



*St. Brendan's Parish, Newsletter*  
(Under the care of the Marist Fathers)



***Sunday 7th. November 2010***  
***32nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time***



***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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**Office hours: Tues.— Fri. 9.00 am— 11.30 am**

**Sunday Mass Times**

Saturday. 6.30 vigil,

Sunday . 8.30 am, 10 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm, & 6.30 pm

We are coming to the end of Ordinary Time, the end of the Church Year. Soon we shall be starting with Advent once more. The readings today are really about the resurrection, about a belief in life after our death in this life. The First Reading from the Second Book of Maccabees is so clear in this passage: we are able to face any type of death because we have no fear of death in this life. Death in this life is only the gate to life eternal with God.

Our whole Christian tradition insists that there is a personal life after death for each one of us who believes. We do not have a tradition in which we die and simply disappear into the unity of God. No, we Christians believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. This has been a consistent written tradition going back to the great saints around and slightly before the year 400 AD.

As in today's Gospel from Saint Luke, we can find all kinds of disagreements with this faith and people who try to show that we must be crazy or unreasonable to believe. Jesus, however, in the Gospel, is very clear that God is a God of the living and not of the dead. All who believe are alive in Him.

How often people can say that it would be impossible for God to know the many billions of people who have lived and are living! This only shows our tendency to reduce God down to a sort of enhanced human. God is God. God knows all things at all times and lives beyond all time. God is the God of all that is and is the ground of all being and cause of all being. If we could encompass God with our human minds, God would not be God. We can have some understanding of God, but that understanding is always a dim reflection of the reality of God.

The Second Reading, from the Second Letter to the Thessalonians, asks that the Lord may direct our hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ. Only as we plunge into the love of God can we come to understand a bit the endurance of Christ and His love for us. This is the reality of God. As we come to the end of the Church year, we are invited more and more to believe in all that God has taught us in Jesus Christ and to live as He lived in this world.

In coming to know the love of God, we can believe entirely in the resurrection of the dead and the love that God has for each one of us, individually and personally.

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**Kevin Stynes** wishes to thank all those who sponsored and supported him in the Dublin City Marathon. Kevin ran his 27th. Marathon in aid of Downes Syndrome Ireland. He collected €2,510.00 in the Parish. His time for the Marathon was 3 hrs. 59 sec. and finished 2nd. in his category

**Mount Dillon Court.**  
The monthly Mass in  
Mount Dillon will take place on  
Wednesday 10th. November  
at 3.30 pm **All Welcome**

**Mercy Centre, Tel: 8487259**

**Advent Reflections (4 sessions)**

Scripture, music and quiet prayer  
Wednesday 24th. Nov. 10.30am 12.30pm  
*Maria Kelly & Kathleen Somers*

**Self Help Approach to well – being with Bach Flower Remedies (€30)**

Rescue remedy is one of 38 remedies for all emotional states e.g. fear, loneliness etc. Learn how to choose and mix relevant remedies. The aim of any Bach Flowers Practitioner is to educate people to help themselves.  
Saturday 13th. Nov. 10am—4.30pm  
*Pauline Teague*

**Sunday 7th. 32nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat 6.30pm	Alfie, Ethel, Ollie & Liz Thomas	A
8.30am	Kathleen & Joseph Walsh	A
10.00am	Joseph & Lily Keena	A
11.00am	Kathleen O'Sullivan	A
12.30pm	John Sherlock	A
6.30pm	Deceased members of Coolock Residents Association	

**Monday 8th.**

8.00am	William Synnott	RIP
10.00am	Bridie & James Mulhall	A

**Tuesday 9th. Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

8.00am	Rose & Alfred Coffey	A
10.00am	Deceased members of Scoil Chaitriona Junior School	

**Wed. 10th. St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor of the Church**

8.00am	Jack & Gretta Killeen	A
10.00am	Altar list of the dead	

**Thurs 11th. St. Martin of Tours, bishop**

8.00am	Jenny & Christy Killeen	A
10.00am	Deceased members of McMahon family	

**Fri. 12th. St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr**

8.00am	Liam Oonan	A
10.00am	Jack hand	A

**Sat. 13th.**

10.00am	Mary Immaculate Queen Mass	
	John Aylward	RD

**Sunday 14th. 33rd. Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat. 6.30pm	Ollie & Liz Thomas	A
8.30am	Anthony Kelleher	A
10.00am	Joseph & Lily Keena & deceased family members	
11.00am	Bridget Kavanagh	A
12.30pm	Kay Brennan	MM
	Joan Costello	MM
	Michael Daly	MM
6.30pm	Esther & Leo Breslin	A

