and inclusion. In today's society, many of us tend to live in self-enclosed worlds with little knowledge of the problem's of those outside our circle of family and friends. Our greatest challenge as a community of care is how to reach out to those who are experiencing alienation or exclusion. However, one message of the many messages in today's Gospel story is how a compassionate word and a physical touch can often work wonders.

A celebration of Harvest time

The colourful display of fruit and vegetables on the altar symbolise Autumn's giftedness. At last weekend Masses, special thanks was given for the abundance of Harvest time and the gift of God's creation. A video, entitled Creation Call, illustrating the beauty of nature was central to the liturgy. Unfortunately, a hitch occurred at the 11.00 Mass, and the video was unable to be shown. For those interested, the video can be viewed on our parish website www.stmichaelsinchicore.ie

Commemorative Mass for Fr Jimmy Nolan

On the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the death of Fr limmy, a special Mass remembering & celebrating his life will take place on Saturday, **19th October** at 6.30p.m. The liturgy is being prepared

by members of the former St Michael's Folk Choir. All Welcome

The Annual Mass for all our parishioners who have died during the past year will take place on Tuesday, November 5th at 7.30p.m.

First Communion

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

and their families in your prayers, as they begin their programme of preparation for receiving their 1st Communion.

Bank Closure

The decision by the Bank of Ireland to close the local branch is a cause of great concern to the community. With no consultation, and despite years of loyalty by the residents' of Inchicore, this branch is considered no longer viable. Many of the bank's customers are now elderly and, as there is no direct transport link to the Walkinstown branch, are greatly inconvenienced. The closure will also impact negatively on the traders and businesses of the area, will hurt the local economy and lessen community confidence. A letter denouncing the closure has been sent to the bank's headquarters by the three Oblate parishes.

There are a limited number of places for anyone wishing to join the Tuesday morning ART CLASSES in B.E.R.A. Hall.10.30-12. Just drop in.

10a.m Morning Mass Parishioners and all who regularly attend our week day morning Mass, will have heard Fr Louis speak of the introduction of a *Liturgy of the Word* & Communion Service. This service will be lead by members of the congregation and will take place on mornings when a priest is not available. This service is now common practice in many parishes, where it is received warmly. If you would like to actively partake, let Fr Louis know.

We Remember and Pray for Rose Jennings, Connolly Ave. May she Rest in Peace.

BRIDGE for absolute beginners: A new day time course will shortly begin on Mondays & Fridays, 1.30-3.30 in Inchicore College. Contact Brian: 4501541

Welcome in Baptism Alex Jason O'Keefe Halpin-Murray, Ballyfermot.

St Michael's Folk Choir St Michael's Folk Choir are looking for new members. The choir practice on Wednesday's, 6-7p.m and sing at the 11a.m. Sunday Family Mass, also at other parish events. Members have the opportunity to learn guitar, music and make new friends. New musicians are also needed. If you are in 2nd Class or upwards and interested, please see a choir member after the 11o'clock Mass.



of Light & Hope St Michael's church 22nd October, 7p.m. The Inchicore/ **Bluebell Community** Addiction Team invite you to a gathering in memory of those who have died through tragic circumstances within our community. Light refreshments will follow.

Commemoration

All very Welcome

ARC says Thank You

Many in our community avail of the services of Arc, 559 South Circular Road. This is a drop in centre open from 10 to 4.30p.m., offering support, counselling services and complementary therapies to those who are challenged by cancer. Services are free and, as the centre relies on voluntary contributions, they greatly appreciate the sum of €770, the result of a fund raising evening held recently in Theresa O'Brien's home.

Inchicore Environmental Group

The October mid-month clean up takes place this Saturday morning, 10a.m. meeting at the Workmans Club. On Tuesday, 15th, at 7.30p.m. there will be a short meeting of the group to discuss future plans. This will take place in the DeMazenod Centre, Bulfin Road and is open to all who have an interest in the local environment. With the group's success in the recent neighbourhood awards, its onwards & upwards from here.

Thanks to all who supported and helped in various ways in making the recent fund raising concert a great success. €4.968 was raised.

