

St. Michael's Parish

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

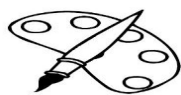


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Camino Pilgrimage for Young Adults 13-28th April

'imagine walking on a path where millions of feet from other lands and cultures have previously walked, feet that have trod hundreds of miles to reach a sacred site. Think of what it would be like to have that same path and those same stones beneath your feet as you, too walk to reach the same destination. That is what is like to be on the Camino de Santiago de Compostela' Joyce Rupp This Easter, why not do something differently? Challenge yourself! Join us as we walk 130km on the ancient pilgrimage route, the Camino de Santiago. We will begin our journey on Palm Sunday and walk through Holy Week, arriving at the Cathedral in Santiago on Easter Sunday. The cost of the pilgrimage is €499 per person, to include flights, transfers and half board accommodation. For more information, or to book a place on the pilgrimage, please contact Andrew on (+44) 0131 5552179 or email andrew.oblate.partners@gmail.com.

ART CLASSES return on Tuesday morning, 11th Feb. at 10.30 in B.E.R.A. Hall The classes are facilitated by the Bulfin Ladies club; however anyone who wishes to attend will be made very welcome.



Inchicore Environmental Group

The next village clean up will take place on Saturday, **26th February**, meeting at the Workmans Club, 10a.m.

'keep me away from the wisdom which does not cry, the philosophy which does not laugh and the greatness which does not bow before children' Khalil Gibran

Please be very vigilant when answering your door to callers; there are NO representatives from Irish Water in the area at this time.

9th February 2014

5th Sunday of the Year

Gospel (Mt5: 13 16)

'You are the salt of the earth

.you are the light of the world'



In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus offers two vivid metaphors of the church. He tells us we are *'salt of the earth'* and the *'light of the world'* Our natural identity as Christians is to be salt and light; the opposite is to be tasteless and hidden. So where am I in this imagery?

'Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.

Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous? Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a child of God—Your playing small doesn't serve the world.

There is nothing enlightening about shrinking so that other people will not feel insecure around you.

We are born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.

It is not just in some of us: it is in everyone.

And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give people permission to do the same.

As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.'

Marianne Williamson (attributed to Nelson Mandela)

MAY WE ALL SHINE ON !

The Annual collection of **ACCORD** (the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family) will take place on weekend **15th/16th February**.

Church Renovations—update

The parish is awaiting approval from the Planning Dept. of Dublin City Council to commence much needed internal alterations to the church. The plans include the construction of toilets, including a toilet for disabled, the relocation of the church shop and an area where parishioners can gather for tea/coffee and refreshments on special occasions. A copy of the plans will go on display in the church this week. It is hoped that permission will be approved in the next few weeks; following approval, the work will go to tender.

Welcome Home: Though he may not yet be ready for the next 5k run in the park, it's great to see Fr Louis back and recovering well following his recent surgery. A word of appreciation and thanks also to Fr Dermot who, ably assisted by Fr Peter, kept the 'ship afloat' at all times and particularly during the busy time of Advent & Christmas.

Congratulations to Kim Hickey, granddaughter of Maeve O'Keeffe (Suir Rd) on being selected for the under 13 Dublin Camogie Team. Kim plays for local club Good Council and by all accounts is 'one to watch.'

St Vincent de Paul ANNUAL CLOTHING APPEAL

Bags will be left in the church on week -end 15th/16th February and collected on the following week 22nd/23rd. The appeal is for good quality clothing, foot wear, curtains, bed clothes etc.

The 1st Communion preparation programme '**Do this in Memory**' Sunday, 16th February, 11a.m. Family Mass.

Anointing of the Sick :Saturday 8th at 11a.m. in church of Mary Immaculate. **Torchlight Procession:** Tuesday 11th at 8p.m.



Welcome in Baptism
Eve Rose Hawkins, Stephens Rd.
Carter James Gibbons, Clondalkin.
Conall Daniel Heraghy, Kilmainham Orchard.
Talan Patrick Smith, Berry's Close

Pray for
Anthony Redmond
Anner Road.
Annmarie Connolly
Manchester.
(formerly of St Michael's Estate)

Stepping into Spring

..with St Brigid, Mhuire na nGael, a Saint for today's Ireland.

The celebration of Brigid's day at all Masses last week-end was a feast of childhood memories and stories, of song, of spring flowers, of light & colour. Families received St Brigid's crosses, and prayers and blessings were offered for personal protection and for a changing Ireland of today. Many people came together to share their ideas and creativity, resulting in a joyous community celebration which was followed by refreshments and conversation. The young Brigid (Neri who is a 5th year student of Mercy secondary school), in telling Brigid's story, helped to make her message both real and relevant. In hearing of the saints concern for issues of justice, care for the environment, hospitality & generosity to those in need, we can see why St Brigid continues to be relevant to today's world. Special thanks to the sisters of Mercy, to Neri, the pupils of Mercy Secondary school and all who helped in the preparation of this special liturgy honouring our patron Saint.

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Weekly Collections
25th/26th January
1st €328 Share €220
Family Offering €245
1st/2nd February

1st €423 Share €265
Family Offering €1,053
Your continued support is much appreciated.

ITS PANTO TIME!

Inchicore Variety Group present DICK WHITTINGTON in Aras Mhuire Hall, Wednesday, 19th February– Saturday, 22nd. 8p.m. each evening and finishing with a matinee at 3p.m. on Sunday, 23rd. Tickets on sale at the desk in the House of Retreat, or from 086 8627739. Family ticket €30 for 2 adults & 2 children under 12. Adults €12. Seniors & Students €10 & Children under 12, €6.



As always this promises to be a great show.