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22 April - Fourth Sunday of Easter

A BETTER OFFER?

A well-known American preacher, Eugene Walsh, once finished off his sermon with the remarkable words, "Jesus only promises you two things: Your life has a meaning. And you're going to live forever. If you get a better offer, take it!"

Much copied by other preachers who disguise them to try and make them their own, these few sentences seem to sum up the whole business of faith in Jesus. They encapsulate the Easter message in a simple and direct way.

So what was Jesus's body like after the resurrection and what is the afterlife like? What will happen to us and will we meet those loved ones who have died before us? Will we see God or will it be total blackout?

People with no faith ask the same questions and they often are left with the desperate trek to mediums and spiritualists who claim to contact the dead and to offer comfort and solace to the bereaved.

St John was aware of all these questions that people ask. The difference for him was that he had an unshakeable faith that Jesus had conquered death and had offered that same glorious post-resurrection life to those who believe in him. He says that what we are to become in the future has not yet been revealed.

So if your life has a meaning, then it is that you were made for love. Made to be loved by God who like a shepherd guides you into a life that will reap benefits. You are made to love others and to have that love returned. Your life's purpose is to grow in knowledge of God and the wonderful universe created for our delectation. You are here to learn how to serve God by serving others, to enjoy life to the full and at the end to join God in the unfathomable happiness that no ear has heard nor eye seen.

This is the promise that the Easter season brings. So, as the man said, if you get a better offer...

Important Notice

Due to Confirmation Ceremony here next Friday, 27th April, for the Boys School, there will be NO 10 am Morning Mass that day.

Weekend Intentions

Along with their families and friends the following people are especially remembered this weekend. This time of the year holds a special significance for all those who knew and who loved them.



6.30 pm – **1.** Max Ryan - Anniversary

(Vigil) **2.** Pat Dryburgh – Special Int.

10.00am – **1.** Kathleen Fisher - Anniversary

2. Karl Kelly - Anniversary

12.30pm – **1.** Maureen & Emily Butler & the deceased members of the Butler & Hogan Families

2. Bernard & Patricia Garrigan and their deceased children Anne, Philip, Bernie & Philomena.

11.15am – **1.** Tom Brazil - Deceased

(Park) **2.** Yvonne McDonald – Anniv

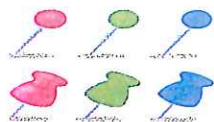
Recently Deceased: Grainne Munnelly

Months Mind: Joan Hickey, Dermot Rigley

Anniversaries: Ann & Thomas Harnett

OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind,
gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we now pray:
[We pause and remember family members and others by name].
Increase our faith,
Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.
This we ask, through Christ our Lord,
Amen



Parish Noticeboard.

Social Welfare Information

Our Social Welfare Information Service takes place in St Brigid's Parish Centre every Tuesday -10.30 am-12.30 pm. Just drop in - no appointment needed.



Novice Bridge Club

Our Novice Bridge Club will take place every Thursday evening from 7.30 pm - 10.00pm (for those playing bridge up to 5 years - assistance given if required). Partners not required.



New members very welcome

New Pilgrim Path

The ecumenical World Community of Christian Meditation (WCCM) continues the work initiated 40 years ago by the Irish Benedictine Monk, John Main, in renewing and sharing the ancient Christian path of contemplative prayer. Thousands of people worldwide meet in small groups to meditate in this ancient tradition. The WCCM website now offers the opportunity to meditate with an online group. Access this, and other rich online spiritual resources, on www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Are you a good listener?

Senior Help Line are looking for men and women aged 55+ to train as phone line volunteers. See notice at back of church for more information or call Anne on 087 7450721.

8th Amendment Update: Foxrock Parish will host **"The Case for the 8th"** on 1 May 2018 in Foxrock Pastoral Centre at 8.00 pm. The speakers will be Irish Times Journalist Breda O' Brien and Journalist John Waters. Admission by ticket only. Admission will be free. Tickets will be available next week. Contact Foxrock for tickets.

Mater Dei Institute have moved to DCU All Hallows Campus, Drumcondra the new home of programmes in theology, philosophy and ethics. You are invited to an Open House Evening on Thurs, 26th April from 6 - 9 pm with a series of short taster lectures and updates. mary.hayes@dcu.ie for more info.

The **Old Dublin Society** next Lecture takes place at 6 pm on Wed, 25th April in Dublin City Library, 138-144 Pearse St. 'Baggott Street Hospital, 60 years ago' presented by Dr Michael Pegum. Admission free.

Tickets for **Parish Raffle** available in the Parish Office. Great prizes. See noticeboard.

St. Brigid's Parish Cabinteely

18th Parish Golf Classic

Thursday 17th May 2018

Old Conna Golf Club

Format: Rumble - 4 person teams - any combination.

Special Prizes - Ladies and Men
Nearest the Pin / Longest Drive

Entry Fee, incl golf and meal -
€300 per team or €75 per person.
Sponsorship of Hole €100

Meal served in Parish Centre -8pm

Prize-giving at 9.30 pm

Some of the Superb team prizes -
Glasson GC - 4 ball + B&B
Ballykisteen GC - 4 ball + B&B
Trump International Doonbeg - 4 ball
Plus lots more.

**Special €10,000 prize for
Hole-in-One - entry fee of €5
before round commences.**

Contact Parish Office 285 8835 to
book your t-time (t-times from 12
noon to 3.30 pm) **three team
lines left!**

World Youth Day Panama - January 2019

Pope Francis has announced that the next World Youth Day will take place in Panama next January 22-27. It is hoped that young people aged 16-29 from the Archdiocese will travel. To find out more or if you have a query you can contact the Office for Evangelisation & Ecumenism via email - evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie

Register now for **'Darkness into Light'**
5 km walk at darknessintolight.ie
Organised by Cabinteely Athletic Club, in aid of Pieta House.
Kilbogget Park - 4.15 am Sat 12th May.

There are a limited number of copies of the Pope's new document **'Rejoice and Be Glad'** available for purchase from the Parish Office at a cost of €5.

