

## WEEK DIARY - Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan/Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2012

### Saturday 14 Jan:

- 6.30pm Mass – anniversary of  
Thomas Culhane

### Sunday 15 Jan: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9.00am Mass - anniversary of Seán O Trasaigh
- 10.30am Family Mass – anniversary of Ned Stuart
- 12.00 Noon Mass - for all parishioners and those attending Mass in St. Fintan's
- 6.30pm Mass – First anniversary of  
Jim McGranaghan

### Monday 16 Jan: St. Fursa, abbot and missionary

- 7.30am Mass – for Bridie Rowley, recently deceased
- 10.0am Mass – Funeral Mass for Blossom Gannon

### Tuesday 17 Jan: St. Anthony, abbot

- 7.30am Mass - for Special Intention
- 10.00am Mass - for Mary Flanagan, recently deceased

### Wednesday 18 Jan:

- 7.30am Mass - for Joe Ryder, recently deceased
- 10.00am Mass – anniversaries of  
Mollie and Tim Wrafter

### Thursday 19 Jan:

- 7.30am Mass - for Kathleen MacCaughey, recently deceased
- 10.00am Mass – for Teresa McNamara, recently deceased

### Friday 20 Jan: St. Fabian, pope and martyr;

#### St. Sebastian, martyr

- 7.30am Mass – for Special Intention
- 10.00am Mass – anniversary of Kevin Allman

### Saturday 21 Jan: St. Agnes, virgin and martyr

- 10.00am Mass – anniversary of Jack Barry
- 6.30pm Mass - anniversary of  
Pauline Nangle

### Sunday 22 Jan: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9.00am Mass - anniversary of Máire Cassin
- 10.30am Family Mass - anniversary of,  
Cora O'Neill
- 12.00 Noon Mass - for all parishioners and those attending Mass in St. Fintan's
- 6.30pm Mass - anniversary of Eveleen Ryan

## WE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:

- + Raymond McLoughlin of Carrickbrack Heath and Blossom Gannon of Offington Drive, who died during the week.
- + Frances Somers (new Waldron); George Galloway; Máire Hayden; Seamus Hayden; Nuala Sheahan; Lil McCracken; Fr. Tommy McCracken, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

## CHURCH READERS – WEEKDAY MASSES:

The following are listed to read at  
10.00a.m. Masses – 16<sup>th</sup> January/21<sup>st</sup> January:  
Monday: Maurice Flynn  
Tuesday: Len O'Reilly  
Wednesday: Aidan Hilliard  
Thursday: James Daly  
Friday: Sr. Sinéad  
Saturday: Dermot Quinn

## WEEKEND MASSES: Sat./Sun. 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> January:

Saturday 6.30p.m.: J. Quinn  
Sunday 9.00a.m.: Mairéad UiDhomhnaill  
Sunday 10.30a.m.: Family Mass Reader  
Sunday 12 noon: Sr. Sinéad  
Sunday 6.30p.m.: A. Quinn

KEEP FIT CLASSES resume in the Parish Centre on Thursday 26 January at 11.30am.  
Enquires: K, at 086 8888755

A PUBLIC LECTURE will be given in Gardiner Street Church on Monday 30 January at 7.30pm by Fr. Brian Grogan SJ on his book "Where to From Here?" – The Christian Vision of Life After Death (Veritas 2012.) Admission free, donation welcome. Convivial cuppa to follow. The book will be on sale at €14.00.

ST. FINTAN'S NATIONAL SCHOOL has started enrolments for junior infants 2012. Application forms are available from the School Office.

ELIJAH – The Guinness Choir and RTÉ Concert Orchestra will perform Elijah on 28th January at 8.00pm in the RDS Concert Hall, Ballsbridge. Tickets €25. Tel 086 8818044 or email: guinnesschoir@gmail.com

PARISH BAPTISM TEAM – Baptism marks initiation into the Christian community. By asking for baptism for their child, parents recognise that God is part of their life and of their decision making. The parish Baptism team welcomes and prepares families for the sacrament of



Baptism. The team facilitates a pre-Baptism preparation meeting on the fourth Monday of each month. Members of the team also assist on the day of Baptism. If you are interested in becoming involved in this joyful and worthwhile ministry then please contact the parish office – 8392001.

BEANN EADAIR GAA and Dublin GAA are proud to welcome the Sam Maguire Cup and some Dublin senior players to St. Fintan's NS, The Burrow NS and Scoil Mhuire NS next Wednesday morning 18th January.

