

St. Michael's Parish

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Weekday Mass: (Mon-Sat) 10am

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

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

Love after Love

*"The time will come when, with elation
You will greet yourself arriving
At your own door, in your own mirror
And each will smile at the other's
welcome*

And say, sit here. Eat.

*You will love again the stranger
who was yourself.*

*Give wine . Give bread. Give back your
heart to itself,*

To the stranger who has loved you.

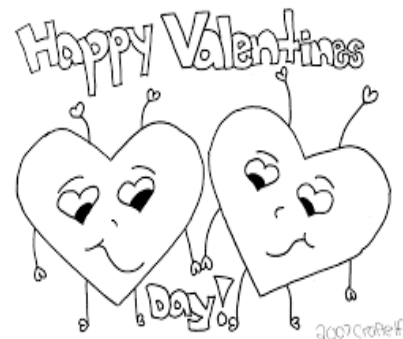
*All your life, whom you ignored
for another, who knows you by heart.*

*Take down the love letters from the
bookshelf,*

*the photographs, the desperate notes,
Peel your own image from the mirror.*

Sit. Feast on your life."

If your Valentines card didn't arrive,
give a thought to loving yourself,
as expressed in this poem.



Inchicore Library

Ongoing activities

Children's Story Telling

Tuesday afternoon
2.30pm.

Knitting Group

Thursday afternoon
3—4.30pm.

Adult Book Clubs

1st Monday of the Month &
Last Thursday of the month
6.30pm.

New members always
welcome



St. Michael's Parish Inchicore

14th February 2016

1st Sunday of Lent

Lent coincides with the arrival of spring, taking its name from 'lengthen' as Winter gives way to the season of Spring. And just as nature renews herself each year, Lent is also a time of renewal; a time to reflect on our personal growth as we prepare for the graces that come with Easter, a season of rebirth and renewal of life.

*'Come, come whoever you are,
Wanderer, Worshipper, lover of leaving-
it doesn't matter.
Ours is not a caravan of despair.
Come, even if you have broken your vows
A hundred times.
This is the date of hope,
Come, come yet again,
Come. '
Rumi*



TROCAIRE
Working for a Just World

This year TROCAIRE'S Lenten campaign is drawing our attention to the difficulties developing countries are experiencing as a result of climate change. In the face of extreme changes in the weather system, hundreds of millions of people, who rely on agriculture for their survival, are struggling for survival.

Unreliable rainfall, storms and floods are making it increasingly difficult to grow crops. With our support, Trocaire is working with affected communities helping them in their efforts to adapt and cope with the unpredictability of changing weather patterns. Trocaire boxes are now available in the church.

'A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just' Pope Francis.

St Michael's church 2016 Commemorations

As Centenary Commemorative events are taking place nationwide, it is fitting that our parish community also commemorate and celebrate the significance of St Michael's church in the story of the Easter Rising of 1916. A series of events will take place in the church from **12th-24th April**. All events will be publicised well in advance and parishioners will have an opportunity to actively participate in the occasion.

Photographic Display... Have you old photographs?

The history of St Michael's church, from its origins as a garrison church for Richmond Barracks to present times, will be portrayed in a memorabilia and photographic display in the church. If you have photographs dating back to the 30's & 40's of weddings or other significant events, we would be happy to have them; they will be scanned and returned safely. Please put them in an envelope with your name and leave them in the parish office.

Pray For

Noel Mason, Devoy Road
Christina Reidy, Emmet Road
Betty Cummins, Partridge Terrace
Christina Lavin, Kilmainham Bank
Dessie Fortune, Southern Cross Ave.
May they Rest in Peace



Welcome in Baptism

Heven Evelyn McCarthy
Harcourt Lodge.

'Advise is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't'

SIMON says Thank You

The Dublin Simon Community would like to thank all those in St Michael's Parish who donated clothes this winter for distribution to homeless people in Dublin. Your continued generosity is much appreciated.

Weekly Collections

30th/31st January

1st €427 Share €225
Family Offering €595

6th/7th February

1st €435 Share €250
Family Offering €535

Church Grounds: A word of appreciation and thanks to the gardeners who maintain the church grounds. The weather is no obstacle to this group of hardy parishioners who devote many hours in keeping the grounds looking so well.



Extract from Pope Francis's Lenten Message for the Year of Mercy

'God's Mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in return. In an ever new miracle, divine mercy shines forth in our lives; inspiring each of us to love our neighbour and devote ourselves to what the churches tradition calls the corporal works of mercy. These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbours in body and spirit; by feeding, visiting and comforting them. On such things will we be judged.'

Guest Speaker

Padraig O'Morain

Week-end 27th/28th February

Padraig O'Morain, well known journalist and author, who currently writes a weekly column in the health supplement of the Irish Times will be a guest speaker at the 6.30 & 11am Masses on the 27th/28th February. Padraig, who has written many books and gives workshops on the practice of mindfulness, will speak on the topic of

'Self-Compassion'

As we all strive for greater well-being and fulfilment in our daily living, Padraig's presentation should prove very beneficial.

Inchicore Variety Group

Present

ALADDIN

Aras Mhuire Hall
17th-21st February
Matinee, Sunday, 21st
3pm.

Adults: €12

Seniors/Students €10

Children: €6

As always great entertainment is promised.



Make-A-Wish: Volunteers needed for Annual Fundraising Day

Make a wish has one simple aim— to grant the wishes of children aged 3-17 who are living with life threatening medical conditions so their lives can be enriched by creating extraordinary memories for them and their families. Volunteers are needed for **WISH DAY on Friday 8th April**. There are a number of ways you can support us: sell badges at a nearby location: hold a coffee morning or cake sale. If you can commit to a day or even a few hours selling our badges, please contact Emma at emma@makeawish.ie or call 2052012. www.makeawish.ie

Rialto/Kilmainham Commemoration 1916 group invite you to a talk given by historian Catherine Scuffil entitled '**From Tower Field to Pigtown 1916**' where the 4th battalion met and fought, on **Monday 15th** in St Andrew's Community Centre, Rialto, at 7.30pm. Cover charge €2.

St Vincent De Paul Annual Clothing Appeal

The society of St Vincent De Paul welcome good quality adult and children's clothing, shoes, bed linen etc.

Bags will be available in the church this week-end and will be collected the following week-end **20th/21st February**.

Inchicore Environmental Group

Invite you to join them for a **Village Clean up**

Saturday, 20th February, 10am
Meeting on Emmet Rd,
(workman's club)

If you haven't already taken part, please consider joining the group. You will meet a bunch of super committed people doing their bit to make our environment a better place for all.