

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

17th February 2019

6th Sunday of the Year

(Gospel Lk6: 17.20-26)

The Beatitudes are among the most beautiful, though challenging, messages of the Gospel, as they appear to contradict the conventional thinking of today's society.

Those who are hungry, poor or mourn don't always see themselves as blessed.

Are we expected to think of ourselves as blessed when people hate us, abuse us and call us all kinds of names, even if we're blameless?

In confronting his followers with an alternative message, Jesus challenges us also to see our world in a different light.

Less challenging are the *Small Beatitudes* by Joseph Folliet

*Blessed are those who can laugh at themselves:
they will have no end of fun.*

*Blessed are those who can tell a mountain from a molehill:
they will be saved a lot of bother.*

*Blessed are those who can relax without looking for an excuse:
they are on their way to becoming wise.*

*Happy are those who can take small things seriously and face serious things calmly:
they will go far in life.*

*Happy are those who can appreciate a smile and forget a frown:
they will walk on the sunny side of the street.*

*Blessed are those who think before acting and pray before thinking:
they will avoid many blunders.*

*Above all, blessed are those who recognise the Lord in all whom they meet:
the light of truth will shine in their life for they have found true wisdom.*

Monday's at the Mess

Richmond Barracks

4th March 2019 at 11am

The Heart of Inchicore:

The Railway Works

Lecturer: Mary Muldowney, Dublin City Council, Historian-in-Residence.

The Inchicore Works have played a significant role in the operation of the Irish railway network since opened in 1846.

For more than 170 years, the Inchicore works have also been a focal point of the development of the village and the surrounding area, providing employment and housing and contributing to the development of the area.

The lecture will be followed by a discussion session, in which it is hoped that local residents will share their memories of living in the neighbourhood of 'the Works'.

**Free admission as part of our
March Culture Date with
Dublin 8 event**

Inchicore Environmental Group

invite you to join them this Saturday, 16th for a Canal cleanup. We meet at the BERA Hall, Connolly Ave at 10am. and finish with tea and refreshment at 11.15. Hi vis jackets, gloves and pickers are supplied. New members always welcome.

Keep this date:

Monday, 11th March 7.30pm

De Mazenod Centre.

'think globally, act locally'

A discussion on how we can make small positive changes to benefit our local environment.

**'From myself I am copper,
through You, friend, I am gold.
From myself I'm a stone, but
through You I am a gem'**
Rumi

(keeping in the spirit of
St Valentine)

SURVEY ON SACRAMENTS

An online questionnaire has been set up by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin as part of the work of a recently established Sacraments Review Group. Recognising the need to review the preparation and celebration of the sacraments, the Archdiocese is seeking the views of parents, teachers, priests and the wider faith community on how we might improve the way we prepare and celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation.

The brief of the Review Group is to consult widely about peoples experience of the sacraments and then make recommendations for the future. As many people as possible are invited to take part in this on line survey, so that the Review Group can get a wide range of views

The survey is open to all. It can be accessed on the Diocesan Website at www.dublindiocese.ie/survey-on-sacraments.

The closing date for the online questionnaire is 25th February.

Pray for

Charles Keegan, formerly of Stephen's Rd
William Greene, Thornton Heights
Jim King, Walkinstown & former
member of St Michael's Senior Choir
May they Rest in Peace

Welcome in Baptism

Brody Michael Dunne,
Liffey Street

Bulfin Ladies Club re-
opens Monday evening, 18th.

ACCORD Annual Collection this weekend, 16th & 17th February .

Accord is the diocesan agency that supports marriage and family life.

Mercy girls make the headlines

The transition pupils of the Mercy Secondary school have been very active in recent times, producing a video and putting out the message that they care for the area where many of them live and go to school. In their own words :

"We were inspired to make a change and make Inchicore a better place to live..we wanted to voice our opinions and put forward our suggestions to make improvements and be involved in the community's development.... the lack of amenities and opportunities presented in our area is worrying and we wish to contact people in power who can help us make a change and offer us the advantages that teens from other areas have access to.... with more facilities we could achieve wonderful things."

Listening to the students speak at their recent coffee morning one, could not but be impressed with their enthusiasm and vision. WELL DONE girls, there are signs of some budding politicians among you. Well done also to their teachers.

Acknowledgment

Pat Brennan R.I.P.

Elsie and family wish to thank all who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement. Thanks to their neighbours, friends and all who attended Pat's funeral , also to those who called to their home with messages of support at this sad time. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Get your dancing shoes on !

ZUMBA for Adults. Wednesday mornings, 9.30-10.30. Get fit: have fun: come along to Our Lady of Lourdes N.S. €3 only per class

Fairtrade Fortnight 2019 25th February to 10th March.



Each year during these two weeks, attention is drawn to the benefits of buying items displaying the Fair Trade logo. By choosing Fair Trade, we are helping to provide a decent standard of living and better working conditions for producers and workers in developing countries.

We are asked to be on the look out for the Fair trade logo especially at this time and consider swapping one item of our usual brand for a Fair trade product.

On the weekend of the **9th/10th March, 1st Sunday of Lent**, Colm Hogan of Trocaire will speak from personal experience of the positive impact of Fairtrade on the lives of families, communities and the environment in developing countries.

Healthy Eating for Life : Thursday 21st February at 11am

A HSE Community Dietitian will be in **Inchicore Library** on 21st to discuss the principles of healthy eating with focus on the food pyramid and practical discussions on the benefit of healthy eating. Booking required on 01 4533793 or email inchicorelibrary@dublincity.ie

Weekly Collections

19th/20th January

1st €335 Share €210
Family Offering €1,220

26th/27th January

1st €360 Share €215
Family Offering €630

2nd/3rd February

1st €330 Share €195
Family Offering €535

9th/10th February

1st €320 Share €200
Family Offering €645

It's Panto Time!

Inchicore Variety Group present
*The misadventures of Robin Hood
& his not so merry men.*

Arus Mhuire Hall
Tyrconnell Road

Wednesday 20th-Saturday 23rd
8pm & Sunday, 24th 3pm.

Call 086 8627739

Tickets also available at the Oblate
House of Retreat

C'mon the Saints !

A new season, a new manager and new players. As St Patrick's Athletic kick off the season with a home game against Cork City this Friday, hopes are high that this will be a memorable season on this special 90th year of the club. They rely as always on local support so get behind the Saints.