



St. Brendan's Marist Parish
Coolock Village, Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)
Sunday 8th April 2018
Divine Mercy Sunday



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FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35

Responsorial Psalm 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24

SECOND READING John 5:1-6

GOSPEL John 20:19-31

CONFIRMATION

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in St. Brendan's on
Thursday 19th April 2018 at 11 am**

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

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Tuesday – Friday 9.00 am – 11.30 am

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday: 6.30 pm (vigil), Sunday: 9.30 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm, & 6.30 pm

Reflection on today's Readings

Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed! Jesus is clear in his words to Saint Thomas. On the other hand, he accepts the doubts of Thomas, allows Thomas to touch Him and continues to be the friend of Thomas.

There are so many ways in which we could be closer to our Lord Jesus. We cannot do everything at once. Like Thomas, we must accept our defects and also acknowledge them before the Lord.

The first reading today is from the Acts of the Apostles and the basic teaching is this: The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and they had everything in common.

We also know that this ideal state did not last for long before some began to withdraw from it or even to misuse it. There are still religious communities today which try to live this way. Most of us, however, share our goods with the causes that we find to be good. Sometimes it is good to reflect that God shares Himself with both the good and the evil. God gives to all.

The second reading is from the First Letter of Saint John. The words that might touch us deeply today are these: "The love of God is this, that we keep his commandments." Today so many people reject any kind of commandment, any kind of imposition from without. If we ever want to know God, we must be open to allowing Him into our hearts. God always brings commandments of one type or another. If there are no commandments, then we are deluding ourselves about God.

Today's Gospel is from Saint John. Jesus has just been raised from the dead. Now Jesus begins to appear to various of his followers. He appears to His disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit. This Gospel relates to us that Thomas was not present and would not believe the testimony of those who were. This Thomas is hard headed. So are so many of us today. We find it difficult to accept the testimony of others, especially if we have doubts about what they are saying. We want to see and touch and decide on our own and not just believe because someone else told me so. This lack of faith has always been present, both within the Church and outside the Church.

Our Christian faith is handed down by others. We come to know Christ, normally, from the testimony of others. We can accept the New Testament writing about Christ, but all of them are the testimony of others.

This first week of the Resurrection, we place our lives and our faith in the hands of others and ask that they may learn and we may learn: all for the glory of God.

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. We have places for 30 young people aged 16-19 from the Archdiocese to take up Pope Francis' invitation to meet him in Panama. To find out more or if you have a query you can contact the Office for Evangelisation & Ecumenism via email - wyd@dublindiocese.ie / www.evangelisation.ie

Upcoming Referendum on the 8th Amendment

**Protect the 8th Conference at Clontarf Castle Dublin on Wednesday April 11th at 7:30pm.
Speakers: Niamh Uí Bhriain of Life Institute, John Waters, Declan Ganley and Vicky
Wall of Every Life Counts. All welcome!**

Sunday 8th April
Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday

6.30pm	Paddy Dunne	A
Vigil	Joan Ryan	A
	Michael Courtney	A
	Jimmy Murphy	A
	Teresa Hayes	RD
9.30am	Jerry Sweeney	RIP
	Chrissie & Andy Tier	A
11am	Michael Stone	A
	Bridget O'Boyle	RD
	Dan O'Callaghan	RIP
12.30pm	Angela Nolan	MM
	Sr. Angela Hennessy	MM
	Henrietta Farren	MM
	Stephen Farren	A
	Philly Moriarty	A(1st)
	Billy Turnbull	A(1st)
	Letty & Andy Fitzpatrick	A
	Thomas Scully	A
6.30pm	Special Intention	

Monday, 9th:

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Patrick O'Connor	A

Tuesday, 10th:

8am	Billy Turnbull	A(1st)
	Deceased Members of the Byrne family	
10am	Bridie Morgan	A

Wed., 11th:

8am	Michael & Mary Geraghty	A
10am	Jack Treacy	A

Thursday, 12th:

