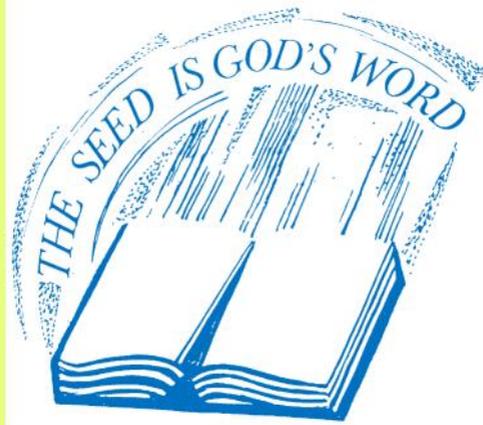




St. Brendan's Marist Parish
Coolock Village, Dublin 5
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)
Sunday, 16th July, 2017
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm Ps 64:10-14

SECOND READING Romans 8:18-23

GOSPEL Matthew 13:1-23

Parish Mission Statement

“St Brendan’s is a caring Catholic Parish inspired by the Gospel, celebrating and working together to build a community of justice, love and peace.”

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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

Sunday 16th July: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.30pm	Charlie & Chrissie Nolan	A
vigil	Jimmy & Philly Moore	A
	Patrick Cleary	A
9.30am	Treasa Macken	A
	Tony Treacy	RIP
11am	Johnny Hilliard	A(1st)
	Leo O'Neill	A
	Fr. Sean Fagan S.M.	A
12.30pm	Phyllis Dunne	MM
	Ann Gibson	A(1st)
	Thomas Lowth	A
	For those who sympathised with the family of the late Liam Tallon.	
6.30pm	Denise Beck	RD

Monday, 17th July:

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Albert Keegan	A
	Dorothy Wilson	A
	Special Intention	

Tuesday, 18th July:

8am	John Baker	A
10am	Tony Treacy	RIP
	Mary & Jimmy Horsley	A

Wednesday, 19th July:

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Special Intention	

Thursday, 20th July:

8am	Freddie McKnight	RD
10am	Special Intention	

Friday, 21st July:

8am	Special Intention	
10am	Special Intention	

Sat., 22nd: St. Mary Magdalene

10am	M. Evans	A
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Sunday 23rd July: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.30pm	Theresa & Vincent Marley	A
vigil	John Comiskey	A
	Phyllis Symes	RIP
	Anne Tallant	RIP
9.30am	Margaret Flynn	RIP
	Paul Flynn	RIP
	Thomas Flynn	RIP
	Megan Flynn	RIP
11am	Joe McCann	A
	Ann Oakes	A
12.30pm	Mary Hanley	MM
	Paula Mlsek	A(1st)
	Michael Reddy	A(1st)
	Nancy Boland	A
6.30pm	Ann Lynch	A

Home Care Workers

Family Carers Ireland is a national voluntary organisation representing Ireland's Family Carers in the home. They are currently seeking Home Care Workers for the delivery of quality in home care services in Dublin. Must hold a 2 QQI Healthcare modules – Care Skills & Care of the Older Person, Patient Moving & Handling training. Excellent communication & interpersonal skills required. We are looking for reliable, trustworthy individuals committed to providing quality person centred care in a home environment.

Garda Clearance necessary. If you meet the criteria, we are interested in hearing from you to fill upcoming vacancies for day, evening and weekend work.

**Please forward CV to Mary Fitzsimons, Family Carers Ireland, Unit 1, Hibernia Building, Heuston South Quarter, Dublin 8
Tel: (01) 6705976.**

“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

The Family Envelope Collection
for last week

amounted to €610.00

Thank you for your continued support towards the family offering. Thanks also to all who collected and counted the money.

"The wife, son, daughter and family of the late

Liam Tallon, Moatfield Avenue

who died on 11th June, 2017 wish to thank all those who sympathised with them, sent Mass cards and attended the funeral.

Many thanks also to their many friends and neighbours who helped them through this difficult time.

Mass is been offered today for their intentions.

