## 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 453 1660** Parish Office: **Mon-Fri: 9.30-12.30p.m.** Email: **stmichaelsparishomi@gmail.com www.stmichaelsinchicore.ie** Weekday Mass: 10a.m.

Saturday 6.30pm (Vigil). Sunday 9am & I Iam (Family Mass) Church is open from 9am-12.30pm on weekdays

## Bealtaine 2014

Taking its name from the ancient Celtic festival celebrating springtime, Bealtaine celebrates renewal, creativity and growth in ageing. There are a great number of interesting events taking place throughout the city. The local library will supply you with the full programme( 453 3793). The following is just a sample of what is on offer during the month of May.

### **Tales from the Tenements**

An afternoon of story, laughter and craic about Dublin in the rare auld times. Wednesday, **21st May,11a.m** in Scoil San Seamus, Basin Lane. Audience participation is encouraged so don't be shy! Com along ,enjoy a cuppa and share your stories.

## St James's CBS

Join the students of St James's CBS Secondary school on Thursday, **22nd May,11a.m**. for a comedy session, written and performed by the students. This is a special performance as part of the Bealtaine's Festival.

## For more information on both events, contact Mary on 086 8150324

**Forthcoming elections**: If You are new to the area, entitled to vote and not on the voting register, you still have time ( but only just) to get your name on the supplementary register. Application forms can be downloaded from *www.checktheregister.ie* or from the Dublin City Council office. The closing date is **Tuesday May 6th.** 



# St. Michael's Parish Inchicore



# 4th May 2014 3rd Sunday of Easter

Gospel ( LK24: 13-35) 'they recognised Him in the breaking of bread'

This Sunday's Gospel story presents us with a scene of two dejected people walking away from their hopes and dreams. It could be said that we too are those two disciples on the road to Emmaus. Haven't we all had



this experience? Often our hopes are dashed; many of our dreams and wishes are unfulfilled and it's at times like this that running

and hiding can seem an option.

But it is then that Jesus sneaks up on us! This is the reality of resurrection. It doesn't offer us a life free of challenges but a sense that the Risen Jesus walks with us, is present when we gather to share our story, when we offer hospitality to the stranger and when we meet and break bread together.

> 'we are always looking for the next moment to be perfect. We're a people always rushing into the future Because we're not experiencing a wholeness in the present. Yet this moment is as perfect as can be' Richard Rohr

**REMINDER:** If you haven't returned your **Trocaire** boxes, they can be left in to the Parish Office or sacristy any morning. Thank You.

## Vocations Sunday, 11th May

On the week-end of 3rd/4th May, there will be a special collection to support students studying for the priesthood. This will replace the usual Share collection. Your support is very much appreciated.

## Holy Week & Easter 2014

A '**Big Thank You'** to all who gave so generously of their time and energy over the past few weeks in the preparation of the Holy Week and Easter ceremonies. Thanks to the back ground workers who polished, cleaned, arranged flowers, decorated and took care of the altar linens; to the choirs for all their hours of prac-



tice, bringing both solemnity and joy to our liturgies; to the Ministers of the Word and Eucharist who came together to ensure understanding and co-ordination of the ministries. Thanks also to the parents and children who prepared and enacted the Calvary story on Good Friday. A special word of gratitude also goes to all who contributed flowers and plants for our beautiful Easter garden. The strength of community involvement is, as always, evident at this time.

## Thank you Christy.

As he turned the key of the church door on Easter Sunday morning, Christy Brady ended his tenure as sacristan of St Michael's. For fifteen years and with total commitment, Christy undertook his duties with great loyalty and in a spirit of reverence and humility. Always eager to share a joke, laced with the '*cupla focal*' or enter into discussion on the current state of national affairs-though never compromising on his own principles-, Christy leaves us with happy memories. However it is Christy's immense love and reverence of the Eucharist, drawing him to the occasional spirited impromptu address to the congregation, that is the essence of the man.

The often used adage 'behind every good man ...... rings true for Christy. From her active involvement in school committees, helping out in the many fund-raising events down the years, to her recent attention to the altar linens and upkeep of the church, Rose Brady has also given great service to the community.

Thank you Christy and Rose for your loyalty, your generosity and dedication. May you be blessed with contentment and good health in the years ahead. *Mile Buiochas!* 

Recently Deceased **We Remember and Pray for** Theresa Delahunty, Kickham Road Betty Moore, Bulfin Road Philip Halpin, brother of Fr Benny P.J. Kelly, Donegal. Formerly of Inchicore May Whelan, Tallaght. Formerly of Emmet Rd. Ellen McDonnell, St Patrick's Terrace Tom Flood, late of Goldenbridge Tce. **May they Rest in Peace**  Weekly Collections 12th/13th April 1st  $\notin$ 493 2nd Share  $\notin$ 275 Family Offering  $\notin$ 590 19th/20 April (Easter) 1st  $\notin$ 642 Share  $\notin$ 400 26th/27th April 1st  $\notin$ 492 Share  $\notin$ 241 Family Offering  $\notin$ 935 (2 weeks) Thanks to all who have given their Easter Dues.

**Cemetery Mass:** The annual Mass will take place in Fingal cemetery on Sunday 22nd June at 12 Noon.

Support for unemployed Are you aged 18-24 and unemployed? Are you interested in getting some help to plan your future? The Get Connected Programme in Inchicore may be able to help you to make future plans, to get information on education, training and employment, and also to get some work experience.

Information from: *lucy@canalpartnership.com* Phone: 4732196 or 086 0229389

#### **`BEGINNING EXPERIENCE'**

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner through death, separation or divorce. Few people are able to cope alone. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Coping effectively with bereavement is a skill we can all learn. A residential weekend will be held from **16th-18th May** in All Hallows, Drumcondra. Further information from **086 0877379** or email *bedublin@gmail.com* 

**Confirmation & 1st Communion 2014 9th May** Parish Confirmation. **10th May** 1st Communion for the children of Gaelscoil Inse Chor. **17th May** 1st Communion for the children of Our Lady of Lourdes N.S. *The parish shop has a great selection of cards and a variety of mementos for those special occasions now in stock.*