8am	Nicola & Peter Noone	RIP
10am	Peter McDermott	RD

Friday, 13th:

8am	Deceased Members of the Noone family	
10am	Peter McDermott	RD

Saturday, 14th:

10am	Gerard O'Brien	RD
12 noon	Baptisms	

Sunday 15th April
Third Sunday of Easter

6.30pm	Patrick Caul	RIP
vigil		
9.30am	Denis Curtain	RD
11am	Denis Mason	A
12.30pm	Victor Boston	MM
	Dermot Gannon	A(1st)
	Pearse Lally	A(1st)
	Anne Maguire	A
	Nancy Boland	RIP
6.30pm	Donny O'Neill	RD

KARE Social Services

KARE Social Services is a locally based community service that provides meals on wheels in the following areas of Killester, Artane, Raheny, Edenmore, Donaghmede and Kilbarrack. Would you like to avail of our meals on wheels service?

For further information please contact Catherine on 01 805 8574.

Volunteer Drivers Wanted For Meals On Wheels
 Can you spare one hour per week, Monday to Friday?
 We are currently seeking volunteer drivers in the Dublin 5, 7, 11 and 15 areas.

Visit our website: www.karesocialservices.ie
 or Tel: 01 805 8574

Trocaire Boxes

If you have not already returned your Trocaire Box, please do so now, to the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2018
Final Payment is now due

"Would you spend some time with me"

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from after 12.30 pm Mass each Sunday, concluding with **Rosary & Benediction at 5 pm.**

Weekday Exposition
 Mon. to Thurs. from 3pm to 5.30pm.

Pope Francis on Abortion and the Right to Life

“It is necessary to reaffirm our solid opposition to any direct offense against life, especially when innocent and defenceless, and the unborn child in its mother’s womb is the quintessence of innocence. Let us remember the words of Vatican Council II: *“Therefore from the moment of its conception life must be guarded with the greatest care while abortion and infanticide are unspeakable crimes.”*”

Baptism Meeting

A meeting of the **Baptism Team** and the parents of children for Baptism in the month of April will take place in the Parish Centre on
Tuesday, 10th April at 8pm.

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018

God our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in your Son,
One family, in 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
Pause to remember family members and others.
Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love.
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we may share.
This we ask through Christ our Lord,
Amen

Mary, mother and guide,	pray for us.
Saint Joseph, father and protector,	pray for us.
Saints Joachim and Anne,	pray for us.
Saints Louis and Zelig Martin,	pray for us.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

The monthly outdoor Collection for the **St. Vincent De Paul Society** will take place after all Masses this weekend 7th & 8th April
Last month’s collection amounted to
€2,435.00
Thank you for your continued support

Mercy Centre, St. Brendan’s Drive,
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[**mercycentrecoolock@gmail.com**](mailto:mercycentrecoolock@gmail.com)

HOMELESSNESS

We all know homelessness is a major problem in Dublin today. Alice will tell us about the work of the Trust founded in 1975 and how they are still endeavouring to assist the homeless. All Welcome **No Charge**
Mon. 16th April. 10.30am-12.30pm
Alice Leahy

DANCE MEDITATION

(4 Sessions €35) or €10 per session
Experience the beauty, joy and peacefulness of dancing in a circle to inspiring music.
Bring a friend
Thurs. 19th April. 7.30pm – 9.30pm
Barbara Perry chf

Feast of the Divine Mercy today (Sunday) in St. Joseph Church, Bonnybrook.

Confessions: 2.15 pm, Chaplet: 2.30 pm
Rosary: 2.45 pm. Mass at 3pm
Fr. Des McNaboe.

WMOF 2018 Committee

The World Meeting of Families Parish Committee Meeting will take place in the Parish House on **Thursday, 12th April at 3.30pm.**

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

A meeting of the Parish Pastoral Committee will take place on **Wednesday, 18th April** at 7.30pm in the Parish House.