

### Exam Prayer

Lord, I know you are with me and love me.  
Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this time of study.  
Help me to focus on my books and notes.  
Keep me from all distractions so that I will make

the best use of this time that is available to me.  
Give me insight that I might understand what I am studying,  
and help me to remember it when the time comes.  
Above all, I thank you for the ability to be able to study  
and for the many gifts and talents you have given me.  
Help me always to use them in such a way  
that they honour you and do justice to myself. Amen.

### First Communion Days

Inchicore National School—Saturday 11th May @ 11am  
Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál—Saturday 18th May @ 11am

### Confirmation Days

Inchicore National School—Thursday 23rd May @ 11am  
Scoil Mhuire Gan Smál—Thursday 30th May @11am

### Reconciliation Service for Confirmation Families

Wednesday 15th May @7pm. There will be no evening mass.

### "Koins for Kids Ireland

This is a small voluntary charity putting all their efforts into the funding of life-saving equipment for "The New Children's Hospital" when building is complete. Koins for Kids collects out of date and damaged currency and one and two cent coins. They are open to any donation. None is too big or small. To date they have raised over €100,000. If you have any coins or foreign currency which can be repatriated please leave into the Parish Office.

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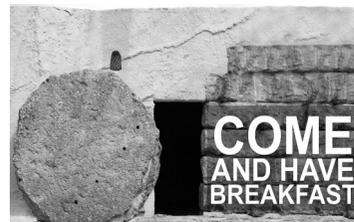
**Parish Team:** Fr Brian de Búrca, Fr Willie Fitzpatrick,  
Br Frank Flanagan, Joanne Lanigan

**Child Safeguarding Reps:** Mary Flood, Josie McCann & Rita Berry



# Oblate Parish of Mary Immaculate Newsletter

Sunday 5th May 2019



In today Gospel, Jesus spent time lighting the fire so he could cook breakfast on the seashore. Reminds me of my mother getting the fire ready in the old days so we could make toast with red embers for the long toasting fork. Or the way many people each day spend time cooking for their family. The act of cooking is an act of love and care. This is Jesus, the risen Jesus. No big apparitions in the sky,

but just the simple act in the dawn of cooking bread and fish.

The meal was for tired disciples. Often in the gospel stories he talked about people preparing meals and serving them. He seemed to say a lot through meals and at meals. He allowed a woman dry his feet with her hair at a meal, and the big image of his first meeting with people was a wedding meal.

In cooking for people love is active. A mother might count up sometime how many meals she has cooked, and call them hours of love. This too is the mission and identity of Jesus.

After death and resurrection comes the Spirit of love. Love given, love received and love shared.

The breakfast meal will end with questions about love. Anything real about the resurrection always ends in being sent by God on the mission of Jesus. He gives little instruction about the mission nor even what it may entail. But it entails being led by God. Life for Jesus is life with Jesus and with the grace of God. We are never alone.

This is the company and the friendship at the source of the life of the soul, and which keeps our unique personality alive. This love comes in prayer and in love and in our loving service of others. This is mission with and for the risen Jesus Christ.

*Risen Lord, may I share your great joy.*

Donal Neary SJ

## Kilmainham Inchicore Musical Society

Present

### Canaries

Nightly at 8pm from May 9<sup>th</sup> – May 11<sup>th</sup> - BERA Hall Inchicore

General admission €12

OAP and Children €10

Tickets – Call 087-6078012. Available online at KIMS.ie

**Anam Cara** South Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7:20pm in the Maldron Hotel, Tallaght, Dublin 24. 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.

### ACCORD Dublin: Catholic Marriage Care Service

Volunteers Required For: Marriage and Relationship Counsellors and Marriage Preparation Facilitators:

- To give courses for couples preparing for marriage and
- Marriage and Relationship counsellors.

If you would like to join a committed and professionally trained team who support couples in their marriage and those preparing for marriage, please contact us. Training for both roles will take place in the Pontifical University in Maynooth.

For further information please contact 01 4784400

*God searches for you, even if you don't search for Him. God loves you, even if you have forgotten Him. God looks for beauty in you, even if you think you have uselessly squandered all your talents.*  
Pope Francis (Tweet 29/4/19)

### Bingo

Monday Evenings  
8:15pm—9:30pm Árus Mhuire

### Darkness into Light

Pieta House

### Register Now

[darknessintolight.ie](http://darknessintolight.ie)

5KM Walk

Saturday Moring 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019, 4:15am

### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 11:30am, 7pm

**Holy Days:** Vigil 7pm,  
7am, 10am, 7pm

When Holy Day falls on a Saturday, Mass times are Vigil, 11am

### Weekdays

7am, 10am (Mon-Fri)  
7pm (Wed–Fri)

**Saturdays:** 11am

**Bank Holidays:** 11am

**Confessions:** Saturday  
10.30 am-11.00am

Confession is also available by calling to the *Oblate House of Retreat*

**Baptisms** take place on the third Sunday of every month at 3pm. Contact the Parish Office Tel. 4534408 ext. 203

**Lotto** draw every Monday evening.  
Jackpot €750.00  
Numbers: 9,11,12.

*Thank you for your support.*

### Family Offerings

10/03/2019 €315.88  
17/03/2019 €428.55  
24/03/2019 €499.00  
31/03/2019 €391.45  
07/04/2019 €437.60  
14/04/2019 €581.63  
21/04/2019 €265.00

*Thank you for your generous*

### Seamus Heaney and Catholicism

In an interview with Seamus Heaney in an old copy of *Harpers & Queen* from 1995, Maggie Fergusson, now *The Tablet's* literary editor, asks Heaney about the legacy of his Catholic childhood.

“Catholicism has given me the right to joy,” Heaney says. “People talk about the effects of a Catholic upbringing in sociological terms - repression, guilt, prudery. What isn't sufficiently acknowledged is the radiance of Catholicism. It gave everything in the world a meaning. It brought a tremendous sense of being, of the dimensions of reality, the shimmering edges of things. That never quite vanishes. The older I get, the more I remember the benediction of it all.”

“Not long afterwards, while on holiday in Greece with his wife Marie, Heaney learnt that he had won the Nobel Prize in Literature. Asked the inevitable question - Which of your poems springs to mind at this time? Heaney recited: “*When all the others were away at Mass*”, inspired by an early memory of peeling potatoes with his mother.

From *The Tablet*, April 6, 2019

€150 euros was raised for the Hospice from the St Patrick's Day sale of Shamrock.  
€400 euros collected for Br Kevin on Holy Thursday.  
€975 collected at the closing ceremony of the Lourdes Novena which goes towards parish running costs for the novena. *Thank you for your support and generosity.*

The Sunshine Fund would like to thank most sincerely the parish of Mary Immaculate parish for their generous contribution of €558.98 on Palm Sunday. They rely heavily on the funds generated through this collection and your support is greatly appreciated.