



PARISH OF FINGLAS

Vol. 24 Sunday January 8th 2016 No. 6

Baptism of Our Lord



PASTORAL REVIEW 2016 (Part Three) - Parish issues

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL – The Parish Council did much important work behind the scenes in 2016. Among the topics the PPC advised the Parish Priest were Finglas Parishes working together, improvements in celebrating the sacraments, staffing issues, Mass for Deceased Parishioners, Maintenance of church and church grounds, Child Safeguarding, response to isolated sporadic vandalism, Immigrants, World Youth Day, School/Parish Issues, Parish Website/Live Stream, Parish Newsletter, Parish Adoration, Pathways Programme, Easter Ceremonies, Parish Youth Group(COFFY), Baptism Team, New Religious Education Programme in Primary Schools, Pilgrimages designated as Parish organised, Diocesan Computer Systems and the Parish, Deanery Reports,

Child Safeguarding – A major audit was carried out, with a review of procedures. In line with diocesan procedures, Member of the Parish Council Safeguarding committee addressed the people at all Masses on Diocesan Child-safeguarding Sunday, the Parish Council sends representatives of the parish to Deanery meetings, Appreciate the many volunteers but Need for many more volunteers

FINGLAS AREA – 3 Parishes working together , School of the Word, Ministers of the Word, St Canice’s joined in Celebrations of Jubilees in Rivermount in September, Good Friday – Ceremony at the Crucifixion

SCHOOLS – Catholic Schools Week was marked by the Parish Schools in January, a major Extension & Renovation of Kilcoskan National School (Special Education haven) , Grandparents’ Day saw Grandparents invited to the school and Prayer Services , Ash Wednesday – Parish schools (under patronage of Archbishop) & GS Uí Earcáin (under patronage of Foras Pátrúnachta with a Catholic ethos) all came to the church for the blessed Ashes , Grow in Love new Religious education programme being introduced , 2016 Proclamation Day Pageant, Boards of Management (all voluntary), Parents Associations, Graduation Mass and ceremonies, Ms Ann Gannon (GNS retires), St Michael’s (post-primary school) feastday Mass, **ST CANICE’S WEBSITE** – now has a constant Live Feed allowing everyone with an internet service watch our live service, Facebook and Twitter continue to attract visitors, Weekly Newsletter available on the Parish Website frontpage, Parish Radio experienced some difficulties which were repaired, Sound System for Choir Area upgraded with better quality microphones.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK in Merrion Road was attended by some parishioners

HOMELESSNESS - featured in several instances, a Couple and an Albanian woman, were helped with their difficulties. Others were referred to specific agencies like the Legion of Mary and St Vincent De Paul.

2016 ELECTION – saw the return of a weakened coalition. Parties’ stances on important issues including Homelessness, Taxation, Abortion & Catholic Schools were researched

DIOCESAN COMPUTER SYSTEM – Intense work and training courses were undertaken during the year by our Parish Secretary

DIOCESAN MATTERS – which remain to be addressed include the Data Protection Act, and implications arising from the Charities Act, including the installation of a new Till in the Parish Shop to comply with requirements.

FINANCE – The Counters and Collectors continue to provide sterling service. We thank the Garda Síochána for their continuing interest in the safety of people inside and outside the church,

DUBLIN AIRPORT NEW RUNWAY – will affect the St Margaret’s Church and schools environments

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS – Does your name appear on the list of Registered parishioners? Please make sure that you are included.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT – in order to keep going we need a contribution from every parishioner . If you would like to contribute please contact Marie O’Reilly, Parish Secretary, in the Parish office or by phone at 01 8343110, or on email at stcanices2@eircom.net, or on Facebook. Many Thanks!!

NEW VOLUNTEERS are always needed. Please be generous in putting your name forward. A parish is only as strong as the number of active volunteers willing to give of their time and energy.

