

Parish Notices

COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €1451

Share: €944

Envelope: €137

CROSSCARE ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Collection for *Crosscare* - Community, Homeless and Youth Services - will take place at ALL Masses This weekend (31st August—1st September) and will replace the normal Share Collection.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday, 6th September, is a First Friday. Holy Communion will be brought to the sick and housebound of the parish. If you know of somebody that you think should be on our list and may not be, please let us know.

JUNIOR CHOIR

Junior choir resumes practice on Thursday 5th September at 4pm. All children over the age of 6 are welcome.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Patricia (Pat) Ennis** (Bancroft) and **Patricia Capocci Mulraney** (Killinarden), whose funerals were from our Church during last week.

MASS FOR THE SICK

Will be held in St. Colmcilles Church, Knocklyon. It will be celebrated by Bishop Eamon Walsh on 18th September (Wednesday) at 11.00am.

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RETREAT HOUSE

Upcoming meetings:

- **SRF Dublin Meditation Circle**, 9.45am - 12.30pm every Sunday
- **Men's Yoga**, Mondays, 7.30-9.00pm, **resuming 16th Sep**
- **Circle Dancing**, Mondays, 7.15pm—9.00pm, **commencing again 2nd Sept.**
- **CA Meeting**, Mondays, 7.00-8.00pm.
- **Shine Yoga** Mixed classes suitable for beginners and intermediate levels, Tuesdays, **commencing 3rd Sep.**
- **Zen Meditation**, Tuesdays, 8.00-9.30pm, **resuming 3rd Sep.**
- **John Main Christian Meditation**, Wednesdays, 8.00pm-9.00pm, **resuming September.**
- **SRF Dublin Meditation Circle**, Wednesdays, 6.30-9.30pm
- **Drop in Yoga Tallaght Cancer Support for all affected by Cancer**, Thursdays, 10.30-12.30, **resuming 12th Sep.**
- **Christian Mystics made simple**, Thursdays, 8.00-9.30pm, **resumes 16th Sep.**

Coming soon:

- **Zen Overnight 6th/7th Sep**, arrive for 8.00-9.00pm sitting; 4 sessions during the day, each of the two 25 min periods with 10 min kinhin in between; two periods of teaching. Cost €65 overnight or €25 Sat only. Bring Packed lunch. Booking 01-4048189 or retreathouse@eircom.net.
- **Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction**: 8 weeks 2,5 hours per week. Info: 087-9390689 or miriamdunleakent@gmail.com

PRIORY NEWSLETTER

St. Mary's Dominican Priory - Tallaght, 22nd Sunday of the year (C), 1st SEPTEMBER 2019

Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.

The setting for today's Gospel reading is hostile — the Pharisees are seeking how they can catch Jesus out in something he says or does. If they can only find something, they will attack and, if possible, even bring about good reasons for his death. That is their aim. The situation is really serious.

(...)

When Jesus appeared on earth he was born in a stable, the son of poor parents. Poor shepherds were his first visitors and witnesses of his birth and of the heavenly joy that accompanied it. Immediately, the world he came to save tried to kill him and was responsible for St. Joseph fleeing to Egypt with mother Mary and child.

When Jesus undertook his public ministry of manifesting God's love for humankind, he proclaimed "*be compassionate as your heavenly Father is compassionate*" (Lk 6: 36). He invited all people to be reflective of his Father the Compassionate. Jesus gave personal example by a life of compassion and concern for everyone. He made himself the servant and slave of all. All of this he crowned with his humble and agonizing death on the cross for all, between two thieves, showing how the most holy could identify with the representatives of all sinners that brought him to this death.



In today's reading we see his humble compassion extending to the Pharisees. He does not reprimand them or expose them but shows them practical love by pointing out to them how they must live and love God. He speaks of the marriage feast, a reference to their invited life to come in heaven. He points out to them how they can be sure of this wedding invitation. On their part it requires humility, that is abasing oneself before others and their needs, not seeking and taking delight in the externals of religion but in love which puts God and neighbour above all else, including self. If only all could be like Jesus, "meek and humble", how the world would be changed.

Read full commentary by +Fr. Paschal Tiernan at www.stmarys-tallaght.ie.