



MOUNT MERRION PARISH

16th September 2018

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24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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www.mountmerrionparish.ie

YOUNG PEOPLE IN AFRICA

Africa is a wealthy continent, and its greatest, most valuable resource is its young people.

They should be able to choose between letting themselves be overcome by difficulty or transforming the difficulty into an opportunity.

The most effective way to help them in this choice is to invest in their education. If young people don't have the possibility of education, what future can they have?

Let us pray that young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

Pope Francis – September 2018

Watch Pope Francis video in our website:
www.mountmerrionparish.ie

Calling all Young People: Volunteers needed



Would you be interested in participating in the Sunday Youth Mass?

We, at the Youth Group would love to see you, no matter what your talent is, singing, reading, playing an instrument or helping to set up for the mass.

For **TV students**, the Youth Group will qualify for your **Gaisce** assignment.

Make new friends and get experience to add to your CV.

Your community needs you, you can make a valuable contribution.

Please speak to a member of the Youth Group after the **7:30pm Sunday Mass** or email

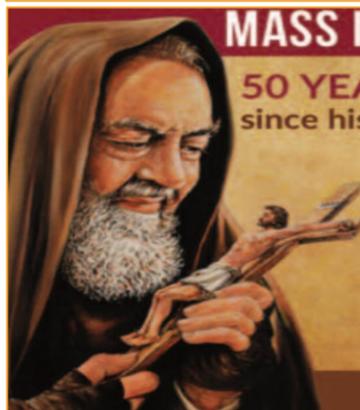
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The parishes of Booterstown and Carysfort with Mount Merrion are having a Coffee Morning and Cake/Bake Sale in St Thomas' Church Hall (the Monk Gibbon Hall) on Sunday 30 September 2018, starting at 11.30, to support Fr Tony Coote and his amazing fundraising drive for research and care for people with Motor Neurone Disease

CARETAKER FOR LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

35-40 hours p/w (negotiable) during school term.

Contact St. Raphaela's N.S. at secretary@straphaelasns.ie or 01 288 6878 (Closing date 21st September)



MASS IN CELEBRATION OF ST PIO
50 YEARS since his Death | 100 YEARS since Receiving the Stigmata
Friday, September 21 at 7.30pm
St John the Evangelist Church, Ballinteer, Dublin 16
Celebrant
Fr Martin Bennett OFM Cap.
Blessing with Padre Pio Glove.
All Welcome

The Students from Oatlands Colleges who are going to Jamaica would like to thank Mount Merrion Parish for their generosity in last weeks collection which raised **€2094.83**.

WHEELCHAIR

Do you have a wheelchair which you can donate to the Parish? We are looking for a wheelchair which we can keep in the Church and use if and when needed. If so, please contact Rosemary / Vivienne in the Parish Office Tel. 2881271



Our sympathies to the family, relatives and friends of **Helen Purcell & Monica Maher** whose funeral took place here this week

PART TIME CARETAKER REQUIRED FOR MOUNT MERRION COMMUNITY CENTRE

Contact Mary Flynny at 01- 2884485
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 15th

6.00 Milly McElwee (Wedding Anniversary)
Hugh & Isobel Healy [A]

Sunday 16th

10.00 Jim & Mary Dowling [A]
Robert Nichol [A]
11.15 Rita O'Toole [A]
Eoin Fennessy [A]
Mary Fahy [A]
Paul Liuzzi [A]
Paddy Howard [A]
David Clarkin [M.M.]

7.30

Monday 17th

10.00 For all who are ill

Tuesday 18th

10.00 Liturgical Service with distribution of Holy Communion

Wednesday 19th

10.00 Special Intention

Thursday 20th

10.00 Frank Cormican [A]

Friday 21st

10.00 Michael Burns [A]

Saturday 22nd

10.00 Joan Mythen [A]
6.00 Rita Kelly [A]
Paul & Maureen Cremins [A]
Pat Collins [A]
Don Cockburn 1st [A]
John & Mairead O'Donoghue [A]
Sadie Mannion [A]
John Bolger [A]

Sunday 23rd

10.00 Margaret & James Maddock [A]
Mary Aylmer
11.15 Oona Linehan [A]
7.30



Blackrock Hospice is hosting its annual Coffee Morning Thursday **20th September at 10.30am**.

Parishioners are invited to join us and a warm welcome awaits you. Our special guest of honour will be Maia Dunphy, broadcaster and presenter.

Funds raised will support vital palliative care services right in the heart of the community.



We are hosting a coffee morning in aid of Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services, Harold's Cross & Blackrock.

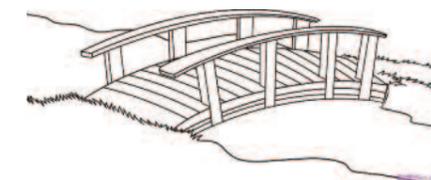
Date: 20th September

Time: 10am - 12pm

Venue: Mount Merrion Community Centre

From: Badmington Girls

Tel: 087-6818956



BUILDING BRIDGES

After reflection on the recent visit of Pope Francis to Ireland and his desire to hear the voices of the voiceless, I feel it's important to identify two particular groups who are perhaps on the margins of our church and whose voices are not fully heard. I identify these groups as firstly, the LGBT community and secondly, women.

In order that voices from these groups are more fully heard, I would like to invite anyone in our parishes from the LGBT Community, for a conversation and social evening with refreshments, to my house at 79 The Rise, Mount Merrion on **18th October at 7.30pm**. This invitation is also inspired by the book by Fr James Martin SJ called Building A Bridge, which I would highly recommend we all read.

My invitation is sincere and offered with humility so that we can all listen to each other with respect and dignity at this meeting in order to find a way to begin to cross the bridge together. Finally, I've invited a small group to begin to find ways of more fully hearing the voices of women in our parish.

Thank you for all your support in my illness. Keep up the prayers as every day I pray for you too. Fr Tony.

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS

Although it is heavy and seems unfair

All have been given our own cross to bear

Some call them burdens; a thorn in the side

Some call them mountains or storms to abide

We don't understand this purposeful weight

So we beg and we plead for the load to abate

And when it's not lifted we think there's no care

We become distraught, we begin to despair

For a time our vision is blurred by our tears

And our minds can't think beyond all the fears

Then a voice from above we cannot see

Says "take up your cross and come follow me"

And deep within the core of our being

We know we can trust this voice though unseen

So gently and slowly we take our first stride

Faithfully trusting that he'll be our guide

And so we begin to carry this cross

Apprehension and fear to the winds we toss

What once we saw as a cumbersome chore

Instead brings wisdom and so much more

As time goes by we soon realise

That the weight of the cross was not our demise

As time passes by we learn something new

The weight brings strength and wisdom too

So take up the cross that's yours to bear

Now hear the voice that speaks with care

In carrying this burden don't fail to see

That He added the words "come follow me"