

# ***Ballybrack-Killiney and Loughlinstown Parish Grouping*** **Newsletter 16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019, St. Patrick's Day.**

## **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*, 107**

Today we recognize that being able to forgive others implies the liberating experience of understanding and forgiving ourselves. Often our mistakes, or criticism we have received from loved ones, can lead to a loss of self-esteem. We become distant from others, avoiding affection and fearful in our interpersonal relationships. Blaming others becomes falsely reassuring. We need to learn to pray over our past history, to accept ourselves, to learn how to live with our limitations, and even to forgive ourselves, in order to have this same attitude towards others.

**Fundraising Campaign:** The latest is that the start date for the repair works has been delayed again until the end of April. This shouldn't affect our First Holy Communion and Fundraising Events in May since the first phase of work will be in the roof space. After that, there will be dust everywhere! Many thanks to all who have returned our blue Fundraising leaflets to help us repair the roof and walls of Sts Alphonsus and Columba church, Ballybrack.

We will be holding a **Fundraiser in *The Graduate***, (Killiney Room), on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March from 8pm. 1 strip of Raffle Tickets for €5, and 3 for €12. Entry fee €10. If you would like to sponsor a prize, please contact Fundraising2829@gmail.com. Many thanks to the organisers and to you for supporting this event.

The first performance of the **sung Mass of Sts. Alphonsus and Columba**, newly-composed by Carmel Keogh, will take place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm in the church of Sts. Alphonsus and Columba. This Mass has been specially composed for the fundraising project to repair our Ballybrack village church, one of South County Dublin's most beautiful, and it will be followed by a small reception. Suggested donation at the Mass: €25 please.

Are you interested in our **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** from 13<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> September 2019 with MAP Travel (direct flights)? It will be led by Fr. Tom and Sr. Consilio Rock from Meath. Based in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee and in Jerusalem, we will walk in the footsteps of Jesus, visiting Cana, Mount Tabor, Capernaum, Nazareth, the Jordan and Jericho, the Via Dolorosa, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Western Wall of the Temple, Qumran, and the church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. The cost is €1,695.00 per person sharing (half board) and the deposit is €250. For booking forms, please contact Fr. Tom. More information from Patricia at **MAP Travel** (patricia@maptravel.ie) or see the MAP Travel website <https://maptravel.ie/tours-products/pilgrimage-holy-land-1>. All welcome, even if they don't live in the parish grouping, and Sr Consilio will be bringing along a small group from Meath.

Our **Safeguarding Information** session for staff, ministers and volunteers in the parish grouping will be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 7pm in the Church of the Apostles and the Diocesan Child Safeguarding & Protection Service will provide the training. The annual safeguarding audit is almost complete and some will have to renew their training and Garda vetting soon (every 3 years).

Are you **Fasting in Lent**? Why not (Pope Francis):

Fast from hurting words, and say kind words;  
Fast from sadness, and be filled with gratitude;  
Fast from anger, and be filled with patience;  
Fast from pessimism, and be filled with hope;  
Fast from worries, and have trust in God;  
Fast from complaints, and contemplate simplicity;  
Fast from pressure, and be prayerful;  
Fast from bitterness, and fill your hearts with joy;  
Fast from selfishness, and be compassionate to others;  
Fast from grudges, and be reconciled;  
Fast from words, and be silent so you can listen?

The Dublin Diocese **Pilgrimage to Knock** will take place on Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> and will be led by Archbishop Martin.

We will have a **speaker from Trocaire** at the Ballybrack/Killiney Masses next weekend to encourage us to share our bread with the hungry.

***Happy St. Patrick's Day!***

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