## 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.

**Inchicore Environmental Group** Routine end of month clean up this coming **Saturday 26th**, meeting at B.E.R.A. hall at 10a.m. Paint & brushes supplied for those who would rather do a bit of painting of the rails along the canal bank. Join the group; its great way of getting some outdoor exercise and also getting to know many new people in the locality. A must to beat the gloom! If you want a break from all this post budget doom & gloom, get a hold of Colm O'Regan's latest book. That's more of it now: The second book of Irish Mammies. It's hilarious, and in all book shops now. thelordsaveus, but you might even recognise someone's voice in the pages.

### Samhain or Halloween as it is now known as.

In Celtic Ireland, Samhain was the division of the year between the lighter half (Summer) and the darker half (Winter). It was a festival celebrating the mysteries of life, death and rebirth. They are at the heart of the Celtic spiritual tradition and the heart of our Christian faith. Samhain is the season that invites us, like the seeds, to embrace the darkness so that new and more abundant life will emerge when the winter darkness is over. Christianity incorporates the honouring of the dead into the Christian calendar with **All Saints** celebrated on **November 1st**. The feast is followed by **All Souls** on **November 2nd** when we remember our departed family members and friends.

> Mass times for Friday, 1st November : Vigil Thursday <u>7p.m</u>. Friday, 10a.m

Mass on Saturday, 2nd November 10a.m.





# St. Michael's Parish Inchicore

27th October '13 30th Sunday of the Year Gospel (Lk18: 9-14)

'everyone who exalts themselves will be humbled, They who humble themselves will be exalted'

Today's Gospel is a reminder of the dangers of assigning importance to ourselves or believing that greatness belongs to those of a certain social standing. Neither is it a call to deny our own self worth, but to recognize our gifts and talents and also our limitations.

*`...playing small doesn't serve the world.* There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people will not feel insecure around you. We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It is not just in some of us: it is in everyone...'

Nelson Mandela

### **Annual Mass**

The Annual Mass for parishioners who have died during the past year will take place on **Tuesday, 5th November** at 7**.30p.m.** An invitation from the parish will be sent to the families of the bereaved in the coming weeks. Refreshments will be served following the Mass.

#### **Anniversary Mass**

A word of appreciation and thanks to the organisers of last Saturday's Mass in memory of Fr Jimmy Nolan. It was a joyful occasion, with exceptional music and singing, in which parishioners and members of the former St Michael's folk choir celebrated and recalled their memories of Fr Jimmy and the departed members of the choir. A DVD of the Mass which also includes snap shots of the folk choir down the years is available. If you wish to order a copy, please contact Catherine Byrne or the Parish Office. The band who provided the music at the reception that followed, where all were invited, were happy to donate their fee to a charity working in Haiti.

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Finding God in our World Today The theme of two sessions which will be given by Fr Kevin McLaughlin during which we will explore the emerg- ing understanding of our place in the world & universe. How this helps but also challenges us in our thinking of God. Monday, 4th Nov. Annex,( Oblates) Monday, 18th Nov. DeMazenod Centre.	Parish Pastoral Council The current members of the Parish Pastoral Council are as follows: Julie Lynch (chairperson) Aimee Merry ( secretary) Fr Louis, Derek Bunyan, Declan Doyle, Tom Shan- non, Mary Reilly & Doris Lopez.	Kavanagh HouseAnnual event The lighting of the Christmas Tree of <i>Memo- ries, Hopes &amp; Dreams</i> will take place in the church grounds on 9th December. As Kavanagh House are no longer in a position to fund this event due to cutbacks, a church gate collection will be held on <b>2nd/3rd No- vember</b> at all Masses. There will also be a <b>Table Quiz</b> on Thurs- day, <b>7th November</b> , 8p.m. in the Glen of Aherlow. €5 per person, 4 people per table.	<b>Vacancy</b> The Oblate Gospel Choir based in Inchicore, is in the process of recruiting a new musical director on a 'contract for service basis'. This is an oppor- tunity to lead & develop an established communi- ty gospel choir. For more information or to
Fr Kevin, whose expertise is in the area of Ecology, believes that caring for the environment is an essential element of being in touch with God. His talks are highly recommended.	Commissioning of PPC members will take place shortly when you will have the opportunity of meeting the members and hearing	<i>No Spring nor Summer beauty hath such grace</i> <i>as I have seen in one Autumnal face</i> John Donne <i>A good time to be a Saint!</i>	submit a c.v. please email: oblategospelin- fo@gmail.com Closing date: Monday,
Congratulations &	of the work of the council.	After a wait of 14 years and many disap- pointments along the way, St Pat's finally got	<b>2 Closing date. Monday,</b>
<b>Good Wishes</b> go to much loved parishioner Nancy O'Neill who recently cel- ebrated asignificant birthday. Continued good health Nancy & thanks for your many acts of generosity down the years.	We Remember and Pray for Philomena Dickinson Bulfin Gardens May she Rest in Peace. A Liturgy of the Word & Communion Service	<u>their</u> hands on the Airtricity League Trophy last week in Richmond Park. It was a great occasion; winning the league is some achievement for any club, but winning in such style and in front of the home crowd was extra special. The wild celebrations that followed is a measure of what winning the league means to the players, the fans, the	Weekly Collections 12th/13th Oct. 1st €390. 2nd. €273 Family Offering €815 19th/20th Oct. 1st €419. Missions €450 Family Offering €545
<i>Ciorcal Comhra/Conversation</i> <i>Circle</i> ' for adults re-commencing at Conradh Na Gaeilge Hall, Grattan Cres- cent on Tuesday, 29th October at 8.15p.m. This provides an ideal oppor- tunity for those with a basic knowledge	was introduced on Monday and Wednesday morning of this week. The service, which is common pr <b>a</b> ctice in many parishes, was warmly received by those present. This will continue on morn- ings when a priest is unavail-	staff and the whole of the area. Congratula- tions to all. Its European football now for the SUPERSAINTS. Canal Communities LOCAL POLICE FORUM Public Meeting, Tuesday 29th October 7p.m. in St Michael's Community Centre	St Michael's Active Retirement ART CLASSES Wednesday's, 10am-12pm. in Community Centre. New members welcome
of Irish to improve their fluency in a relaxed atmosphere. Nominal fee. Further information from	able. <b>CROSSCARE</b> wish to thank parishioners for their contribution to	You are invited to meet Gardai & City Council officials to discuss: Community Policing, Problems & Solutions, Feedback & Discus-	Reminder Clocks go BACK

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parishioners for their contribution to the recent Annual Collection. The parish contributed €380

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1 hour this week-end.