**Artane Coolock
Family Resource Centre
55 Gracefield Road
Artane, Dublin 5**

Neck and Shoulder massage workshop. Learn massage techniques from a qualified therapist then give and receive a seated, fully clothed neck and shoulder massage. It costs €10 and places are limited so please book your place in Artane Coolock Family Resource Centre.

Tel: 01- 851 2289



**St. Brendan's
Church Choir**

Would you have an hour and a half on a Wednesday evening from 7:30pm to 9:00pm?

If so, and you like singing, please come along
to the Parish Centre
and join the Choir.

At the June Bishop's Conference Éamonn Meehan from Trócaire updated them on the appalling situation facing the people of East Africa, which has now reached a critical stage.

There are severe food shortages in South Sudan, Somalia, Kenya and Ethiopia brought about by drought and conflict. Over half the population of Somalia (6.2 million people) is experiencing food shortages and malnutrition. There have also been major outbreaks of cholera across the country. South Sudan is on the brink of famine, with drought and conflict affecting millions. Millions of people in south-eastern Ethiopia and northern Kenya are in urgent need of humanitarian assistance. On behalf of Irish Catholics, Trócaire is doing all it possible can - currently helping over 150,000 people across the region with emergency food, water and sanitation.

The need is enormous and the Bishops' Conference is responding by launching an emergency Church Appeal throughout Ireland to take place next weekend

**Saturday 22nd and
Sunday 23rd July 2017**

**St. Joseph's Young
Priests' Society**

wish to thank the parishioners of St. Brendan's Parish for their contribution of **€847** to the Society for the year July 2016 to June 2017.

Newsletter

If you wish to receive a digital copy of our Weekly Newsletter, by email, please send your email address to office@stbrendanscoolock.org

A reflection on today's readings

Today we can ask ourselves: how do I receive the Word of God? Jesus gives us a parable and an explanation in today's Gospel, which comes from Saint Matthew. There are people who don't understand the word of the kingdom and the evil comes and steals away what was sown in the heart. We can hope we are not in that group, but we might be. The second group are those who hear the word and receive it immediately with joy but when difficulties come, these people immediately fall away. Hopefully we are not like that either. There are people who hear the word but then anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. We might be like that but we can hope not. We want to be like the last person mentioned: a person who hears the word and understands it and who bears fruit!

The reality is that probably we belong to each of those various groups at various times. Jesus is not telling us a parable to condemn us but to invite us to change our ways of living so that we can be more consistently in that last group: hearing and responding to the word and bearing fruit in our lives.

We heard in the first reading, from the Prophet Isaiah, that God's word will accomplish the end for which it was sent. This sounds as if it is automatic. Rather than automatic, this word of God will continue to work on us for our whole life, seeking to draw us to the Lord. What lacks is our cooperation. We should not be surprised by that. Instead, we must do our part to cooperate with the word: begin the spiritual combat which means to fight all within us that is against the word. Our Christian life is a life of combat against ourselves and against all the cultural values which are not in accord with the word of God.

The second reading today is from the Letter to the Romans and tells us that actually all of creation is groaning with the desire to be transformed into the new creation. We ourselves have the first fruits of the Spirit within us, yet often we do not respond. So we also groan with all creation, hoping and praying for the complete adoption as children of God and the redemption of our bodies.

This second reading is clear: we are redeemed body and soul. So often today we find those who think that only our soul might be saved. No! Our Creed and our longstanding believe is that we are saved body and soul. Again we have the challenge of spiritual combat both with our "soul" as well as with our "body." Not all that we want or desire is in accord with the will of the Lord. We have to struggle, as does all creation, in order to let God conform us to His will.

Let us give thanks to the Lord for His teachings to us this day. Let us continue to prepare our lives so that we may receive God's word and respond to it. Amen.

Helping Young People to Grow in Faith

Are you a parent, teacher, chaplain – are you interested in young people and their general faith development? If so, see www.shekinah.ie for details of Certificate and Diploma courses accredited by St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. The aim of these courses is to bring the Gospel message to young people in a creative, fun and reflective way. They provide transferrable skills beneficial to parents, teachers and all who work with adolescents.