MEDUGORJE 2012 – A pilgrimage to Medugorje will take place from 23rd June to 30th June. Price €669, reduced to €619, if paid before 14th February. €40 deposit will secure a place. For further details, please contact Maureen Maher on 0872073406 or 01 8324063.

## Weekend Church Collections 7th/8th January

First Collection: €1,864 (down 4.2% on previous week and up 6.8% on average)

Share Collection: €1,339 (up 5.8% on previous week and up 18.8% on average)

We thank everybody for their continued support and generosity, especially in these difficult financial times.

## CHRISTMAS DUES

Fr. John and Fr. Liam would like to thank all those who have returned their Christmas Dues envelopes. It is much appreciated.

PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE – The next meeting will take place on Monday 16 January at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL – The next meeting of the PPC will take place on Monday 23 January at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.



OUR NEXT MASS IN PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT SUNDAY JANUARY 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30pm IN THE CHURCH.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY  
18-25 JANUARY 2012.

The theme of the week of prayer for Christian Unity 2012 – "We will all be Changed" – comes to us from the churches in Poland, who have reflected upon their own experience as a nation, and in particular how, as a nation, they have been changed and transformed by the many upheavals of their history, and sustained by their faith. Change is also at the heart of the ecumenical movement. When we pray for the unity of the church we are praying that the churches that we know and which are so familiar to us will change as they conform more closely to Christ. Indeed, when we pray for this transforming unity we are also praying for change in the world.

To mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, daily leaflets, offering a different reflection for each day of prayer, will be available at the back of the church from Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. Please bring one home each day and share in the week of prayer.

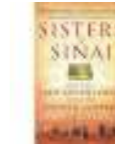
SANTA SABINA, Dominican College, Sutton will celebrate their centenary in September 2012. They are appealing to all past pupils to send them information and photographs that will help them put together a booklet to mark the centenary. There is a link on the school website [www.santasabina.ie](http://www.santasabina.ie) that will allow access to a questionnaire which focuses on specific areas about which they need information. Alternatively, general memories and photographs can be sent to [centenary@santasabina.ie](mailto:centenary@santasabina.ie).



TALKING WITH YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT MASS  
DO THIS IN MEMORY - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME-

WEEK 17 - THE HOMILY - We all sit down to listen to what the priest has to say about the readings we have heard and how we might be able to put this into practice in our everyday lives. We call this the homily. The priest normally stands at the ambo to give the homily. At the end of the homily the priest may sit down and we can spend a few minutes in quiet prayer. This time lets us think about what the priest has said and ask God to help us to live as he would want us to.

PARISH BOOK CLUB – JANUARY BOOK OF THE MONTH – SISTERS OF SINAI – Janet Soskice - During the month of January we will be reading *Sisters of Sinai* by Janet Soskice. This rattling adventure tells the story of how Scottish twin sisters made



one of the most important manuscript finds of the nineteenth century – an early copy of the Gospels which lay hidden in the Sinai desert. We will be meeting on Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the parish centre for an informal chat and discussion about the book. All are welcome. For more information please contact James in the parish office 8392001.

## YOUTH NEWS



POPE BENEDICT XVI'S WORLD DAY OF PEACE MESSAGE 2012.

This year's message – Educating Young People in Justice and Peace – was addressed to young people as well as parents, families and all those involved in the area of education and formation. In his inspiring message, the Holy Father assures young people that, 'You are a precious gift for society. Be confident in your youth and its profound desires for happiness, truth, beauty and genuine love! Live fully this time in your life so rich and so full of enthusiasm. Realize that you yourselves are an example and an inspiration to adults, even more so to the extent that you seek to overcome injustice and corruption and strive to build a better future. Be aware of your potential; never become self-centered but work for a brighter future for all. You are never alone. The Church has confidence in you, follows you, encourages you and wishes to offer you the most precious gift she has: the opportunity to raise your eyes to God, to encounter Jesus Christ, who is himself justice and peace.' The full text of the message is available at [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

YOUTH 2000 PRAYER MEETING takes place every Monday 8-9pm in the Shalom room, Portmarnock Parish Centre, St. Anne's Church, Portmarnock.

Ages 16-35yrs. All Welcome. Contact: [y2kportmarnock@gmail.com](mailto:y2kportmarnock@gmail.com). Visit [Youth2000.ie](http://Youth2000.ie)