

Parish Notices

COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €1762
Share: €2987 (Crosscare)

THANK YOU

A special thank you to all who contributed to making our Family Fun Afternoon a success—our dedicated helpers, and those who supported us by their presence on the day. We thank the Dominican Community for the use of their garden.

We also wish to thank and acknowledge Mrs. Pauline Madden & Madden's Stores Corp. for their generous fruit donation.

Funds raised (€1769.56) will enable us, with permission, to hold our 8th Family Fun Afternoon next year.

LOST & FOUND

A sum of money was found in the vicinity of the church last Sunday morning, 1st September. For further information, please contact Priory Reception.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council this Thursday, 12th September, in the Large Parlour of the Priory at 7.30pm.

JUNIOR CHOIR

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

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.

VINE GROUP

The priory vine mass will take place on Sunday, 15th September.

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:

- **Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction:** 8 weeks 2,5 hours per week. Info: 087-9390689 or miriamdunleakent@gmail.com

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PRIORY NEWSLETTER

St. Mary's Dominican Priory - Tallaght, 23rd Sunday of the year (C), 8th SEPTEMBER 2019

JESUS' ONE-WAY JOURNEY

Jesus is an outstanding teacher and model in this Gospel passage. From the time he “*set his face to go to Jerusalem*” on his last journey Jesus had assumed his cross which included worry, suffering and preparation for death. He gave us a fine example of what being committed to God the Father in his own life meant for him. He gave us the perfect example of how to follow as disciples.

For Jesus to take up his cross and carry it to Calvary and death was a one-way journey with no return. It was a total commitment. Disciples were told to take up their cross daily because that is what he did. He had to carry his wooden cross for a few hours but the worry and expectation of agony and excruciating pain of crucifixion were with him daily for months.

This passage has the refrain you “*cannot be my disciple*” unless...!. Jesus is telling us that he is not half-hearted in showing us his love, in bearing his cross, in giving us his life. “*Greater love than this no man has than to give his life for his friend*”. He had the consequences of his love



well-thought out; he did not believe in half-measures.

What Jesus is asking from us, his disciples, is not half-hearted, casual but total love for him as he gave his complete and unreserved love for us. Ultimately what Jesus is saying to each one of us is that each must be absolutely clear what being a Christian, one who is a disciple of Jesus, really means. This passage is a stimulant to sit down and reflect on the Christian vocation.

Read full commentary by + Fr. Paschal Tiernan OP

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