**Feast days for the coming week****Tuesday 9th. Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

In Rome it is the 'Mother and Head of all the Churches of the City and the World.' It is the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome, and was called 'St. John' after the two monasteries once attached, dedicated to St. John the Divine and St. John the Baptist. It is however dedicated to the Most Holy Saviour. In the visible building we see shadowed forth the Church, the Bride of Christ.

**Wednesday 10th. St. Leo the Great, pope**

Pope Leo I or Pope Saint Leo the Great (ca. 400 – November 10, 461) was pope from September 29, 440 to his death.

He was an Italian aristocrat, and is the first pope of the Catholic Church to have been called the title "the Great". He is perhaps best known for having met Attila the Hun in 452, persuading him to turn back from his invasion of Italy. He is also a Doctor of the Church.

**Thursday 11th. St. Martin of Tours, Bishop (335-397)**

was Bishop of Tours whose shrine became a famous stopping-point for pilgrims on the road to Santiago de Compostela. Around his name much legendary material accrued and he has become one of the most familiar and recognisable Christian saints. He is considered a spiritual bridge across Europe, given his association with both France and Hungary.

**Friday 12th. St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr (1580-1623)**

Bishop of Polotsk, worked for reunion of Ukrainian Catholics: but his murder by those who opposed it brought about many conversions



**The family Envelope Collection for last two weeks amounted to €2,145.00 Thank you for your continued support towards the family offering. Thanks also to all who collected and counted the money.**

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A meeting of the **Baptism Team** and the parents of children for Baptism will take place in the Parish Centre on **Tuesday 9th. November at 8.00 pm**

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#### **Parish Pastoral.**

The meeting scheduled for Wednesday 10th. November has been deferred to **Wednesday 24th. November** at 7.30 pm in the Parish House.

#### **Mission Sunday**

The amount Collected recently for Mission Sunday amounted to €4,000.00  
Many thanks to all who contributed.

The family of the late **Pauline Lawless, Moatfield Road** wish to thank all those who sympathised, sent Mass Cards and attended the funeral. They wish also to thank the priests of St. Brendan's and the many friends and neighbours who supported them through this very difficult time. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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#### **WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER**

A week of Guided Prayer will take place in St. Brendan's Parish, from 28th. November to 3rd. December  
A week of Guided Prayer is ideally suited to people with a busy life cycle. It involves putting aside some time each day for five days in order to reflect and pray. The retreatant is offered the opportunity to meet a Retreat Guide daily at a time convenient to both.

Applications forms available at back of Church. Further details Sr. Maria Foley 8486420 or Ms Siobhán Murphy 8480052

#### **St. Vincent De Paul Society**

The monthly outdoor Collection for the **St. Vincent De Paul Society** will take place after all Masses next weekend 13th./14th. Nov. Last months collection amounted to €2,320.00  
**Thank you for your continued support**



**The Halleluia Gospel Choir will commence singing at 6.15 pm for the vigil Mass next Saturday night 13th. November**  
**Please come early to enjoy this beautiful Gospel Music.**

#### **Catholic Youth Care**

The annual collection for Catholic Youth Care (the Diocesan Youth Service) will be made at all Masses next weekend 13th./14th. November

Catholic Youth Care supports and services youth work and youth ministry throughout the Dublin Diocese.

**Please give us your support at all Masses next weekend**  
**It will replace the usual SHARE collection**



#### **Ministers of the Word.**



A meeting for readers will take place in the Parish House on Friday next 12th. November at 7 pm

**C**hristmas Novena Cards are now on sale  
Pack of 5 assorted cards €3.00. The Christmas Novena Masses will take place from Monday 13th. December to Tuesday 21st. December.

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The AGM of the Coolock Residents Assoc. will take place on Monday night 8th. November at 8pm. in the Parish Centre. The election of a new committee will take place at this meeting. The Association works on your behalf so please come along and support us.