

St. Michael's Parish

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Weekday Mass: (Mon-Sat) 10am

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

Church is open from 9am-12.30pm: Monday—Friday.

Date for your Diary Sunday 26th April

Fr Liam Lawton in concert in St Michael's church with special guests St Michael's singers. All proceeds going towards church renovation fund, More details later.

BRIDGE

Calling absolute beginners, a new course in Bridge lessons is starting soon at Inchicore college. For information, contact 087 2533514

Living with Asthma: Patient focused event organised by the Asthma Society of Ireland takes place on Monday 23rd, from 2-30-4.30p.m. in Dublin City Council offices in Wood Quay. Admission is free but booking is necessary. Call 01 8178886

YOGA for children

Yoga classes for 7-10 year olds, starting Wednesday, 15th April 4.15-5.15p.m. in the De Mazenod Centre. 4 week module €20.

For more information and to book a place, contact: kidsyogawithaimee@hotmail.com



Items for newsletter

Have you an upcoming event, a good news story or any information you would like to share? Let us have it! Notices can be left into the Parish Office or email: stmichaelsparishomi@gmail.com



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22nd February 2015 1st Sunday of Lent

Gospel (Mk1: 12-15)

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness"

Haven't we all found ourselves in the wilderness!

We cannot live, love and engage meaningfully in life without sometimes having our own 'desert experiences'. It is in those wilderness times we come to

**know that when our strength is gone,
God's strength carries us through.**

Lent is not about penance,

Lent is the opportunity to change

what we ought to change but have not.

Lent is about becoming, doing and changing

whatever it is

that is blocking the fullness of life in us right now"

TROCAIRE
Working for a Just World

How just €2 a day can help communities affected by climate change.

€2 a day will help to install an irrigation system ensuring less reliance on erratic rainfall so that crops can grow.

€2 a day will provide seedlings for a family to plant trees helping to increase soil fertility for growing food.

€2 a day will provide a small business loan enabling people to start a small business, thus ensuring they are able to feed their families.

'Let us pray that the Lord gives us the grace to envisage a world in which no one must ever again die of hunger' Pope Francis

Eucharistic Ministry

New and existing Ministers of the Eucharist are invited to a series of reflective and training evenings.



Dates: Tuesdays, 24th February, 3rd & 10th March.

Time & Venue: 7.30p.m, De Mazenod Centre. The meeting on the 10th March will take place in the church.

All Eucharistic Ministers are asked to make a special effort to attend.

St Vincent de Paul Annual Clothing Appeal.

Reminder!

Bags will be collected this week-end, 21st/22nd. All items of clothing, including bed linen, curtains, shoes

PRAY FOR

Olive O’Gorman,
Connolly Avenue.
May she Rest in Peace

FAIR TRADE Fortnight 23rd February—8th March

Fair trade products will be on sale on the week-end of 7th/8th March following all Masses. **Why choose Fair Trade?**



- Fair Trade means fair pay and safe and healthy working conditions for farmers and producers.
- Fair Trade supports communities by working through co-operative structures meaning small farmers are able to invest in their communities and so improving housing, healthcare and schools.

A Book Club with a difference: Sharing 'The Joy of the Gospels'

Monday mornings during Lent, beginning Monday 23rd, 10.45-11.45 a.m. Meeting in the priests house.

Spread the word, everyone welcome!

Homelessness.....A Community Response

The problem of homelessness hits the headlines regularly, especially in Winter when inclement weather means that people who are sleeping on the streets are at risk of dying from hypothermia. We have our own homeless people here in Inchicore as many who visit the Grotto or walk along the canal in the early morning or late evening will know well. We can feel uncomfortable and helpless when we see bodies on the ground wrapped in sleeping bags or someone begging.

How can we reach out appropriately to our neighbour in need?

Two parishioners, Margaret Fitzpatrick and Julie Lynch have been looking at just that question and have produced a leaflet with useful information on how our Parish community might respond. Leaflets are available in the church—please take time to read it.

Put on your Easter bonnet... for a Parish Family Sponsored Walk on Sunday, 22nd March after the 11am Mass walking to the Memorial Park. Dress up, put on your best Easter bonnet and join the fun. Sponsorship cards are now available from the parish office or from Mary in the choir. Children must be accompanied by an adult and all monies raised will go towards the Church Renovation Fund.



A Journey Through Lent Thursdays, 7.30p.m. in the Annexe, House of Retreat.

Thursday February 26th
Nellie McLaughlin **Creation & Spirituality**

Thursday March 5th
Sean Goan **The Good News of Easter**

Thursday March 12th
Bernadette Purcell **Journey through Lent**

Thursday March 19th
Peter McVerry **Good News for the Poor**

Thursday March 26th
Brother Richard **Mindfulness for Today**

Weekly Collections
7th/8th February
1st €443 2nd €220
Family Offering €550

14th/15th Feb
1st €390 Accord €280
Family Offering €810

 * **ALL SHOOK UP...** *
 * After a successful run of *
 * Michael Collins, Teachers *
 * Musical Society are back with *
 * their production of All Shook *
 * Up at the Tivoli from 2-7th *
 * March at 8p.m. *
 * Tickets €20 (Mon.€15) and *
 * available from www.tivoli.ie *
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Thank You

Pauline Ward would like to thank everyone who called to see her and sent cards and get well messages during her recent stay in hospital.



Get Well Soon... Our best wishes go to Ann Kelly who is recovering from a recent stay in hospital. We hope it won't be long until we see Ann back again at the helm.