

Your contributions last week to support:

- Your priests - 1st Collection : **€898**
- Share - 2nd Collection: **€715**
- Running expenses of the parish (Family Offering / Weekly Envelope - **2,616** (3 weeks)

Are you playing your part? Family Offering envelopes / Standing Order forms are available through the parish office.

### **The Vine Mass Team Presents**

in Collaboration with St. Mark's World Youth Day Team

### **Movies with Meaning**

**This Sunday, 14th January at 7.30pm**  
in the  
**Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn**

this month's movie is

### **'It's a Wonderful Life'**

A seasonal favourite - Movie is FREE -  
Light Refreshments Provided - All Welcome

### **Family Offering Collection**

Boxes of envelopes for the Family Offering (Planned Giving) collection for 2018 are available in the parish office if you don't have a collector for your road and would like to start / continue contributing to this collection. The family offering collection helps pay for the day to day running costs of the parish. Alternatively, you can set up a Standing Order/direct debit mandate with your bank to contribute to this collection on a monthly or annual basis. Forms are available in the parish office. Please support your parish if you can. Thank you

### **Exploring the Bible**

*And its meaning in our lives -*  
**Mondays - 7.30pm - 8.30pm** in Shalom  
(beside St. mark's Church). All welcome.

**Tallaght Churches Together** will be presenting the 'Grace' series of talks, beginning on the 1st day of Christian Unity Week. If you really want to know how amazing '**GRACE**' really is, take a good look at the broken world it heals

### **What's So AMAZING about GRACE**

by Philip Yancey

10 Thursday Evenings - 10 sessions

### **INVESTIGATION OF GRACE**

**Begins on: Thursday, 18th January - 7.30pm**

**Ends on: Thursday, 22nd March - 7.30pm**  
in

**St. Thomas The Apostle Parish Church,**  
**Jobstown**

*You are not going to miss it, are you?*

### **PARENTS PLUS**

#### **Adolescent Programme**

An evidence-based parenting course promoting effective communication and positive relationships in families with adolescents aged 11 to 17 years.

**An 8 week course taking place every Wednesday morning from 24th January to 21st March 2018.**

It will take place in **Shalom Parish Centre,**  
**Springfield from 10am to 12.30pm**

The course will be facilitated by Irene Quinn from Crosscare Teen Counselling and Jacqueline Smith from Crosscare Youth Services.

For more information or to reserve your place, please contact: Irene Quinn: 01 5576002 ext. 507 or [iquinn@crosscare.ie](mailto:iquinn@crosscare.ie), Jacqueline Smith: 086-7802754 or [jacqueline.smith@crosscare.ie](mailto:jacqueline.smith@crosscare.ie)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Felix Gray whose funeral took place this week in our parish. May he rest in peace.

### **CALCUTTA 2018**

Norah Merriman will be making her annual trip with a small group to Calcutta on February 4th 2018 to try to continue to take children off the streets and on to education. Norah has been travelling to Calcutta for many years now and the people of St. Mark's Parish have been extremely generous during that time. This has enabled improvements to be made in the lives of many children and also some destitute people in need of operations. All money raised goes directly to the most needy, there are no administration costs and the group pay all their own expenses. If you would like to give a donation, no matter how small, please give it directly to Norah or drop it into the office over the coming weeks. **Thank you.**

### **An Evening of Music**

**Featuring: The Now and Then Production Company**

With Special Guests: DAMS Vocal Ensemble - Laureate Lorcan Farrell - Catherine Griffin - Oblates Gospel Choir - Cára Davey - The Shadow of the Cross Folk Group

Musical Commentary by Eddie Brennan

**Friday, 26th January at 7.30pm in**

**St. Dominic's Church, Tallaght**

Donations Most Welcome

In aid of the Now And Then Production Company

### **Christmas Dues**

Thank you to everyone who has given in their Christmas dues envelope in support of your priests, those working, sick and retired. Your continued support and generosity is greatly appreciated. Spare envelopes are available at the back of the church.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

**Eucharistic Adoration** takes place every Friday after 10am Mass until 3pm. All are welcome to come and spend some of that time in quiet prayer and reflection.



**WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**Felix Gray, Brenda Barry and Nicola Murray Ryan who died recently**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Bridget Myers  
Bridget Leydon  
Lee De Rosa  
Eileen Pierce  
Hannah Halpin  
Brian Murphy  
Jo Phillips  
James McLaughlin  
Eugene and Bridget Carron  
Anne Ganley  
Marian, Paddy and Damien Carron  
John Ritchie (5th Anniversary)**

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

**BOOKINGS FOR BAPTISMS:**

**Bookings for baptisms take place in the parish office (church porch) Mon to Fri- 10.30am -12.30 pm, tel: 4620777. Three month's notice is required. Baptisms take place: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in St. Mark's Church at 1.30pm.**

**MASS TIMES THIS WEEK**

**St. Mark's Church**

**Monday - Friday: 10am**

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**St. Mark's Parish Church**

**Saturday: Vigil - 6.30pm**

**Sunday: 12.30pm**

**1st Sunday of the month: 12.30pm - Family (Children's) Mass**

**(St. Mark's Youth Choir - 12.30 Mass 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month)**

**Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn**

**Sunday: 10.00am**

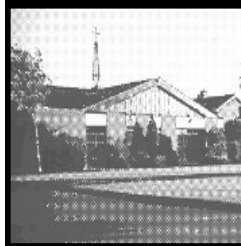
**Last Sunday of the month: 10am - Family (Children's) Mass**

**1st Saturday of the month:  
Vine Mass (Taize style): 7.00pm**

**Confessions**

**6pm - 6.20pm on Saturdays (subject to availability of a priest)**

**14th January 2018 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Fr. Pat McKinley**

**68 Maplewood Rd.  
Tel. 451 3109**

**Fr. Jimmy McPartland**

**Brookfield**

**Rev. Bill O'Shaughnessy  
70 Maplewood Rd.  
Tel. 4590746**

**Parish Office  
Monday to Friday  
10.30 - 12.30pm  
Tel: 462 0777**

**Duty Phone  
087 4652258  
(emergencies only,  
when above contacts  
are unavailable)**

**The Deep End - Come and See**

Today is the 104th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, and this year's theme is 'Welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating migrants and refugees'.

In his message to mark the day, Pope Francis spoke of our responsibility, as individuals, communities and Church, to welcome everyone, particularly those who have been forced to leave their home in search of a better future.

'Every strange who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age... This is a great responsibility, which the Church intends to share with all believers and men and women of good will, who are called to respond to the many challenges of contemporary migration with generosity, promptness, wisdom and foresight, each according to their own abilities.'

Pope Francis has spoken often of our 'brotherly responsibility' towards our fellow human beings, and how our welcome ought to be a response to the Lord's supreme commandment to love the other, the stranger, as ourselves. We all have opportunities to do this in our communities.

In today's Gospel Jesus invites the disciples to 'come and see' where he lives. He welcomes them into his home and they stay with him for the rest of the day. The example of Jesus encourages us to be welcoming, to extend a warm invitation, and to spend time with others in friendship.

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