

WEEK DIARY – 7th Aug /14th Aug 2010

Sat. 07 Aug:

- **6.30p.m. Mass** – anniversary of Brendan Menton

Sun. 08 Aug:

- **9.00a.m. Mass** – Month's Mind of Seán Cannon
- **10.30a.m. Family Mass** – anniversary of John Brophy
- **12.00 Noon Mass** — for all parishioners and those attending Mass in St. Fintan's
- **6.30p.m. Mass** – Month's Mind of Lt. Col. Maurice Shanahan

Note: No 7.30a.m. Mass 1st July to 3rd Sept. (incl.)

Mon. 09 Aug: Sr. Teresa Benedict of the Cross

- **10.00a.m. Mass** – for Mary Shiel, recently deceased

Tues. 10 Aug: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

- **10.00a.m. Mass** – for Paddy Harte, recently deceased

Wed. 11 Aug:

- **10.00a.m. Mass** – anniversaries of Frederick & Margaret Chiplean & Paddy Maxwell

Thurs. 12 Aug:

- **10.00a.m. Mass** – for Jinnie Denvir, recently deceased

Fri. 13 Aug:

- **10.00a.m. Mass** – Mass of Thanksgiving

Sat. 14 Aug:

- **10.00a.m. Mass** – First anniversary of Jim Fitzgerald

CANADIAN CHOIR TO VISIT HOWTH IN AUGUST

Howth Parish are preparing to welcome some Canadian visitors in August. **The Elk Point Community Choir** came into being in February 1990 and provides its membership with wonderful fellowship and the opportunity to share their gifts of music. They sing 'For the Joy of It'. Their repertoire ranges from Broadway hits, Modern, Gospel and Classical music. **On Sunday 15th August**, the choir will present an evening of mixed, classical and sacred music in the **Church of the Assumption, Howth at 8.00 p.m.**

SUTTON TIDY TOWNS

Please support us in our efforts to keep Sutton tidy. We meet every **Monday evening at 7.30pm in the Marine Hotel car park.** Just a gentle reminder to check the paths and pavements outside your own property for weeds, etc. As the ad says 'Every little helps!'

CHURCH READERS - WEEKDAY MASSES:

The following are listed to read at **10.00a.m. Masses – 9th August/14th August:**

Monday: Jim Whelan
Tuesday: Ray Doherty
Wednesday: John Kavanagh
Thursday: Dermot Ward
Friday: Kay Nagle
Saturday: Colm Price

WEEKEND MASSES: Sat./Sun. 14th/15th August :

Saturday 6.30p.m.: N. O'Brien
Sunday 9.00a.m.: Brendán Ó Lionnáin
Sunday 10.30a.m.: G. Wall
Sunday 12 noon: P. Flanagan
Sunday 6.30p.m.: M. Hickey

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL – 12th-15th AUGUST

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, **Clonmacnoise**, Co. Offaly, for young people age 16- 35 years. The weekend will include inspiring talks, dramas, Mass and workshops. This is a donation only retreat. For more information refer to Youth 2000 Ireland on www.youth2000.ie.

ART EXHIBITION – FRIENDS OF ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE

An Art Exhibition will take place in The Court House, Howth on **Sat 4th/Sun 5th Sept** from 10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. There will be a raffle in aid of St. Francis Hospice, Raheny. **Admission is free. All are welcome.**

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDUGORJE

The Parish pilgrimage to Medugorje will depart from Dublin on **Saturday 16th Oct 2010**. Price €569, fully inclusive for 7 nights.

Spiritual Director: Fr. Liam Lawton.

For further details contact Maureen Maher, Tel: 01 8324063/087 2073406

IRISH GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

The annual church-gate collection in aid of the Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind takes place after all Masses **this weekend, Sat 7th/Sun 8th August.**

CENTRAL REMEDIAL CLINIC

The annual church-gate collection in aid of the Central Remedial Clinic will take place after all Masses **next weekend, Sat 14th/Sun 15th August.**

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT de PAUL – ANNUAL CLOTHING APPEAL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul Annual Clothing Appeal will take place on **14th/15th August** with the **distribution of bags.**

The collection of bags will take place on **Sunday 22nd August - after morning Masses only.**

NO 7.30A.M. MASS 1ST JULY - 3RD SEPTEMBER

Please note that there will be **no 7.30a.m.** Mass from 1st July until 3rd September, both dates inclusive.

