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**Anam Cara North Dublin.**

An organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its next

monthly Parent Evening on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** from **7:30pm-9:00pm** in the **Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin.**

Anam Cara North Dublin offers a safe and comfortable setting where you can 'drop the mask' and be yourself among people who understand. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether this was recent or not.

***The annual cemetery masses in our area will take place on the following dates:***

<b>Fingal Cemetery Balgriffin</b>	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	12pm
<b>Glasnevin Cemetery</b>	Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	3pm
<b>Old Balgriffin Cemetery</b>	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	12pm
<b>Dardistown Cemetery</b>	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	3pm

**Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018.**



Each year over 170 sick people travel to Lourdes on the Diocesan Pilgrimage which takes place this year on 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> September. Their travel costs are supported through donations to the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office.

The people of the Archdiocese may join the Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes, as Associates, by being enrolled and making a voluntary contribution. The money collected will be devoted to defraying the expenses of the Sick Pilgrims Section. They will receive in return, as Associates, an enrolment leaflet outlining the prayers for Associates.

**Donations will be gratefully received after all Masses over the weekend 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.**

Enrolment sheets containing the names of Associates will be placed at the Grotto during the Pilgrimage. Mass will be offered for all Associates at the Grotto in Lourdes.

**Parish Chaplains:**  
**Fr. Ubaldo Mvhindo & Fr. Dominic Kwinkinza**  
**Parish Office: Sacristy:**  
**01 - 8160984 01 - 8160981**



**St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield**  
**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – B**  
**17<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**www.stpaulsparishayrfield.com**  
**Email : parishofficeayrfield@eircom.net**



**Pastors Desk**

I once knew a parish sister in my home parish who was, with the benefit of hindsight, far ahead of her time. From her many years working as a missionary in Africa, she realised the importance of encouraging parishioners to take on roles in the church.

Several people I know from that time, went on to work in ministry in the Diocese and I know that the advice they got from the parish sister really helped to shape their work in ministry.

Unfortunately, the parish sister did not live to see the fruits of her efforts but I think she would very much approve of the far greater involvement of lay people in the church in recent years which has been facilitated by courses in places like Mater Dei. I thought of her when I read this Sunday's gospel. It speaks about the farmer sowing the seed but not being aware of when and how tall it would grow. I am reminded of words written about Archbishop Oscar Romero, who will be canonised by Pope Francis later this year.

*"We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities. We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that."*

I think that most of us are workers rather than master builders helping to create the kingdom of God in the world that we live in today. We should ask the Holy Spirit to assist us in our work.

Even small gestures on our part can make a big difference in spreading the Gospel whether it is by assisting others, taking time for prayer and reflection or getting involved in the life of our parish. People can be encouraged by the example of our lives and we must never underestimate how a good life, well lived can be a great example to people on their journey of faith.

Let us remember that the seed that we spread in our lives can bear fruit in ways beyond what we can ever imagine.

*Deacon Gerard Reilly*

**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**

The WMOF2018 Fourth National Collection is scheduled to take place in parishes this **weekend 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> June 2018** and will replace the Share Collection.

## Blessing for Fathers on Father's Day



“Dear God, we give thanks for fathers. We recognise the dedication and patience it takes to be a source of compassion and understanding when helping to shape a young life. Bless all fathers in heaven and on earth, especially those who are new in this sacred role. We pray they feel your presence with them. May they know that your strength and wisdom are within them, providing all they need to guide and support their children with kindness and love.”

### Dawn Mass at OLV Ballymun Road

Dawn Mass on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June** at **6.30am** in Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road, Glasnevin.



**KARE Social Services** is a locally based community service that provides meals on wheels in the following areas of **Killester, Artane, Raheny, Edenmore, Donaghmede and Kilbarrack.**

Would you like to avail of our meals on wheels service? For further information please contact Catherine on **01 - 805 8574.**



**The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul** is seeking your help, with its annual appeal for second-hand clothing.

The Distribution of bags will take place this weekend Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June and bags will be available at both entrances to the church. **The appeal is for Clean, good quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc.**

The Society will collect the bags the following weekend on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 6pm mass and on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 10:30am and 12:30pm masses.

The Society is very conscious of the tremendous support given by the Parishioners of this Parish for their charitable works over the years. They would like to thank you all most sincerely on behalf of those you have helped.

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



Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> (Vigil Mass) 6:00 pm  
**Josephine & Josie O'Sullivan** Anniversary

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am  
**Bridie, Eddie & Paul O'Rourke** Anniversary  
**Una & Michael Kelleher** Birthday Rem.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> 12:30 pm  
**Thanksgiving Mass for Family & Friends of the Nowakowshi Family who supported them in the recent loss of their Baby Boy Franciszek.**

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*Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the souls of*  
**Fr. Pdraig O'Saorai, Liam Carter & Michael (Micka) McGrath** recently deceased.  
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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 am  
**Nodlaig Carr** Anniversary

*May they rest in peace*

**RIP Notice:** The Family of former Parish Priest of Ayrfield, Fr. Pdraig O'Saorai would like to inform parishioners of his death. Fr. O'Saorai passed away in Woodlands Nursing Home, Navan on 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

As Fr. O'Saorai used to get so many cards from people all over who remember him and have kept in regular contact his family would like to send a message of appreciation and thanks to parishioners in his former parishes. Fr. O'Saorai was Parish Priest in Ayrfield from 1980 – 1997.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

**Volunteers needed for Aware** Aware, Ireland's leading organisation providing support, education and information services for people impacted by depression, bipolar disorder and related mood conditions, is urgently seeking new volunteers across four services – Support Line, Support Mail, Support & Self Care Groups and Life Skills Online. No prior qualifications or experience is required, as comprehensive training as well as ongoing support and education is provided by the organisation.

For more information on each opportunity, please visit: [www.aware.ie/volunteering](http://www.aware.ie/volunteering) or phone Emma on 01-2374926.

**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.*