Saturday Jan 7th	7pm	Anniversaries; Rosaleen & Patrick O Gorman; Elizabeth Mc Hugh; Lorraine Kinehan; Margaret Kenny; Months Mind Fr. Colm Kenny
Sunday Jan 8th	9am	MONTHS MIND Fr. Colm Kenny
	10.30am	Anniversaries; Moyra Cullen; Michael Nugent; Maureen Hiogan; Paddy & Stephen Downes; Maureen & Freddie Richardson Kathleen Hosey ; Mary Newman; Birthday remembrance Anne Dowling. Months Mind Fr. Colm Kenny
Sun Jan 8th	12pm	Anniversaries: Margaret Hartigan; Eddie Mullins; Vincent Mulhall; Eileen O Hanlon; Maureen & Freddie Richardson: Months Mind Fr. Colm Kenny Birthday remembrance Anne Dowling
Mon Jan 9th	10am	Anniversary Charlie & Maura Mc Gauran ; Tuesday Jan 10th 10am Anniversary Joe Meaney - Funeral Mass Martin Murphy
Wed Jan 11th	10am	Anniverdary Joe Archbold Thursday January 12th 10am: Anniversary Cathal O Neill
Friday Jan 13th	10am	Anniversary James Curran Saturday January 24th 10am No Intention



Parish Shop– January Sale

25% of Christmas items in the Parish Shop. Please come in for a browse. Shop open Monday - Sunday after Mass



PARISH SCHOOLS

Parish Schools reopen Monday at 9am

Christmas Dues Envelope

Dues envelopes are being gratefully received. You are kindly asked to prepare your Dues envelope and return to the box in the Sanctuary or hand into the Parish office. The Dues are an important support to Priests of the Diocese. Thank you to all who have returned their envelope



Recently Baptised

We welcome into our Parish Community

Sophie Mary Teresa Heffernan

Lexi Edel Teresa Boyd

Layla May Georgina Millar Cillian Erin Popa

Callum Paul Murphy Laya Delia Geraghty

Emily Melanie Grabska Aidan Sean Richardson

Noah Andrés Lacy Sophia Lily BRannigan

Eve Elizabeth Stubberfield

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

ADORATION WILL RESUME ON Wednesday February 1st

St Canices [Bible Study](#) group meet every **TUESDAY** night at 7.30pm in 2 Grove Rd. All welcome



RECENTLY DECEASED

Your prayers are asked for those recently deceased

Sammy Hope Sarah Johnson

Peter Farrelly

Mary Mc Ardle (funeral Mass Tues @ 10am)

Martin Murphy (funeral Mass Wed @ 10am)

Newsletter is kindly sponsored by Fanagans Funeral Directors Finglas Tel: 01-8345655



Baptism of Our Lord

Today we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord. To be baptised is to take the decision to be fully committed to follow Christ, to choose the path of justice and righteousness and to seek the truth.

Choosing baptism for our children or indeed for ourselves is a serious choice that requires integrity, courage and belief. It is not something we make simply because we feel compelled by social convention or other pressures.

If we choose baptism, we can hope that the whole community will rejoice, and then be there for us in difficult times. This is why Jesus was baptised. He wanted to show his desire to enter fully into the human condition. He wanted to share in the lives of the people he ultimately hoped would follow him.

The Sacrament of Baptism takes place in St. Canices Church on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Bookings can be made by contacting the Parish Office Mon-Fri 9.15-12.30.

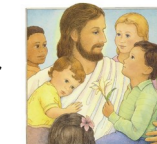
Tel: 8343110

Jesus and the children

People were bringing little children for Jesus to lay his hands on them and pray for them.

The disciples tried to stop them, but Jesus said:

"let the little children come to me: to such as these the kingdom of heaven belongs."



DANCING in the WHITE HOUSE

Bring along your dancing shoes to the White House every Thursday—Waltzing and Jiving—Every week there will be well known artists performing the best of live music . Tickets €10.00. Starts at 9pm. Ph 0870600092