Weekend Church Collections

From recent conversations it is clear that there may still be some confusion about the use to which the weekend Mass collections are applied. The proceeds of this weekly collection here in St. Fintan's have fallen recently and I have been told that this is because of a mistaken belief that the fund is used for child abuse costs.

The **First Collection** goes into the Diocesan Common Fund from which all Diocesan priests and priests with Diocesan appointments are remunerated. This includes retired priests, priests working or studying abroad and priests who are ill. Likewise, the Christmas and Easter Dues form part of this Common Fund. **NONE** of this money is used for compensation, fees or charges relating to child sexual abuse claims.

The **Second Collection** goes to the Diocesan Share Fund which is used to help parishes which do not have the resources to build or maintain their essential buildings and it also supports, in part, the Diocesan Administration expenses. This money is **NOT** used for child sexual abuse claims.

Weekend 31 July/01 Aug

First Collection: €1,574 (down 1.5% on average Jan-July)

Share Collection: €1,142 (down 2.4% on average Jan-July)

We thank everybody for their continued support and generosity especially in these recessionary times.

Fr. John

FROM THE PROPERTY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Toilet Facilities for the Disabled – one of the toilets in the Parish Centre is to be converted into a wheelchair accessible toilet to serve both the church and the Parish Centre.

Heating of the Bookshop/Reception – we are seeking advice on how best to heat this area. If there is a parishioner who has expertise in this field we would ask him or her to contact the Parish Office.

The Weekend Mass collections are gradually declining since the start of the year. The average for the first collection over the period Jan.-Aug. 2010 is down over 10% on the period Oct.-Dec. 2009. It was therefore decided to publish the collection totals for the previous weekend.

LEGION OF MARY – VIGIL - SATURDAY 14TH AUGUST

A Holy Hour, concluding with Benediction, for the Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, will take place after the **6.30 p.m. Mass on Sat 14th August.** **All are very welcome.**



DISCOVERING ROME 28th Sept - 3rd Oct.

A trip to Rome is being organised departing on **Tuesday 28th Sept. and returning on Sunday Oct. 3rd**. This trip offers an opportunity to gain a unique insight into the origins and life of Rome and Vatican City. We will also have plenty of opportunities to socialise and experience the delights of Roman restaurants by night. The trip will be lead by **Mgr. John Fitzpatrick, Episcopal Vicar.** **Application form and brochure available in the Sutton Parish Office.**



YEAR OF EVANGELISATION – ST LUKE LOOKING AHEAD TO THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY (15th August) Luke 1:39-56. (Pages 10-11 Special Edition of The Gospel of Luke)

This [feast](#) celebrates the [happy](#) departure of [Mary](#) from this [life](#) and the assumption of Mary's body into [heaven](#). It is the principal [feast](#) of the [Blessed Virgin](#).

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospels

1 The story of the Visitation is a story of two pregnant women reaching out to one another. For those of you who are mothers, perhaps you have been in that situation. What blessings do you recall in such encounters?
2 The story and the song of Mary are both celebrating the work of God in their lives. When have you been particularly grateful for what was happening in your life? How did you express and celebrate your thanks?
3 Mary is praised for believing that God's promise to her would be fulfilled. How has your trust in God's promise to be with you helped you in your life?
4 Read the *Magnificat* a few times slowly and let your attention stay with whatever words or phrase you are drawn to. Place yourself in the position of the one saying the prayer. Let it be your prayer of thanksgiving for your own life.

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EMMAUS RETREAT AND CONFERENCE CENTRE

This centre, in Lissenhall, Swords, offers a wide range of retreats and workshops.. Our programme for **September to December** is now available.

Please refer to our web site www.emmauscentre.ie or email: emmauscentre@emmauscentre.ie