

St. Michael's Parish, Blackrock, Cork. 15th October 2017 - 28th Sunday Ordinary Time

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WEEKLY MASS LEAFLET UPDATES:
 Email to: info@stmichaelsblackrock.ie

BAPTISMS: Saturdays 4 pm - 2 weeks notice required.
 MARRIAGES: Minimum 3 months notice required by Church and State, pre-marriage course required



Mass Times
Vigil Saturday: 6pm
Sundays: 9 am & 11 am
Working Holy Days: 10 am & 7.30 pm
Monday to Saturday: 10 am



Baptisms
Lily Dorota Collins
We welcome her into the Christian Family



Wedding
 Congratulations to **Vanessa O'Regan** and **Graham Cahalane** who were married in St. Michael's Church on 7th. October, 2017.
 Fr. Colin Doocey officiated.



Recently Deceased
Marie Long,
Ashleigh Gardens, Blackrock
May the light of heaven surround them always.



Blessing of Graves at St Michael's Cemetery
 Will take place on Sunday 12th November at 3pm.
 Mary Fay, Parish Secretary, Holy Cross Church,
 Mahon Tel: 021 4357040

Cork Simon Community
 Office Volunteers Required.
 Do you have two mornings or afternoons per week to assist Cork Simon Community administration staff in their vital work?
 We require people with excellent Word, Excel, data entry and phone skills. Please contact Caroline at fundraising@corksion.ie.



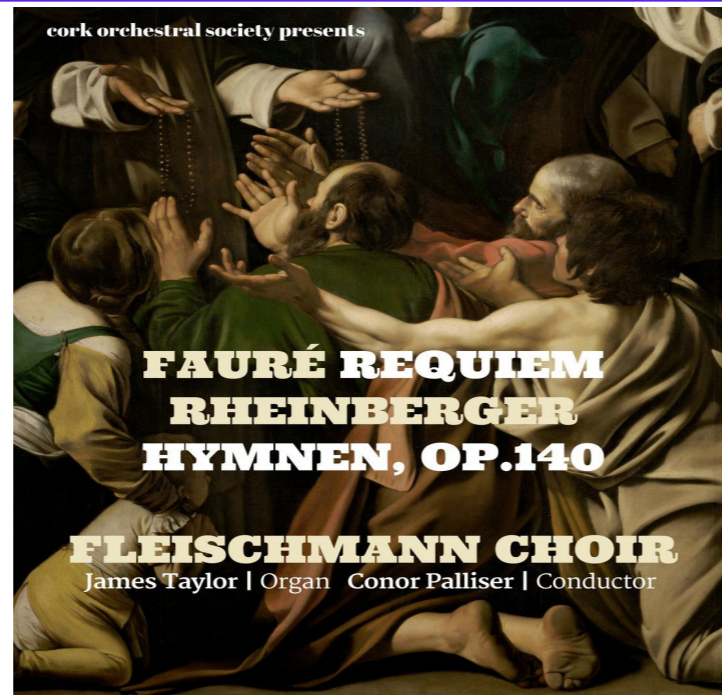
Day of Reflection at Nano Nagle Birthplace
 Ballygriffin, Mallow on Sat, 17 Nov 10am – 4pm led by Fr John Callanan SJ. Guided meditative prayer, taking account of our treasured memories, the situation of our lives and our hopes, opening up new pathways to God. Bookings to 022-26411 by 26 October.

CORK SIMON COMMUNITY CHURCH GATE COLLECTION
 Will take place next weekend 21st & 22nd October.

PARISH DIFIBRILLATORS

There are now 2 Defibrillators located in the Parish, one in the village & one outside Murphy's Topaz Petrol Station. The code to operate both is

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SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER 2017 | 7:00 PM
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BLACKROCK
 €15 | €12 (CONCESSIONS) | €12 & €10 (COS MEMBERS) | €5 (STUDENTS)
 Advance booking at www.corkorchestralsociety.ie



DO THIS IN MEMORY MASSES

Scoil Ursula: Saturday 6pm 21 October
 Beaumont: Sunday 11am 22nd October

Well done to the Rockies in reaching the final of the Senior Hurling Championship.

Introduction to Palliative Care for Health Care Assistants

Marymount University Hospital & Hospice will facilitate a 1 Day Programme on Introduction to Palliative Care for Health Care Assistants on Thursday, 2nd November 2017 in our Lecture Room at Marymount University Hospital & Hospice.

