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St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield
Third Sunday of Lent - B
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You Shall Be My Witnesses – Confirmation 2018



You Shall Be My Witnesses is the Parish Preparation Programme for Confirmation continues for all children this week for all children being Confirmed this year.

The programme for the children continues in the Pastoral Centre on the following dates:

• **Monday 5th March 8 pm - 9 pm**

St. Patrick's Day Sponsored Swim 

The annual Sponsored swim will take place at Portmarnock Strand on St. Patrick's Day at **12 noon** in aid of the Children's Cancer Fund in Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin.

As in previous years, all funds raised goes to help the sick children. Sponsorship cards are available in the Sacristy, the Parish Office, from Shay O'Reilly, Margaret Maher & Irene Killeen. Swimmers will be seeking sponsorship from family, friends, neighbours and workmates.

Last year's swim raised €7,000 and all this money went in support of the Julie Wren Foundation associated with St. John's Cancer Ward in Crumlin.



St. Paul's Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Travelling as part of The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage.
7th- 12th September 2018. Staying in the Agena Hotel.

Cost € 739 Deposit €200 required, non refundable.

Insurance can be added at an additional cost of €29 for under 85 years and €58 for 85 years or over.

Bookings and enquiries to the Parish Office 01 8160984

Coffee Weekend - Postponed

We were hoping to host a Coffee/Tea weekend after all the Masses **this weekend 3rd & 4th March.**

However due to the weather conditions it has been postponed.

All proceeds will go to the
Infant Jesus Sisters' Mission in Nigeria.



We welcome the children who are participating in the **"You Shall Be My Witnesses"** programme and their Parents/Guardians to the 6pm Mass on Saturday 3rd March.

On Sunday 4th, at the 12:30pm Family Mass we welcome the children participating in the **"Do this in Memory"** programme in preparation for First Holy Communion.

Don't forget to get your passport stamped in the Sacristy after mass and collect the current Grapevine edition.

Holy Trinity Parish Donaghmede
Novena of Grace 4th – 12th March 2018



Fr Vincent O'Hara will be the speaker for our annual Novena of Grace.

Sunday 4th March 2018 - 11:30am

Monday 5th to Friday 9th March - 7:30pm

Saturday 10th March 2018 - 6:30pm

Sunday 11th March 2018 - 11:30am

Monday 12th March 2018 - 7:30pm

Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil

Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30 pm

Weekdays : Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am

Service of the Word with Communion : Tuesday 10 am

Trócaire and Lent 2018

This is the 45th year of the Trócaire Lenten Campaign. **Trócaire Boxes** are available on the stands at both doors of the church.

This year our Trócaire box tells the story of Kumba, a seven-year-old girl from Sierra Leone. Six months after the devastating mudslide that destroyed her home and killed over 1,000 people in the area of Freetown where she lives. Only 20% of her community survived.

Launching the Lenten campaign, Eamonn Meehan, Trócaire's executive Director warned that growing numbers of people are being trapped in humanitarian crises.

"At the age of just seven, Kumba has already survived an Ebola outbreak that killed 4,000 people and a mudslide that killed 1,000 people," he said. "Her young life has been spent in an almost constant state of crisis. Tragically, she is far from alone. A seven-year-old in Syria has never known peace; a seven-year-old in Gaza has survived two separate wars; a seven-year-old in South Sudan has experienced both famine and civil war in their short life.

"The Lenten campaign comes at a time when conflict in many parts of the world has left millions of people at risk of famine and disease."

"The work Trócaire does promoting human rights, women's empowerment and access to resources such as land and water is key to building strong and peaceful societies. That work is powered by our annual Lenten appeal. We will use donations to our campaign to support over two million of the poorest and most vulnerable people around the world this year."

"We are incredibly grateful for the support we receive from parishes, schools and families all over Ireland, without whom this work would not be possible" said Eamonn Meehan.



Mass Schedule For Lent:

There is **no change** in the Mass Schedule in St. Paul's parish, Ayrfield for Lent.

- Weekday Mass is at the usual time of 10am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.
- Service of the Word with Communion is held on Tuesday at 10 am.
- Weekend Mass is at 6pm on Saturday (vigil Mass) and at 10:30am & 12:30 pm on Sunday.

For those who wish to attend mass every day during Lent, Fr. Gerry will be celebrating mass on **Saturday morning at 10am** in **Holy Trinity, Donaghmede** and weekday mass is held there at 10am on Tuesdays.

We remember at Mass and in our prayers those who have gone before us



Saturday 3rd (Vigil Mass) 6:00 pm

Peggy O'Shea 3rd Anniversary

Sunday 4th 10:30 am

Annie, Paddy & Michael Lynch Anniversary

Sunday 4th 12:30 pm

Pat Stanley 20th Anniversary

Joe Fitzpatrick Anniversary

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Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the soul of **James Eiffe** recently deceased  
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Wednesday 7th 10:00am

Acknowledgement & thanksgiving for all those who supported the family of The Late Audrey Kane

Thursday 8th 10:00am

Deceased Members of The Delaney & Glennon Families

Friday 9th 10:00am

Deceased Members of The Byrne & Carr Families

May they rest in peace

Monday 5th March is the 1st Monday. 10am mass will be offered for all on the Mass Bouquet List.

As mass was cancelled due to the adverse weather conditions on Friday 2nd March, 10am mass on **Friday 9th** will be offered for all those on the Altar List of the Dead.



Third National Collection for the WMOF2018

taken up at all Masses last weekend amounted to € 775. Thank you for your generosity.

Notice to Coeliacs: *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.*