

## St Michael's Parish Gorey Newsletter 20 August 2017

### ANNUAL PATRON

**takes place in St. Michael's Cemetery Sunday 27th August at 2:30 pm.**

This is our annual day of remembering our loved ones who have died and bringing them before God in prayer. It is a time to think of the many buried in our cemetery who have no one left to pray for them. The usual collection for the upkeep of the cemetery will be held at the cemetery gates.

Our Cemetery is a sacred place where our loved ones are buried and it is our duty to care for their sacred resting places, in a manner that reflects the dignity of the human person and our belief. We are asked to respect these resting places and the graves and property of other people who visit the cemetery. We thank you for showing respect in our Cemetery. Please take care when disposing of wreaths, withered flowers etc. in St Michael's graveyard. Skips are provided for the disposal of rubbish. Please respect the properties of residents bordering the graveyard.

### OUR LADY'S ISLAND

*"The pilgrimage tradition at Our Lady's Island stretches back to earliest Christian times. You are walking in the footsteps of previous generations of men, women and children who have been pilgrims down through the centuries. A pilgrimage is a journey to a sacred place. Our Lady's Island, a place of martyrs, with its long tradition of devotion to Mary, is surely such a place. Bishop Denis Brennan*

Situated near Rosslare, County Wexford, Our Lady's Island has a fascinating history. In the area, remains of a pre-Christian settlement have been discovered over the years, including clay mounds containing human bones and burnt ashes.

In the 6th century, St Abban is believed to have chosen Our Lady's Island as the location for his monastery, and sometime in the following century, it became a place of pilgrimage.

Subsequently, Our Lady's Island housed an Augustinian settlement, and its church still stands today. Visitors can also view Our Lady's Well, and the remains of St Vaughn's Church and a leaning tower that dates from the Norman era.

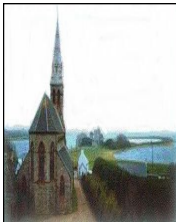
### OUR LADY'S ISLAND PILGRIMAGE 2017 13 August - 8 September

Daily Mass during season 3pm and 8pm, Healing Blessing with oils after 3pm mass. Enquiries: 053-9131023 Mon-Thurs 9am-2pm, or 053-9131235 2-6pm weekdays. [www.ourladysisland.ie](http://www.ourladysisland.ie) Rev. Jim Cogley 053-9131167

### LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE

takes place today (Sunday 20th) leaving St. Michael's Church at 1:00pm for Mass, including Blessing of the Sick, in Our Lady's Island at 3:00pm.

We wish our parishioners a safe and prayerful trip.



### CHURCH ENVELOPES 13 August

CHURCH	AMOUNT	NO. ENV
GOREY	€1,336.03	205
TARA HILL	€137.40	20
2nd Collection	€1,045.78	

### LEAVING CERTIFICATE RESULTS

Congratulations to all of our young Leaving Certificate students who received results this week. We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide them in their choices along the road ahead.

**NEW PILGRIM PATH WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:** "Layer upon layer keeps uncovering, isn't it amazing what meditation enables? It's limitless, all these beginnings..I have been given the kingdom of heaven, yes, but to be led to understand that this is the kingdom of eternal forgiveness is astonishing" These words are from one of the last letters of the late David Wood, Anglican priest and ambassador for Christian meditation. Listen to his engaging and deeply human talks on [www.NewPilgrimPath.ie](http://www.NewPilgrimPath.ie)

**GOREY LITTLE THEATRE GROUP PRESENT:** The Odd Couple by Neil Simon, directed by Stephen Acton every Tues & Thurs in August at 8.30pm. Contact 053 9421474/ 087 9890352

**Parish Office open mornings only this week Mon - Fri from 9.30am - 1.00pm.**

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 2017:** Departs September 20th. 7 nights €709 incl. Spiritual Director Fr. Lawrence O'Connor. €100 deposit to secure seat. Contact Ann Murphy at 087 2254206.

**Parks Tennis:** Marie and Jimmy would like to thank the parents of the children who attended Parks Tennis and thanks to Gorey Community School for the use of their tennis courts.

**STORYTELLING ÁR mBRÉACHA:** The House of Storytelling will be meeting every Tuesday during August from 8:00 - 10:30pm. Special groups can gather by arranging with the Bean an Tí or Fear an Tí. Children welcome. Contact Phil: 0877440904

**GOREY ACTIVE RETIREMENT:** Bus leaving Ashdown Park Hotel for the Youghal break at 10:45am on 28th August. We are having an evening at Enniscorthy Greyhound Racing Stadium on 21st September : €15 including transport, meal & race card. Call to the Loch Garman Arms Hotel on Friday between 11am - 1pm to book your place, and have a cup of coffee.

### St. Michael's Gorey

*This week's Masses include intentions for:*

**Tues 10am:** Margaret & William Doyle & Family  
**Wed 10am:** Ellen Wemyss, Derick Murphy  
**Fri 10am:** Jimmy Norman Kavanagh

**Next Weekend Mass intentions for:**

**6pm:** Mary & William Duncan, Jenny Redmond, Sarah Breen, Bridget Roche, Margaret Bridget Maguire  
**Vigil 7.30pm:** Kathleen Cullen & son in law Des Hennell, Pat McGreal

**10.30am:** Denis Doyle (mm), Michael Dooley (5th anniv), Catherine Levingstone, Michael Devereux, Julia Patchell, Seamus & Annie O'Neill, Angela Swords, Katy & Andy McDonald, Michael & Kathleen Funge  
**12 noon:** Intentions for Deceased of the Parish

### St. Kevin's Tara Hill

**Sun 20 Aug 10.30am:**