

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

Inchicore Environmental Group

- Reviewing
- Celebrating
- Looking to the future

**Tuesday, 28th November.
8pm.**

De Mazenod Centre.
Open to all & Everyone
WELCOME !

Mondays at the Mess Autumn/Winter Schedule **Monday, 4th December** 11am: Screening of 'Barracks Square Estate 3 ages of a place'

A documentary about Richmond Barracks and the communities of Keogh Square & St Michael's Estate.
Admittance €5 which includes tea/coffee & scone Booking through Eventbrite or pay at the door.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

St Louis High School
Sunday, 10th Dec.

12-3pm

Wheel of Fortune-Carols-
Wreaths

Face painting-Coffee shop
& all kinds of Christmas Goodies.

Church Shop

Now in stock, Mass bouquets, cards,
Advent candles & calendars.

Fr Des O'Donnell's recent publication
'To Love and to be Loved' is
also available, cost €10



Mercy Secondary school

As part of their Leaving Cert Applied Task, the pupils are asking for donations of warm clothing, hats, gloves, scarfs etc. for distribution to the homeless.

Our Lady's Hospice
Harold's Cross
Light up a Life
This Sunday, 26th Nov.
3.45pm.



26th November 2017 Feast of Christ the King

Gospel (Mt25: 31-46)

The celebration of the feast of Christ the King brings the church year to a close. On this feast, Jesus is characterised as both king and shepherd, glorious and humble at the same time. An unconventional image of a kingdom is portrayed where king and suffering humanity are one. Greed, status or power don't feature in God's kingdom, rather works of mercy such as feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger, visiting the sick and those in prison are what matters: hallmarks of Christian living and leadership. *'Just as you did it to one of the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me'*

Confirmation: The Enrolment Ceremony for the boys and girls from Our Lady of Lourdes N.S. who are preparing for Confirmation, will take place at the 11am Family Mass this Sunday, 26th. November.

Advent



A new church 'season' and a new church 'year' begins on Sunday, 3rd December. Advent calls us to a spirit of quiet preparation as we *'wait in joyful hope for the coming of the Lord'* Probably a tall order as all around us it appears Christmas is already in full swing.

There will be an opportunity to take a short time for quiet prayer & reflection on the Tuesday mornings of Advent in the church, following the 10am Mass.

*'inside everyone is a great shout of joy
waiting to be born'*

St Michael's Parish...looking to the Future

Over the past year meetings have taken place to look at the future needs of our parish at this time of change and uncertainty. One central aim of these discussions was to employ a pastoral worker who would assist in the future development of the parish. As you may know, we were unsuccessful in our efforts; however our aim is to continue this process.

Its now time to meet again, take stock and form a group that will reflect on the changing needs of our parish community. This meeting will take place on **Thursday, 30th November at 7.30pm** in the De Mazenod Centre. A diverse range of voices and ideas are necessary if we are to bring about a future more inclusive and relevant to life in St Michael's parish. Though challenging, this new reality is an opportunity for renewal and fresh thinking.

If you feel you can participate in this process, please come along, your input will be greatly valued.

Thank You

The Lambert family would like to sincerely thank their neighbours, friends and people of the parish on the passing of their incredible little Superhero Isaac. In particular we would like to thank Irene, Mary, Rose, Marie, Bridie Byrne, Anne Ward, Fr. Louis and Catherine Byrne, your support at this heartbreaking time will never be forgotten.

Isaac, your wings were ready, but our hearts were not. May you soar high with the angels Buster Boo, we will love you forever.



Festival of Carols

Sunday,
17th December, 7pm.
St Michael's church.

Inchicore Bluebell Community Addiction Team

A church gate collection will take place on the weekend of 2nd/3rd December to help towards the cost of the Christmas tree which will be lit in the church grounds on Monday, **11th December** at 6.30pm



Community Workshop to make stars for the Christmas Tree will take place on Tuesday evening, 28th Nov. Drop in anytime between 6 - 8pm in St Michael's Community Centre to make your stars

Homelessness...Looking beyond statistics

3000 children homeless ... Numbers, statistics... unfortunate people "somewhere out there." Nothing directly to do with us. No longer is that the case. On Dec 5th, just over a week away, a family in this parish – Mam, Dad, two young children – will be evicted from the flat they have been renting for six years, because a new landlord has taken over the property and told them to go.

What kind of society have we when landlords, with impunity, can evict families without providing suitable alternative accomodation? Have selfishness, greed and a total lack of compassion now become the values by which we live?

On this feast of Christ the King the Gospel reading (Matthew 25:31-46) is so very apt.

Crosscare Annual Food Appeal

Archbishop Martin is seeking practical support for the annual Parish Food appeal on **2nd/3rd December** for the Crosscare Foodbanks. The foodbanks provide support with essential food & household for families throughout the diocese. Items most needed include shampoo/hygiene products, tinned meats, soups, biscuits & cleaning products. For further information, contact mmcdonagh@crosscare.ie

Our Lady of Lourdes N.S.

Fundraising **TOY SALE**

Friday, 1st December, 9am

Carol Service

14th December

**12pm in St Michael's
church**



Pray for

John Burke, Memorial Court
Eddie Tarpey, Inchicore Road
Ellen Kenna, New Road
Anna Ashley, Thomas Davis St
Alice Downes,
(sister of Maureen Scott)
John Shanahan,
(brother of Luke)
May they Rest in Peace



Weekly Collections 11th/12th November

1st €312 Share €215

Family Offering €725

18th/19th November

1st €333 Share €210

Family Offering €840

Women's Day of Prayer: Saturday, 2nd December, 10am.

Annex, House of Retreat. Facilitator: Terry Murray, O.M.I. €20, includes lunch.

Contact: Theresa O'Brien, 086 1577766. Marie Brady, 4540142.