

Ballybrack-Killiney and Loughlinstown Parish Grouping

Newsletter 1st / 2nd June 2019

Mass Times

Saturday:

Killiney & Loughlinstown: 6pm

Sunday:

Ballybrack village 10am; Loughlinstown 11am;

Ballybrack Church of Apostles 12 noon

Weekdays

Ballybrack village: **Mon: 9am, Wed & Fri: 10am**

Church of Apostles: **Tues & Thurs: 10am**

Loughlinstown: **Tues, Wed, & Fri: 930am**

Pope Francis, *The Joy of Love*, 116:

Love hopes all things: Love does not despair of the future. Following upon what has just been said, this phrase speaks of the hope of one who knows that others can change, mature and radiate unexpected beauty and untold potential. This does not mean that everything will change in this life. It does involve realizing that, though things may not always turn out as we wish, God may well make crooked lines straight and draw some good from the evil we endure in this world.

Church Repairs: There were various meetings during the week and more due next week. Hopefully the work will begin at the end of June after all the delays. We did get some good news: the Gubay Foundation has granted us €50000, for which we are very grateful. Again, since the walls will need 18 months to dry out before re-plastering and painting, couples intending to marry are being advised to choose another church for their wedding. Baptisms in July and August will probably be held in the Church of the Apostles.

CDs of our recent sung **Mass of Sts Alphonsus and Columba** are now available in the sacristy for €10. The recording quality is excellent and we are very grateful to Carmel and Brendan Keogh for organising the production. We would also be very grateful to receive gifts for raffle prizes at both our **JKARA Fundraising Concert** in the **Church of the Apostles** on 26th June at 7.30pm and our **Quiz night** next month. After that, we hope to have a **golf classic** and some other events. Many thanks for all for your support.

All are welcome to the **Month's Mind Mass** for **Mathai Parrappurathu Uthuppan** on Bank Holiday Monday at 11.30am in the Church of the Apostles. Indian refreshments will be served afterwards in the center attached to the church.

There will be a **joint-social evening** with Loughlinstown parish for all parish staff, ministers and volunteers on Friday 7th June, 8pm, at the Community Rooms in Loughlinstown. Parking will be available at St. Columbanus church. Finger food will be provided, but, if desired, please bring your own drinks.

Our second **Healing Service** with **Holy Trinity** and **St. Matthias** Church of Ireland parishes will take place on Tuesday 25th June at the Church of the Apostles at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

It was great to see so many taking part in our **Celebration of Marriage** Mass last weekend. Many thanks to all who prepared it, and decorated the church, especially JP Johnson, Tony Shanahan, and Peter Perrem. The follow-up **Marriage Enrichment** sessions will be on 8th & 15th June, 10am-1pm. Please reserve your places.

There are still some seats available on our **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** from 13th-21st September 2019 (direct flights), led by Fr. Tom and Sr. Consilio Rock from Navan. Cost is €1,695.00 per person sharing (half board). For bookings, please contact Patricia at **MAP Travel** (patricia@maptravel.ie).

The **Sunflower** church gate collection in aid of OL Hospice, Harold's Cross, will be take up after all Masses next weekend. If anyone could donate an hour or two to sell Sunflower pins please contact Ann or Mary at 01-4911072 or fundraising@olh.ie.

There will be a follow-up meeting next week to the recent online **Sacramental Preparation Review**. Those who participated in the review are invited to a meeting to discuss the responses in Johnstown Parish Centre on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. Registration required – please contact Mary Dent at 01-8087533 or mary.dent@dublindiocese.ie.

Many thanks to Michael O'Donovan of **Patrick O'Donovan & Son Funeral Directors**, Sallynoggin, for their very kind donation to support our fundraising drive for the church repairs.

Gone to God: Caitriona (Trina) Colgan (Glenavon Park). May she rest in peace.

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