

St. Michael's Parish

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Weekday Mass: (Mon-Fri) 10am

Liturgy of the Word & Communion Service on Wednesdays 10am

Sunday Mass: 6.30pm (Vigil), 9am & 11am (Family Mass)

The church is open from 9am-12.00pm: Monday—Friday.



St. Michael's Parish Inchicore

12th March 2017

2nd Sunday of Lent

Gospel (Mt 17: 1-9)

'There in their presence he was transfigured'

The transfiguration of Jesus is a brilliant and mysterious event almost beyond understanding. And yet, on occasion, we've had our own 'peak experiences' when we've felt God's presence and caught glimpses of his glory in a powerful way. It is at times like this, we witness the beauty and wonder of our lives and the possibilities that lie within each of us.

'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 & fabulous?'

Actually, who are you not to be?'

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

There's nothing enlightening about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We were born to manifest the glory of God that is within us,

And as we let our LIGHT SHINE,

we unconsciously give others permission to do the same.

*And as we are liberated from our own fear,
our presence automatically liberates others.'*

Nelson Mandela

St Patrick's Day
Friday, 17th March
Mass Times: Vigil 7pm
(Thursday)
10am St Patrick's Day



Prayer of St Patrick.

I arise today

Through God's strength to pilot me

God's eyes to look before me

God's wisdom to guide me

God's shield to protect me.

Christ with me, Christ before me

Christ within me, Christ in me

Christ beneath me, Christ above me

Christ on my right, Christ on my left

*Christ in the heart of everyone who
thinks of me*

I arise today.....

This prayer is a reflection of the strong Celtic belief that God's presence is all around us.

La Fheile Pdraig Sona Daoibh!

In Dublin's Fair City
Friday, 24th March, 6.15pm

The Choristers of St Patrick's Cathedral invite you to their FREE concert with a retiring collection in aid of the **Refugee Housing Fund.**

Save Kilmainham Mill:

Meeting: Monday, 13th March. 8pm
in The Patriot Inn.

Local support is needed for this project in order to save and preserve the historic building.



A word of appreciation and thanks

to the gardeners who keep the church grounds looking so well.

*'and then my heart with
pleasure fills
and dances with the
daffodils'*

CROSSCARE Youth Services

The Annual Collection for Crosscare—the Social Support Agency of the Archdiocese, will take place on the week-end 18th/19th March. It will replace the weekly Share collection.

Fair Trade & The Gift of a Tree

The Fair Trade movement campaigns to improve the lives of workers and small producers, especially in developing countries. A parishioner will speak at Masses this week-end

11th/12th of the importance and benefits of choosing Fair Trade products. We will also be reminded of a reforestation programme in an Indonesian island led by Charlie Burrows OMI. This project has created employment for its people and is helping the restoration of the island's indigenous wildlife. **Tree Gift Cards** costing €5, all of which will go directly to support this project, will be on sale at all Masses. Tree cards make ideal gifts for all occasions.



Lenten Talks

Tuesday, 14th March, 7.30pm. Donal Harrington will lead a talk and discussion on Pope Francis's vision of church and parish for today. This talk will take place in the Oblate House of Retreat

Nellie McLaughlin RSM, will speak at Masses in St Michael's church on the week-end of **18th/19th March.** Nellie is the author of '**Life's Delicate Balance**', where she echoes Pope Francis's vision for caring for the earth, our common home.

Nellie will also lead a talk and discussion on this subject on **Tuesday, 21st March,** at **7.30pm** in the Oblate House of Retreat.

On the week-end of **25th/26th March,** in St Michael's church, we will hear an asylum seeker's story and their experience of living in a residential institution, commonly known as 'Direct Provision'

You are invited to join with parishioners on Tuesday mornings during Lent, for a short time of quiet prayer and reflection following the 10am morning Mass.

Pray for

Ann Reid, Islandbridge.
Joan Bunyan
Goldenbridge Terrace.
May they Rest in Peace

Welcome in Baptism

Jude McAleer
North Terrace
Daniel Michael &
Isabelle Ellen Tierney
Tyrcconnell St.

Confirmation

On Saturday, 25th March at 11.30am. Msgr Dan O'Connell will confirm the boys and girls from Our Lady of Lourdes N.S. We pray that these young people will know the Holy Spirit as their strength and guide on their life's journey.



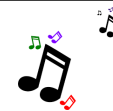
TROCAIRE Lenten Campaign

Colm Hogan of Trocaire spoke last week-end of the importance of the annual Lenten campaign to the work of Trocaire. Colm highlighted the devastating impact of climate change in the poorest communities worldwide. At present 5 million people are in need of emergency food aid in South Sudan. In supporting Trocaire, we are expressing our solidarity with families facing injustice and poverty worldwide.

Gaelscoil Inse Chor
Invite you to their annual

CEILI

Thursday, 16th from 8.30pm
In Inchicore Sports & Social Club
(C.I.E. works)
Live Ceili band
le Ceol, Rince agus Craic!
Tickets €10 payable at the door.



Weekly Collections

25th/26th February
1st €413 Share €260
Family Offering €390.

4th/5th March
1st €515 Share €265
Family Offering €700

Bulfin Estate Residents

There was lively discussion and a good attendance at the recent meeting of Bulfin residents. A follow up meeting will take place on Monday, 20th March at 7.30pm. The meeting will be in BERA Hall, Connolly Avenue.

Bulfin Court.. An invitation

The centre provides a 4 course mid day meal Monday to Friday for €5 with transport available if needed. Contact Marie at 454 0454

Regeneration of the former St Michael's Estate

The large attendance at the recent meeting reflected the interest and indeed the concerns of the community regarding the future of the site of the former St Michael's Estate. The meeting was organised by St Michael's Estate Regeneration Team who outlined Dublin City Council's plan for the site. The proposed plan is to construct 420 units consisting of apartments and duplexes with heights of 3-4 storey. This is to be developed in three phases; the 1st phase is the area beside Thornton Heights, (designated for older people) the 2nd phase is the 6.5 acre site of the former St Michael's Estate and the 3rd phase is the area facing Emmet Road (3.5 acres). Residents had an opportunity to give their opinions which were wide ranging. Concerns were expressed regarding the ratio of social/private/affordable units, the necessity for green space and for social and commercial amenities.