



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Fourth Sunday of Easter – C 12th May 2019



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Pastors Desk

The image of the shepherd and the sheep is one that we often encounter in the Scripture readings at mass. Psalm Twenty-Two 'The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want' is one that we are all fairly familiar with. While we may know the psalm we need to ask ourselves how well do we know the shepherd?

In today's gospel Jesus tells us 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, I know them and they follow me'. A sheep knows the voice of the shepherd, and will only respond to that particular voice. But we all know that sheep often stray away from the rest of the flock in search of greener pastures and before long they may become lost and cut off from the watchful eye of the shepherd.

In society there are lots of voices and things fighting for our attention, promising, riches, pleasure or satisfaction. Some of us do find happiness when we are distracted this way. But when we are spiritually healthy we can hear the voice of God in our lives guiding and directing us differently. God sends Shepherds to us, Women and Men to guide us on our way and bring us back to his safe protection when we are lost.

So today, we pray for vocations to religious life and Priesthood. That Women and Men will continue to answer the call in the service of the Lord. That families will support and encourage Daughters and Sons as they seek to discern if they have a vocation as one of his modern-day shepherds.

Lord, inspire Women and Men to give their lives to building your kingdom on earth.

Fr. Gerry.

For the Month of May St. Paul's Parish

would like to invite you to join us each

Tuesday evening at 8:30 pm

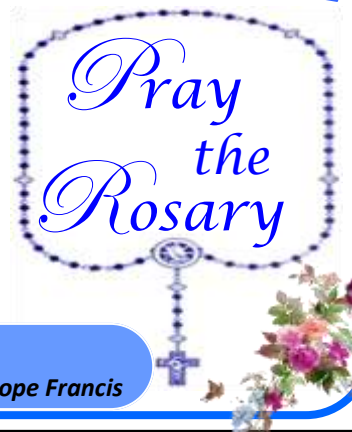
in the Parish Church to

come and pray the Rosary.

St. Paul's Community Choir

will be leading us in singing Hymns to Our Lady.

*Our Lady is always close to us,
especially when we feel the weight of life with all its problems. ~ Pope Francis*



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 10am

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World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2019

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter or Good Shepherd Sunday is a special day for everyone in our parish. We celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We ask that we may be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit as we carry on the mission of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Let us pray for one another that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations as married and single people, priests, deacons, and religious. May our youth listen to God's call and be encouraged to respond generously.



Anam Cara North Dublin,

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 15th of May at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin.** This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.



St Francis of Assisi Church Priorswood

SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP FESTIVAL OF FAITH

From Saturday 18th of May to Sunday 26th of May 2019

Sat 18th & Sat 25th of May 6.00pm

Sun 19th of May & 26th of May - 9.30am & 11.30am

Monday 20th – Friday 24th at 10.00am & 7.30pm

Preachers: Fr Denis Luddy C.S.S.R &

Margie Kennedy. See notice board for more details.

Medjugorje Conference and Day of Prayer with Sr. Briega McKenna

Saturday 31st August 2019 Neptune Stadium, Cork.

Tickets €20.00 available on Eventbrite.ie. Enter discount code EARLYBIRD for discount price of €15.00 available **until 31st May 2019**. All tickets purchased included in entry for free pilgrimage to Medjugorje from Cork or Dublin. Booking fees apply. Contact Sean O'Shaughnessy **086 2959380**

Trócaire Boxes can be returned to the Sacristy.

Easter Dues.

Envelopes can be returned to the church and placed in the boxes provided or given to your Outdoor collector.

St. Vincent De Paul The Society will take up their monthly collection after all masses **this weekend, 11th & 12th May.**

Collection for **Ministry Sunday** will be taken up **next weekend 18th & 19th May** and will replace the Share Collection.

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



Saturday 4th (Vigil Mass) 6:00 pm

Margaret & John Conlon 5th Anniversary
& Deceased Members of the Conlon Family

Peter Kelly Months Mind

Carmel Fahey Months Mind

Helen Burke 4th Anniversary

Sunday 5th 10:30 am

Paul Kallungal 3rd Anniversary

Ursela Vandijk Birthday Remembrance

Sunday 5th 12:30 pm

Liam Doyle 10th Anniversary

Martin Slevin Months Mind

Monty Lonergan Birthday Remembrance

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*Your prayers are also requested for the  
happy repose of the soul of  
**Angela Kearney** recently deceased.*  
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Friday 17th 10:00 am

Margaret, Patrick, Paddy & Tom Reaney
Anniversaries

May they rest in peace

Monday 13th May

Today is the **Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima**

Tuesday 14th May

Today is the **Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle**
Pray the Rosary at 8:30pm in the Church

First Holy Communion

On Saturday next, **18th May** at **11 am**, we will celebrate First Communion when a new generation of boys and girls from St. Paul's Junior School will be able to participate fully in our Eucharistic celebration, the Mass.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



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.*