

### **PARISH OF FINGLAS**

**CHURCH of St. Canice and St. Margaret** 

#### Corpus Christi

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#### **CORPUS CHRISTI**

This is a story of a Professor attending Mass in Cologne, Germany. After Mass he started chatting to a young Japanese woman. She was doing graduate work in Germany. He asked her whether she was homesick and she replied,

"the Eucharist is my heimat".

'Heimat' in German means home. Home is where our roots are, where we belong, where we are known and free to be ourselves.

Today we celebrate **Corpus Christi**, the feast of the Body of Christ. When we receive Communion we come face to face with Christ, the one who knows and loves us and sets us free to be ourselves. This is what the Japanese woman meant. Jesus gives Himself to us in simple material ways so that with Him we feel at home. He gives himself to us in the breaking of bread, so that we will know how to make each other feel at home.

With Him, there are no strangers.



#### **NOVENA to the SACRED HEART**

began on Thursday 26th at the 10am Mass and will conclude on Friday 3rd June The Novena Prayer will be recited each morning during the morning mass.

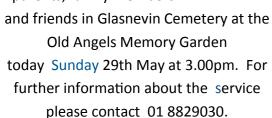


#### **WORLD APOSTOLATE of FATIMA**

A Eucharistic Vigil takes in St. Canice's Church on Friday next, June 3rd, commencing with Exposition at 7.30pm, Holy Hour, Rosary, Blessing of Scapulars and concluding with Mass at 9.30pm.

## Blessing of Remembrance:

A Little Lifetime Foundation is holding a special Blessing of Remembrance for all parents, family members



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#### **FAMILY OFFERING**

Sunday 22nd May €1,658 Thank you for your continued support

#### 9th World Meeting of Families



Pope Francis has chosen Ireland to host the 9th World Meeting of Families during 2018. In 2018,

the 9th World Meeting of Families is expected to attract thousands of Catholic families from around the world to Ireland.

It is hoped that this very special pastoral initiative will present all of us in the Church with the opportunity, and the challenge to renew, support and strengthen Irish families in their commitment to their faith.

Hosting a global event of this size requires a hugh amount of planning and financial outlay of the host country. Accordingly, our bishops have establised a National Finance Committee to provide advice on the financial planning for the World Meeting of Families in Ireland. To support the hosting of this special event three National Church Collections will take place. The first, next week. The second in 2017 and third in 2018. The World Meeting of Families was a pastoral initiative of Pope St. John Paul II. Held every three years, and coordinated by the Pontifical Council for the Family, it is the largest universal gathering of Catholic families and brings together families from all over the world in faith and celebration.

The Collection will replace the Share collection

#### CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK St. Canices Church

#### **READINGS OF THE DAY**

MONDAY May 30th 10am 2Pt 1:2-7. Ps 90:1-2. Mk 12:1-12
TUESDAY May 31st 10am Zeph 3:14-18. Ps Is 12:2-6. Lk 1:39-56

WEDNESDAY June 1st 10am 2 Tm 1:1-3. Mk 12:18-27

THURS June 2nd 10am 2 Tm 2:8-15. Ps 24:4-5. Mk 12:28-34 Friday June 3rd 10am Ez 34:11-16. Ps 22. Lk 15:3-7

SATURDAY June 4th 10am 2 Tm 4:1-8. Ps 70:8-9. Mk 12:38-44

#### Helen Kelly

INTENTION

William & Josephine Gilligan

Intention: All students preparing for exams

# Celebrate the 8th National Pro-Life Gathering

Ever notice that everyone who supports Abortion

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HAS ALREADY BEEN BORN? A National Pro-Life gathering to celebrate the 8th Amendment, Ireland's constitutional protection for unborn babies will take place on Saturday, 4th June from 3-4pm on Molesworth Street Dublin 1. the Celebrate the 8th event will be a

positive and hugely important expression of all that is great about Ireland's Right to Life Amendment. Your presence at this event is vital. To find out more, visit www.prolifecampaign.ie Ph 01-6629275

O God, our Creator, all life is in your hands from conception until death. Help us to cherish our children and to reverence the wonderful privilege of our share in creation. May all people live and die in dignity and love. Bless all those who defend the rights of the unborn, the handicapped and the aged. Enlighten and be merciful toward those who fail to love, and give them peace. Let freedom be tempered by responsibility, integrity and morality. AMEN

### Northern Lights

A Gala Concert of light classical music in aid of Peter McVerry Trust takes place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 8.00pm in the National Concert Hall, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

Tickets €35 / €30 (concession) – Phone: 01 4170000 or Email: info@nch.ie or www.nch.ie

## A PRAYER FOR EVERY DAY

O Lord, we know that we very often worry about the things that may never happen. Help us to live one day at a time, And to live it for you, or your name's sake. Amen.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILATON

The Church encourages us to have a regular practise of celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation as we live our sacramental Eucharistic life. If we have fallen into serious sin, then, of course we should always "go to confession". before we receive Holy Communion. This is the great sacrament of forgiveness that Christ gave to the Church when he said to the apostles on Easter Sunday "receive the Holy Spirit, for those who you forgive, they are forgiven". We hear these reassuring words of absolution as the priest prays, "God the Father of Mercies, send the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins...I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit".

The forgiveness of our sins is the work of the Holy Spirit. Not only does the Holy Spirit forgive all our sins but the spirit also heals the wounds and the sins that others have inflicted on us.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Finglas



Congratulations to the children from Gael Scoil Ui Earcáin who received First Holy Communion yesterday May 28th here in St. Canice's Church!



#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Mary Byrne
Oliver Mates
Marie Walsh
Kathleen Langan

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