

St Michael's Parish Gorey Newsletter 14 January 2018

REFLECTION FOR THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY



Praying always lifts us out of our worries and concerns. It makes us rise above everything that hurts, upsets, or disappoints us, and helps to put ourselves in the place of others, in their shoes. The Family is a school where prayer also reminds us that we are not isolated individuals; we are one and we have a neighbour close at hand: or she is living under the same roof, is a part of our life, and is in need. *Pope Francis, Mass for families, Ecuador, July 6th, 2015*

Everything in life is easier if we have someone on our side who loves us. Prayer is so important because it reminds us of that. Family life isn't easy – just because we live with people doesn't mean we always feel as if they are on our side or that they love us. That's why we need to be patient with our families and ourselves. And we need prayer for that!

This is brought to you by the Diocesan Pastoral Council

ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY Please note that the Icon will arrive in St. Michael's Gorey Tuesday February 6th and remain in St. Michael's until after 10am mass Friday February 9th for anybody wishing to visit same.

The purpose of the Icon visiting is to help encourage reflection and prayer as part of the preparations for WMOF 2018. You're invited to place your intentions in the box provided. Contemplative communities throughout Ireland will pray for the intentions collected and they will also be prayed for at the final mass on August 26th.

TARA HILL—CHURCH ENVELOPES FOR 2018

Church envelopes for 2018 are now available for collection in Tara Hill Church after mass on Sunday. If you would like to contribute to the weekly envelope collection, or are new to the parish, you are more than welcome to come in and collect a box.

The weekly church envelopes represent the main source of income for the running of the parish. We encourage all parishioners to contribute.



WEBSITE of the WEEK At least once a year, in a "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" (from 18th to 24th January in 2018), Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his disciples that "they may be one so that the world may believe" John 17.21). This year's theme is victory over oppression – *That All May Be Free* – and reminds us that ecumenical activity has a purpose beyond itself, in this case proclaiming the great gospel values of liberation and justice. For ecumenical resources to help celebrate this major spiritual event visit www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

CHURCH ENVELOPES 07 Jan

CHURCH	AMOUNT	NO. ENV
GOREY	€ 1,070.26	171
2nd Collection	€1,076.43	

St. Kevin's Tara Hill

Sun 14 Jan 10.30am: Ellis Costello recently deceased, Shiobhan Masterson & her father Michael recently deceased and for all members of the Masterson Family, Clare Gleeson (7th Annv.)

Sun 21 Jan 10.30am: Raymond Spencer

St. Michael's Gorey

This week's Masses include intentions for:

Mon 10am Tommy O'Brien, Special Intention
Tue 7.30 Sarah Harmon
Tue 10.00 Una French John Fleming
Wed 10am: Birthday remembrance, Ann Ahearn
Thurs 10am: Andy Cash (MM) and Michael & Elizabeth Cash, Johnny Kavanagh, Ellen Daly
Fri 10am: James Rooney, Mary Dunne, Elizabeth Doyle, Eileen Molloy
Saturday: Thomas, Annie & Mick Kennedy

Next Weekend Mass intentions for:

Vigil 6pm: Declan (Dee) Quinn
Vigil 7.30pm: Nicholas Byrne, Francis O'Connell, Ellen Leslie, Bartholomen Kenny
12.00 noon Laurence Donnelly, Denis & Sheila Kenny

First anniversary Mass for Cathal Kelly - St Michaels, Saturday next (20th) at 1pm

GOREY ATIVE RETIREMENT: All activities are back on track now after the Christmas break.

We will have the A.G.M. in the Loch Garman Arms on Tuesday 30th January at 2-00 pm.

We hope to see you all there. We are now taking membership fees for 2018 and names and deposits for the Spring Break. We are going to Sligo this year on Sunday 26th May and back on Thursday 31st May. We are available on Fridays in the Loch Garman Arms from 11-00 am to 1-00 pm. New Members are always welcome. **HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR MEMBERS.**

LEGION OF MARY would like all your used postage stamps for a collection for the Missions. Please leave any stamps you have available to the Parish Office. If donating please leave a 1/2 border around each stamp. Thank you.

PRO LIFE CAMPAIGN: Door to Door Training Seminar hosted by the Pro-Life Campaign will take place in the Talbot Hotel next Monday from 7pm - 9.30pm. Whether you are seasoned, new or haven't yet started canvassing, you are all welcome to attend. Call to confirm attendance: John Mullins 087 2383716 or Elizabeth Hogan 087 7922637.

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, GOREY JUNIOR INFANT ENROLMENT DAY: Saturday 20th January from 9am - 12noon in the School. Please come to the School to begin the formal application process. Please bring: the child concerned, 2 passport photographs of the child, child's birth/adoption certificate, baptismal certificate where applicable, copies of any relevant reports - psychological, medical, speech etc., current utility bill as proof of address. It is important to bring all documentation required in order to place in the correct priority group. Places will be allocated within 21 days of enrolment date. If offered a place you will be required to reply in writing by a specific date re acceptance/non acceptance. Further information & enrolment packs can be obtained from the School at 053 9421178.