This programme is suitable for all healthcare assistants working in acute hospitals, community hospitals and nursing homes.
 The fee is €80.00 for the one day programme

Gather Monday Prayer for Young Adults: Join the Sisters of Bon Secours in prayer, quiet, reflection and chat. 7pm to 9pm each Monday evening in the Convent Chapel behind the Bon Secours Hospital, College Road. All young adults welcome. Contact: Anne-Marie Whelan 0872209994 eavopost@gmail.com

Young Adult Retreat Day: "The Way, The Truth, The Life"
 Sun 22nd Oct 10am to 5pm in the Sisters of Bon Secours Convent, College Road with Fr John Keane. Donation Only. BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Places limited. Contact: Anne-Marie Whelan 0872209994 eavopost@gmail.com



IT SAYS IN THE CATHOLIC PAPERS

- Catholic Times** (1) Fr. Marsden: The dramatic sign in Fatima points to the majesty and power of Almighty
- Tablet of 7/10** (2) Pope warns of fertility threat of 'the utopia of the neutral'
- Tablet of 14/10** Fr. Bernard Cotter: Baptisms, weddings & funerals are precious times when evangelisation by priest and parishioners is possible
- Messenger** UN under fire over Christian persecution
- Catholic Herald** The Virgin Mary: A bridge with Islam
- Irish Catholic** (1) Hundreds of thousands of Poles flock to borders to pray the rosary
- (2) Mary Kenny: Are Hollywood dinosaurs facing extinction?
- Universe** (1) Being pro-choice means you're ok with killing babies before they are born
- (2) Mary Kenny: How helpful is mindfulness?
- (1) Dad praises 'fantastic' priest as man jailed for double murder
- (2) Take your time and thank God for the wonderful gift of the Eucharist

ENABLE IRELAND'S STYLE EVENT
 With MAHON POINT SHOPPING CENTRE
 In Pairc Ui Chaoimh Wednesday 18th. October, 2017 AT 7.30PM.
 MC & STYLING BY DEE KELLY MORGAN
 HAIR BY PAMELA MORRISSEY SOBE BROWN
 Ticket: 20.00. Tel: 021-4294434

Diabetes Ireland Open Invitation There will be a Type 2 Diabetes Support Group meeting on:
 Date: Tuesday, 17th October 2017. Time: 10:30am to 12 noon, at Nano Nagle Centre, (Old South Presentation Convent, Evergreen Street entrance).
 Guest Speaker: Ms Sandra Ryan, Senior Podiatrist, Diabetes Ireland, where she will conduct a session on how to keep your feet healthy.

CORK THEOLOGY FORUM

The next event of the CTF will be on Saturday 21st Oct. Venue: Sacred Heart Hall, Western Road, Cork.
 Saturday 21st October at 9:30am Donation €10

MINISTERS OF THE WORD.
 The current Rota is available for collection in the Sacristy.

UNFOLDING THE WORD: Love and the Family
 Parish Room, Holy Cross, Mahon.
 No expertise needed - just a willingness to pray, discuss, share, listen. Thursday Evenings 7:30 - 9.00pm 5th, 19th, 26th October 2017
 All welcome

Thought for the day

In the parables of Jesus, wedding feasts are mentioned from time to time. The original parable may have ended with the words "invite everyone you can find to the wedding." The detail of the troops—highly unlikely as an actual part of a wedding invitation(!)—realistically portrays the later destruction of Jerusalem, which Christians did indeed look back upon as punishment precisely for that rejection. The final verse is difficult for us today on a spiritual level. However, it is meant to provoke (re)conversion in a possibly (!) complacent church.

Prayer

Lord, we know that you love us and invite us to the wedding feast of the Lamb. Help us to respond to your love that we may be followers of your Son not only in name but also in fact.

K. O'Mahony OSA



Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
 That saved a wretch like me.
 I once was lost but now I'm found,
 Was blind, but now I see.
 T'was grace that taught my heart to fear.
 And Grace, my fears relieved.
 How precious did that grace appear
 The hour I first believed.

Now thank we all our God,
 with heart and hands and voices,
 who wondrous things has done,
 in whom the world rejoices;
 who from our mother's arms
 has blessed us on our way
 with countless gifts of love,
 and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
 through all our lives be near us,
 with ever-joyful hearts
 and blessed peace to cheer us;
 and keep us in his grace,
 and guide us when perplexed,
 and free us from all ills
 in this world and the next.