

**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

28th January 2018

## Be Thankful

*Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire,*

*If you did, what would there be to look forward to?*

*Be thankful when you don't know something*

*For it gives you the opportunity to learn.*

*Be thankful for the difficult times.*

*During those times you grow.*

*Be thankful for your limitations*

*Because they give you opportunities for improvement.*

*Be thankful for each new challenge*

*Because it will build your strength and character.*

*Be thankful for your mistakes*

*They will teach you valuable lessons.*

*GRATITUDE can turn a negative into a positive.*

*Find a way to be thankful for your troubles*

*and they can become your blessings.*

### **Silver Surfer Awards 2018-**

#### **The search is on**

These awards, organised by Age Action, celebrate and showcase older peoples' use of the internet and technology as well as the volunteers who teach these skills. The closing date for accepting nominations is 21st February. For details of the categories and how to nominate are available on

[www.ageaction.ie](http://www.ageaction.ie) or by contacting 014756080.

### **B..E. - BEGINNING EXPERIENCE**

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Few people are able to cope alone with the pain of loss. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge – not weakness. This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. Coping effectively with bereavement is a skill we can all learn. A team, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share their experiences with you.

**Next Coping Programme will commence on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018 for 7 Wednesday evenings, at 7.15pm in White Friars Community Centre, Aungier St (No need to book) For further information phone 086 0877379 or email: [bedublin@gmail.com](mailto:bedublin@gmail.com)**

*'Hope is the thing with feathers  
That perches in the soul  
And sings the tune  
Without the words  
And never stops at all..'*



Emily Dickinson

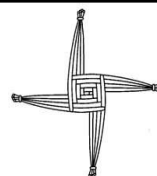
### 1st Communion 2018

The 'Do this in Memory' 1st Communion preparation programme continues this Sunday at the 11am Family Mass.

The Months Mind Mass for **Barry Prout** will also be celebrated on Sunday, 28th at the 11am Mass. Refreshments will follow the Mass.  
All welcome.

### Pray for

Vera McGrath, O'Leary Road  
Albert Greene, Devoy Road  
Ann Kenny, Bluebell  
Maureen Fidler  
(Sister of Bernie Thompson)  
died in America  
Eilish Cawley  
South Circular Road  
*May they Rest in Peace*



### Feast of Brigid- Mhuire na nGael -1st February

**La Fheile Bride:** Aifreann as Gaeilge, Thursday, 1st February, 8pm in Aras na Gaeilge, Grattan Crescent.

Celebrant, Fr Brian De Burca.

Mass will be followed by **Oiche Ceoil**. All welcome.

The feast of St Brigid marks the arrival of longer days and the early signs of Spring. Many traditions are associated with Brigid, the most well known is the St Brigid's Cross. The tradition of having a Brigid's cross in the home as a symbol of protection and peace continues for many. This belief is also shared further afield as illustrated by a story told by Terry our sacristan. Terry's friend Herbert who lives in Germany believes his home was protected by his St Brigid's cross during recent severe gales where much damage occurred in his locality. By request, Sr Agnes and friends are making Brigid's crosses to be sent to Herbert's neighbours & friends in Germany.

There will be some crosses also available in the church courtesy of the Mercy sisters.

### Safer Internet Day: Tuesday, 6th February

This is an EU initiative to promote a safer internet for all users, especially young people. The theme of Safer Internet Day 2018 is:

**'Create, connect and share respect: A better internet starts with you'**

Organisations across the country will be getting involved; running information sessions for parents, giving talks in schools, hosting workshops, and generally encouraging safer and more positive use of the internet by children. WEBWISE, the promoters, have developed a resource pack containing awareness raising collateral, a new teaching resource for dealing with the issue of cyber bullying through the SPHE curriculum in post primary schools and an innovative interactive poster initiative. The pack will challenge young people to find new ways to use the internet and social media to stand up to bullying and show solidarity with victims.

You can get more details at [www.watchyourspace.ie](http://www.watchyourspace.ie).

**Lent** begins on 14th February, which means this year Ash Wednesday and St Valentine's Day share the same date. (an unlikely combination or maybe not)

### Weekly Collections

#### 13th/14th January

1st €345 Share €220  
Family Offering €1,620  
(two weeks)

#### 20th/21st January

1st €322 Share €210  
Family Offering €620

### Catholic Schools Week

29th Jan.-2nd Feb.

#### Grandparent's Day

Our Lady of Lourdes N.S. invites you to join with them for a Coffee Morning to celebrate Grandparent's Day on **Wednesday, 31st January at 9.15am**. All Welcome

### Bulfin Ladies Club

The club will reopen on **Monday, 5th Feb**. This is a momentous year as Bulfin Ladies club celebrates its 50 birthday. Well done to all for lasting the pace and for looking as fresh, elegant and vibrant as we did back in 1968! Celebrations planned.



### Lourdes Novena

Church of Mary Immaculate

#### 2nd-11th February

Led by Fr Brian De Burca

Mon. to Fri.: Mass at 10am & Novena service at 7pm

Saturday: Mass at 11am & Novena service at 7pm

**Saturday, 10th:** Mass & Anointing of the Sick at 11am

**Sunday, 11th,** Torchlight procession following the 7pm Mass.

**FOUND:** A Liffey Valley Shopping Centre GIFT CARD in the vicinity of St Vincent St West. To claim, call 086 3738573

### Monday's at the Mess

**Monday, 5th February**

**11am.**

#### The Devout & the Deviant

With Molly O'Duffy

Molly's talk will outline the context that led up to the 1935 Criminal Law Amendment Act that dealt with sexual crime. It will examine the impact on women as a result of the passing of the Act. Adm. €5 which includes tea/coffee and scone in the café.

The very popular **Musical Tour** of Richmond Barracks will take place on **Wednesday, 31st January at 11am.**

### Age Action: Care and Repair

The Care and Repair programme carries out minor repairs for older and vulnerable people free of charge at all locations and provides contact details of local tradesmen for larger jobs. Befriending services are also provided through visits and telephone calls. Learn more about **how Care and Repair works**, how you or someone close to you can access the service and how you can get involved, either as a volunteer or as part of a community group. For further information call 01 4756989 or email: [careandrepairdublin@ageaction.ie](mailto:careandrepairdublin@ageaction.ie)