



# PARISH OF FINGLAS

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## Baptism—The Beginning of the Journey

Merely presenting children for Baptism is not enough. Parents must hand on the Christian values system. This of course, presumes they have faith. Children imitate their parents in many ways and that includes their value system. If parents don't have faith, the seed at Baptism will not grow. There must be a reasonable hope that the child will be brought up in the faith. If it is absent, baptism should be delayed and an explanation given to parents.

When a child is baptised it is presupposed that not only must parents be people of faith but also the sponsors. Being human, our faith is not perfect; It needs nourishment—regular attendance at Sunday Mass is one sure way to nourish our faith. Absence weakens it.

In the ceremony of Baptism parents are reminded that they are the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith. They do this by example—what they say and do. Therefore, it is important that children grow up in a household of faith.

## AN EQUAL RIGHT TO LIFE

Some politicians, along with international abortion campaigners, want to repeal the 8th Amendment so they can legalise unlimited abortion. Your life started at conception—the moment when your sex, eye colour, potential height and even personality traits were determined. From that moment on you grew and developed. You were once just a fetus which is the Latin term for 'offspring or young one', just as you were once an infant, a toddler, a teenager. These are just terms used to describe you at different stages of life. At seven weeks your taste buds develop and by week eleven your toenails and fingernails begin to form. Whatever difficulties mothers may face, shouldn't we try to eliminate the difficulty, not the child?



Catholic Newspapers are on sale at the back of the Church



## The Ascension of Our Lord

*As they were watching He was lifted up and a cloud took Him out of sight*

At the Ascension (meaning 'taking up') it must have seemed to the Apostles that Jesus had abandoned them. But the truth is that from then on, His presence became even more intense, even though they could not see Him. Jesus could no longer be with them in body, but would always be with them in spirit. Jesus entrusted the preaching mission to the Apostles. They would learn to discern His presence in the scriptures, the sacraments, their neighbours, the poor, the sick and the needy—and they taught others to do the same.

*Dear Lord, open our eyes, mind, heart and spirit to the great mystery of your coming among us in body and staying among us in spirit.. Amen*

## Recently Baptised

*We welcome into our parish Community*

*Vanessa Teresa Gishte, Sebastian Jake Byrne, Parid Patrick Gishte, Enea Canice Gishte, Nate Joseph Tobin, Nikodem Adam Florek, Sadie Rose Carney, Jacob John Cully, Rhys Nathan Leeper, Henry Francis Woodhouse, Holly Grace Kelly, Jamie Matthew Mulligan & Charlie Alexander Jaffray.*



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** prayers are asked for

**Johnny Hennessey and Fiona McLoughlin**

**May They Rest in Peace**

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Parish Shop

*The Parish Shop is open daily after Mass until 11.45am.*

Sat May 27th	7pm	<b>Anniversaries:</b> Lily & Terry Finnegan: Patrick Roe: Edward Harding: Theresa Sherlock <b>Months Mind:</b> Maura McCann: Michael Lunders: <b>Special Intention:</b> The Long Family:
Sun May 28th	9am	
Sun May 28th	10.30am	<b>Anniversaries:</b> Mark Stanley: Catherine Corrigan: <b>Months Mind</b> Maura Mc Cann:
Sun May 28th	12noon	<b>Anniversaries:</b> Marie Walsh: Annie Wade: Mary & Michael Reilly: Mick & Etta Connolly: Liam Canavan: Jacinta Kenny:
Weekday Masses	10am	<b>Sat. May 27th</b> Niall Mc Manus:
	10am	<b>Sat. June 3rd</b> James Curran:



## Reading and Explanation of the Word of God

When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel. Therefore, the readings from the Word of God are to be listened to reverently by everyone, for they are an element of the greatest importance in the Liturgy. Although in the readings from Sacred Scripture, the Word of God is addressed to all people of whatever era and is understandable to them, a fuller understanding and a greater efficaciousness of the word nevertheless fostered by a living commentary on the word, that is, by the Homily, as part of the liturgical action.

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD

If you are aged over 16 yrs and would like to join our team of Ministers of the Word proclaiming the Word of God at weekend Masses, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Fr. Michael on 01-8341051 or you can leave your name and number in the parish office during the week

## Talk to Someone

If you are feeling depressed and cannot talk to a friend or family member, call **SAMARITANS 1800609090** or **Pieta House at 01-6010000.**

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We congratulate the children from St. Canice's Boys School who receive their First Holy Communion today at 12noon. Please remember these children and their parents in your prayers.



## Come and Pray:

The Annual Gathering of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will take place in Clonliffe Church at **8.00 p.m.** on Monday 29th May. This will be an opportunity to pray, reflect and sing together and give thanks for the grace of this important ministry. The music will be led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group.

Ph 1 8087554 or [litsec@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:litsec@dublindiocese.ie)

## RECENTLY MARRIED

*Congratulations to Michael Kavanagh Emma Rattigan*



## PARISH NEWSLETTER

All Items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter should be in the Parish Office by Thursday morning of each week.

Tel: **01-8343110**

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## Finglas Art Exhibition;

Exhibition launch will take place in St. Canice's Church of Ireland Parochial Hall, Church Street, Finglas on Wed. 31st May at 1pm-3pm and 6pm-8pm and again on Thurs 12pm-3pm & 5.30pm- 7.15pm Contact 01-2225400 for details

**FAMILY OFFERING** Envelope Collection for the week of May 21st €1345