

### 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

**11th February 2018**

**6th Sunday of the Year**

Gospel (Mk:40-45)

Sunday's Gospel reading illustrates the revolutionary nature of Jesus's ministry. He doesn't follow laws that exclude and denigrate the poor, the outcast or the 'unclean' such as the leper in the Gospel reading. He does more than simply respond to the man's plea, he assures him that, though an outcast, he has Value, Dignity & Worth.

**11th February World Day for the Sick**

World Day for the Sick coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

**Prayer for the sick**

*Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today.*

*We ask that you would bring them healing, comfort & peace.*

*Calm their fears and let them experience*

*the healing power of your love. AMEN*

### **Connecting Global and Local Action**

The board of the Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM) will be convening in Ireland from 12th-15th February. This growing global movement came about to bring Pope Francis' vision in Laudato Sí to live in the church. To take advantage of having the board here in Ireland, and to give them a warm Irish welcome, a special meeting on Laudato Sí will be held in Maynooth. At the meeting, participants will be exploring the connections between the inspiring work of GCCM and how they can strengthen links with initiatives happening here in Ireland.

The meeting will take place on **Thursday 15th February at 11am** in the Columba Centre Library, Maynooth University South Campus, from 11am, ending with Mass at 1pm celebrated by **Fr. Sean McDonagh** for those who wish to attend.

The meeting is being co-hosted by the Laudato Sí Working Group of the Irish Bishops Conference and Trócaire.

Places are limited, so please register with Susan Cullen [susan.cullen@trocaire.org](mailto:susan.cullen@trocaire.org) asap or You can find out more about GCCM from <https://catholicclimatemovement.global/>.



A representative from **Trocaire** will speak at Masses on the 17th/18th, the 1st Sunday of Lent, sharing with parishioners information on the work of Trocaire and the programmes that benefit from the annual Lenten Campaign.

### **Choose Life 2018 - Resources for Parishes**

Every week, the Catholic Communications Office in Maynooth will circulate the double-sided newsletter *Choose Life 2018* for use in parishes. *Choose Life 2018* promotes the Church's position on unborn human life and encourages family discussion on this important subject. The newsletter will be published each week on the diocesan website:

**[www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018](http://www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018)**

### **Ash Wednesday, 14th February : Masses 10am & 7pm.**

Traditionally a season of abstinence & self denial, Lent is also an opportunity to take on an initiative that will have a positive impact on society and particularly the environment. Eco-Congregation along with a number of churches are promoting a Lenten initiative **Jars4Journeys**. It aims to offset the impact of the carbon footprint and is encouraging people to donate every time they make a journey that is not by foot or bike. The money raised will go towards three conservation projects in communities most affected by climate change. If interested, check out [ecocongregationireland.com](http://ecocongregationireland.com)



## Pastoral Area & Parish Newsletter

Beginning on Sunday 18th February, a monthly newsletter combining the three Oblate parishes, Bluebell, Mary Immaculate & St Michael's. will be published. The newsletter, in collaboration with Liturgical Publications will be available in the church. Hopefully you will find this new publication interesting and informative. We will continue to publish our own parish newsletter, though it will now be on a monthly basis rather than fortnightly, alternating with the Pastoral Area newsletter.

### Pray for

Liz Edward, Connolly Avenue  
Tina Copley, late of Bulfin Road  
Peggy McLoughlin, Galtymore Road  
George Saunders, Inchicore Road  
*May they Rest in Peace*



### Best Wishes to Sarah

Sarah Lawler, who plays guitar at the Sunday Family Mass, has gone to Kolkata, India as part of a school initiative to help underprivileged children in Kolkata. Sarah will be providing teaching and arts and crafts support to help the children in Educational Centres in the region. Sarah has raised over €1,100 that will be given directly to the Educational Centres supporting the education of these children.

Congratulations and good wishes go to Sarah on this very worthy initiative on behalf of the less privileged in society; we look forward to her sharing with us some of her experiences on her return home.

### Weekly Collections

#### 27th/28th January

1st €368 Share €255  
Family Offering €615

#### 3rd/4th February

1st €385 Share €205  
Family Offering €780

### Our Lady of Lourdes N.S.

Well Done to the **school choir** who recently entertained the residents' of Hollybrook Nursing Home on the occasion of Grandparents Day. We hear that their rendition of 'I'll tell me Ma' went down a treat.

The school is currently taking enrolments for September 2018.  
Telephone: 014541265  
Check out the school's website:  
[www.ourladyoflourdesns.ie](http://www.ourladyoflourdesns.ie)

### Lourdes Novena Torchlight Procession

February 11th  
following the 7pm Mass.  
Oblate church grounds.



### TWIST & PROUT

Celebrating the life of Barry Prout on the occasion of Barry's 50th birthday.  
A MUSICAL TRIBUTE  
Friday, 23rd February  
Coffey's Bar. Tickets €10  
In keeping with Barry's wishes, all proceeds of the evening will go to Our Lady's Children's Hospital.



### CINDERELLA

A Panto for all the family  
14th, 15th, 16th & 17th Feb. 8pm  
Matinee Sunday, 18th & 3pm  
Arus Mhuire Hall.

Tickets Adults €12. Seniors €10  
Children €7  
Group tickets also available  
Tickets from the Oblate Parish  
Office or call

086 8627739, 087 9155177  
You can also pay at the door.

As always, a great show promised.

The **Inchicore Environmental Group** invite you to join them on Saturday, 17th February for a **VILLAGE CLEAN UP**. Meeting at 10am at the Workman's Club, Emmet Road. Gloves, pickers, hi-viz jackets will be provided. Well done to those who are continuing in their efforts to keep the area clean and are creating an awareness of the benefits of a clean and healthy environment. Thanks also to the members of the group who plant and maintain the plants & shrubbery in the area.



### Gaelscoil Inse Chor PUB QUIZ

This Friday 9th, 8-10pm  
Glen of Aherlow (Donoghues)  
4 per table - €5 per person

Spot prizes - raffle

All funds going to Coiste for Gael Scoil  
Inse Chor

### Be Alert

Not wishing to alarm anyone, however there are reports of a number of break-ins in the area of late. Be extra vigilant at this time.

**'There are those who give with joy  
and that joy is their reward'**

Khalil Gibran

### EASTER PILGRIMAGE ON THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

Make this Holy Week a pilgrimage to remember, joining a group of pilgrims walking the final 134km of the famous Camino walk through Northern Spain.

Flying out of London on Palm Sunday and arriving in Santiago in time for Easter Sunday Mass, before enjoying two nights in the beautiful historic city.

25th March - 3rd April 2018 £495pp/€560 (Half-board, ex-London) 18+

Contact Chris Cullen at [chris.oblate.partners@gmail.com](mailto:chris.oblate.partners@gmail.com) 0131 555 2179

**ACCORD**, the National Marriage Care Agency of the church will hold their annual church collection on the weekend 17th/18th February. It will replace Share.