

Wednesday 1st March—Ash Wednesday. Today marks the beginning of Lent and is a day of Fast and Abstinence. Mass will be celebrated at 9.30 a.m. as usual .An additional Mass will be celebrated at 6.30 p.m.to enable those at work early in the day to attend . Ashes will be blessed and distributed at both Masses. Lent is often referred to as the Spring time of the Church Year a time of Renewal as we prepare for the great Feast of Easter.

What to Give Up this Lent ...

- Give up complaining... focus on gratitude
- Give up pessimism... become an optimist
- Give up harsh judgments... think kindly thoughts
- Give up worry... trust Divine Providence
- Give up discouragement... be full of hope
- Give up bitterness...turn to forgiveness
- Give up hatred... return good for evil
- Give up negativism... be positive
- Give up anger... be more patient
- Give up pettiness... become mature
- Give up gloom... enjoy the beauty that is all around you
- Give up jealousy... pray for trust
- Give up gossiping... control your tongue
- Give up sin... turn to virtue
- Give up giving up... hang in there!

**Our Lady of the Wayside Parish
Baptism dates for 2017**



Saturday: 25th March
Saturday: 29th April

Ash Wednesday

Find these hidden words and circle them in the puzzle below.

Cross
Lent
Rite
Penance
Easter
Dust
Palms
Ashes
Fasting
Church
Prayer
Forehead

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Sunday 26th February 2017



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**SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS
Matthew 6:24-34**



1. This passage has many beautiful images and encouraging words. Read it slowly and let the words and images speak to you.
2. We all worry, and possibly spend a lot of energy on needless worry. Often the things we worry about never happen. Behind much worry lies a lack of trust in ourselves, in others, and in God. What has helped you to develop the kind of trust that helps you to avoid excessive worrying?
3. One of the situations that can cause anxiety is when we have divided loyalties. 'No one can be the slave of two masters'. A clear set of priorities can help us avoid this dilemma. What has helped you be clear in your own mind on where your priorities lie?
4. 'Set your hearts on God's kingdom first'. Has your faith in God helped you in times of anxiety? Your faith will not take away the problems, but knowing that God is with you, no matter what, can make a difference. What is your experience of this?

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**Preparation for Sacrament of Eucharist and Reconciliation
Programme:
Sunday 26th February Mass ——— Children's Liturgy 11.00 a.m**

Sun: Vigil 6.30 p.m. (Folk Group) 8.30 a.m. & 11.00 a.m. (Family Mass)
Mon-Fri: 9.30 a.m.
Sat: 10.00 a.m.
Holy Days: 10.00 a.m. **Confessions:** Sat: 10.30 am & 6.00 p.m.

Welcome, Fr Eduardo

Many of you will have already met Fr. Eduardo O.M.I. who has come to minister in Ireland. Fr Eduardo is from Mexico. He was ordained to the Priesthood in October last year. Shortly afterwards he was assigned to the Anglo – Irish Province. He arrived at the beginning of January and since then , he has been attending the Alpha College of English, perfecting his English. I know that you will welcome him and we look forward to his working with us.

Inchicore Variety Group

Present Mother Goose. A panto for all the family in Aras Mhuire Hall on 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th February at 8pm with matinee on Sunday, 26th at 3pm. Tickets available at the door or from House of Retreat, Inchicore. Adults: €12. Seniors/Students: €10 Children : €6.

Oblate Gospel Choir and Friends in Concert

Directed by Nicola White

An evening of inspirational sounds and dance with parish Choirs and guest musicians on **Wednesday, 8th March 2017 at 7.45 p.m.** in **Our Lady of the Wayside Parish Church Bluebell, Dublin 12**

Ticket Prices (get your **tickets early**)

Adult - €10.00 Senior Citizen €8.00

Student and Child – €6.00

Family - (2 adults and two children) €26.00

(All money goes to Motor Neurone Research)

Tickets available in Parish Office.

Tickets also available on the night at the door.

Youth Events

TAIZE July 30th-
August 8th. Age
Group: 15-17 Cost
€265 per person
For more information,
or to book a place
contact Pdraig on
0877723255 or email:
[padraig.oblate.
partners@gmail.com](mailto:padraig.oblate.partners@gmail.com)

Fair trade fortnight 27th February to 12th March.

Thousands of farmers in countries such as Malawi and Kenya all contribute to the tea, coffee and cocoa we enjoy in Ireland. And yet many of those farmers are still living in poverty. If people really knew the true human cost of exploitation, would they still make the same choices? Logging is another way that our earth is being affected by greed. On the weekend of the 11th and 12th March we will be selling the 'usual Tree Cards' . More information in next Newsletter.



The Annual Clothing Collection

The SVP Annual Clothing Collection will take place on 25th and 26th February. You will appreciate that we do not have facilities to dispose of clothes received after that. Good quality clothing needed.

'The Lord's presence dwells in real and concrete families, with all their daily troubles and struggles, joys and hope's. Pope Francis

Film Night at the Legion of Mary House, 279 Sarsfield Road, Ballyfermot on Saturday 4th March 2017 at 8pm, "The Reluctant Saint". Based on the true story of St Joseph of Cupertino, the 17th Century Franciscan Friar who, despite struggling academically, reached such holiness. All welcome, admission free; all queries to Pat on 087-2489004

Bluebell Clean Up

Saturday, 25th February

Time: 11.00a.m.to 1.00 p.m..

Meeting place: Bluebell shops

Bring yourself, your friend, and your neighbour.



The Fortysomething

Are you in your 40s? The Dublin 40something organise spiritual and social events for people in their 40s in and around the Dublin area who have Catholic ethos. We invite you to come along and get involved. Our next monthly gathering is at Trinity City Hotel, Pearse Street, Dublin 2, at 8.30 pm on Friday March 3rd. Then we have an evening Lenten Retreat at the Sacred Hearts, 66 Inchicore Road, Dublin 8, at 5.00 p.m. on Saturday 11th March. Come along or contact us on dublinsomething@gmail.com or 087 760 8268 for information on these or other events we organise.

Little Treasures Pre-school Playgroup, in the Bluebell Community Centre, are now accepting names for children age 3 years - 5 years for pre school in September 2017 if you have a child and he or she is due to start pre-school in September 2017 now is the time to get their name down. Children can participate in the E.C.C.E Early Childhood Care & Education scheme from after their 3rd birthday. For more details please contact Breda 0862527271 or call into the Community Centre. We are open from 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Free training course in using the Internet – are you interested?

Classes will be starting during the week beginning Monday, March 6 in Senior Help Line's Amiens Street offices – Senior Help Line is a programme of Third Age. If you are interested, or would like to know more, please contact Ann on 087-9031265 Monday-Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm