JUNE & JULY 2016

RATHMICHAEL PARISH

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parishioners & other decent people,

In one of her books, (*'Flourishing'*) by Clinical Psychologist, Maureen Gaffney says that we need six positives for every negative in order to maintain good mental health. Another book which was recommended to me by a secondary school teacher *('Divas & Door Slammers: The secrets to having a much better behaved Teenager'. By Charlie Taylor*) posits the same hypothesis. Battle scarred, this headmaster in a deprived London school tried this theory and practice and the results are truly transformative.

I have also read his *book 'Divas & Dictators: The secrets to Having a Much Better Behaved Child'* which goes down the same line for younger children.

Yikes! But on this theory, the news feed any day pretty much thwarts any possibility of achieving the 6:1 ratio in favour of our mental health unless we have some other resources of positivity. The words "I BELIEVE **IN** GOD," rather than "I Believe THAT God", serve for me at least, as a sort of overall insurance policy against hopelessness, despite all the questions of WHY? And HOW CAN? and so on. And no. That doesn't mean that I am inoculated against feeling down or low or weary or worrying or questioning. It does mean that the words of *Deuteronomy 33:27 "The eternal God is your refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms"* are a solid support and foundation for me whether I am worrying about myself or for others.

And back to the school theme at the beginning. Our hearts go out to those soon to sit the formal state examinations and who would want to swap places with them. True. But compared to many of us longer in the tooth, they will receive an awful lot more positive reinforcement in school than we did, where for many back then, the opposite was the norm.

But why should we ever worry? A government in gestation for 10 weeks and now looking at 3 months break from Dáil Éireann sitting over the summer!

But life punches us hard at times. Our school principal, Caroline Senior, whose sister (51) has just died in the USA.

The first anniversary of the Berkeley, California tragedy occurs on the 16th June.

Cancer seems to be hitting the parish and parish school family particularly hard over the last while and into the future for those in therapy.

There is an evening collect

"Lighten our hearts we beseech thee O Lord and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen"

As we plan and work towards the FETE on the 3rd September with all its attendant energy, we do NOT forget those for whom life is more difficult and very taxing.

God bless for summer and for a decent dose of Vitamin D on our pelt.

Fred

P.S. Please read and give consideration to Mark Thornburgh's plea's on Pages 5 & 6 and your assistance for and to the Stallholders, listed on Pages 7 & 8 will be most appreciated.

CHURCH SERVICES - JUNE 2016

SUNDAY	08.30 HRS	11.00 HRS	19.00 HRS	LECTORS
The SECOND SUNDAY after TRINITY Green 5th JUNE 2016	H.C.	HOLY COMMUNION 1 Kings 17:8-16 (17-24) Psalm 146 Galatians 1: 11-24 Luke 7: 11-17	EVENING PRAYER	Anne & Neville Thompson
The THIRD SUNDAY after TRINITY Green 12th JUNE 2016	H.C.	FAMILY SERVICE With Holy Baptism 1 Kings 21: 1-10, (11-14) 15-21a Psalm 5: 1-8 Galatians 2: 15-21 Luke 7: 36 - 7: 3 *Presentation of Sunday Club Prizes followed by light lunch and fun in The Erck Hall*	HOLY COMMUNION	Shirley Farrell
The FOURTH SUNDAY after TRINITY Green 19th JUNE 2016	H.C.	HOLY COMMUNION 1 Kings 19: 1-4 (5-7) 8-15a Psalms 42: 43 Galatians 3: 23-29 Luke 8: 26-39	COMPLINE	Helen Darcy
The FIFTH SUNDAY after TRINITY Green 26th JUNE 2016	H.C.	MORNING PRAYER 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20 Galatians 5: 1, 13-25 Luke 9: 51-62 Please join us for coffee after the service	HOLY COMMUNION	Alan Grainger

THE THURSDAY GROUP

We will not have a meeting in June.

We will have our "summer lunch" in Hunter's Hotel on Tuesday 5th July (a little break from Thursdays!).

The cost of lunch will be €26.50 each.

We will meet at 12.30 p.m. at the hotel for lunch at 1.00 p.m.

We look forward to seeing the members of the Thursday Group and friends are most welcome.

Please let me know by Friday 1st July if you will be coming and lifts can be arranged.

Look forward to seeing you then,

Anne 282 4202 (086 893 7067)

THE ALPHA/IN-BETWEEN BOOK CLUB

The May meeting will be on Tuesday 31st May 2016 @ 8.00 p.m. in the home of Lily Byrne, Old Conagh Cottage, Thornhill Road, Old Connaght.
Phone: 01-2821021 or 087-2229633

The book for May is

"The Dressmaker" by Rosalie Ham

The June meeting will be on Tuesday 28th June 2016 @ 8.00 p.m. in the home of Anne Golden, 38 Church Drive, Eden Gate, Delgany. Phone: 086-4004277.

The book for June is

"Frog Music" by Emma Donoghue

The Book Club will not meet in July or August.

Three books (details later) will be selected for Summer reading and all three will be discussed at the September meeting:-

CHURCH SERVICES - JULY 2016

SUNDAY	08.30 HRS	11.00 HRS	19.00 HRS	LECTORS
SAINT THOMAS **Red** **3rd JULY 2016**	**H.C.**	**HOLY COMMUNION** **With Holy Baptism** **Habakkuk 2: 1-4** **Psalm 31: 1-6** **Ephesians 2: 19-22** **John 20: 24-29**	**EVENING PRAYER**	**Isobel & Martin Mansergh**
The SEVENTH SUNDAY after TRINITY **Green** **10th JULY 2016**	**H.C.**	**FAMILY SERVICE** **Amos 7: 7-17** **Psalm 82** **Colossians 1: 1-14** **Luke 10: 25-37** **Please join us for coffee following the service**	**HOLY COMMUNION**	**Debbie Duncan**
The EIGHTH SUNDAY after TRINITY **Green** **17th JULY 2016**	**H.C.**	**HOLY COMMUNION** **With Holy Baptism** **Amos 8: 1-12** **Psalm 52** **Colossians 1: 15-28** **Luke 10; 38-42**	**COMPLINE**	**Baptism Party**
The NINTH SUNDAY after TRINITY **Green** **24th JULY 2016**	**H.C.**	**MORNING PRAYER** **Hosea 1: 2-10** **Psalm 85** **Colossians 2: 6-15, (16-19)** **Luke 11: 1-13** **Please join us for coffee following the service**	**HOLY COMMUNION**	**Barbara & Terry Bates**
The TENTH SUNDAY after TRINITY **Green** **31st JULY 2016**	**H.C.**	**HOLY COMMUNION** **Hosea 11: 1-11** **Psalm 107: 1-9, 43** **Colossians 3: 1-11** **Luke 12: 13-21**	**HOLY COMMUNION**	**Paul Cathcart**

PARISH REGISTERS:

HOLY BAPTISM: 22nd May 2016: Iain Andrew Sarratt-Styles, son of Hayley Sarratt and Michael Styles, Ferndale Road, Rathmichael, Dublin 18. We welcome Iain Andrew to his Christian family.

INTERMENT OF ASHES: 30th April 2016. Of the late and loved Georgine Grey in the ashes plot in the church grounds.

FUNERAL: 26th May 2016: Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Morrogh, Rathbeg, Shankill, Dublin 18.

A well known lady in Shankill from her walks over the years with her dogs, Bella and then Sophie, Betty left this world at the great age of 102 years. We extend our sympathy to Betty's sons Andrew, Peter, and William and her daughter Julie, her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family and friends.

May her soul rest in peace and rise in glory.

RATHMICHAEL CHURCH OF IRELAND PARISH

The Rector and Select Vestry invite you

to join them at 11.00 a.m. FAMILY SERVICE

with the presentation of SUNDAY CLUB prizes

on SUNDAY 12th JUNE 2016

followed by a light lunch and fun in the Erck Hall

12.00 – 2.30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you there.

RSVP (by 5th June) to Anne Thompson - annethompson@iol.ie

Phone or Text 086 893 7067

June/July 2016

Dear Parishioners,

Planning for Fete 2016 is well underway by The Fete Committee.

Please put the date in your diary – **3rd September 2016.**

As we look ahead to ***Fete 2016*** we need everybody's help to make our Parish & School Fete an enjoyable and successful event.

There are many ways in which you can help –

- **Donations of goods** - in this newsletter you will find the list of stall managers. It's never too early to start putting things aside for the Fete. Perhaps you may be able to grow some plants to donate to our plant stall or maybe you can begin planning for some jam making during the summer.

- **Sponsors and Donors –** The cost of holding the Fete is substantial as we have to hire in tents / tables and other equipment. We need help with these costs so please contact any Fete Committee member if you are in a position to provide sponsorship or make a financial donation to support Rathmichael Fete.

- **Helpers** - As I write, there are still a few stalls that do not yet have a "Manager" so if you are interested in helping out please talk to any member of the Committee.
  We also need "manpower and womanpower" for every stall. Please let us know if you are available to help one of our Stall Managers

We especially need support during the week of the Fete with sorting and stacking etc.
Please consider giving us one or two nights during that week.

We need lots of people to set everything up on the day before the Fete.

There are many other ways to help also

* donations of raffle prizes
* help with publicity
* car park supervision
* putting up tents
* erecting signs, etc. etc..

Please contact one of the Fete Committee by phone or email.

Your help and support will truly be appreciated.

Fete Publicity

Owing to restrictions imposed by Dunlaoghaire/Rathdown County Council we are only allowed display a very limited quantity of signs in public places.
We are asking anyone who has a garden or suitable wall/ premises, especially on a busy road, to consider letting us erect a sign for the week prior to the Fete.

Please contact John Bolton or Mark Kenny

If you are new to the Parish then please don't be shy – the Fete is a great way of getting to know people. If you are a long established Parishioner then don't be shy either - we need everybody's help and support to make ***Fete 2016*** successful.

Contact details for the Fete Committee members are included so please get in touch if you would like to help us or if you have any questions or queries about Fete 2016. In advance I would like to thank you all for your continued support for this most important event in our annual Parish life.

So, please, please help us – WE need YOU.

Remember the date - Saturday 3rd September

Mark Thornburgh - Chairman Fete Committee – 086 3831655

Fete Committee 2016

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STALL	STALLHOLDER	PHONE NUMBER/S
CLOTHES-ADULT-GOOD AS NEW-(MEN'S & WOMEN'S)	AUDREY WILLIAMS	442 5589/086 816 8441
BABY EQUIPMENT - COTS, HIGH CHAIRS, BUGGIES ETC and CHILDREN'S & BABY CLOTHES	SUZANNE McKENZIE YOUNG HEIDI JACKSON VALERIE ROBINSON	086 300 2709 086 867 7874 086 602 3374
BOOKS - FICTION & NON-FICTION IN GOOD CONDITION	LILY & CHRIS BYRNE	282 1021/ 087 222 9633
BOTTLES - SPIRITS, WINE, BEER, SOFT DRINKS, SHAMPOO (ANYTHING IN A BOTTLE)	PEADAR BRUTON	086 854 2244
BURGERS - HOT DOGS SPONSORSHIP APPRECIATED	FRANK O'KENNEDY	282 6156/086 829 3344
CAR PARK SUPERVISION	MAURICE HORAN	087 253 7262
COLLECTOR'S CORNER - AS NEW ORNAMENTS BRASS- GLASS - UNWANTED GOOD AS NEW GIFTS	SONIA APPELBE	282 2803 / 087 679 8876
GAMES - SPONSORSHIP WOULD BE APPRECIATED	GEOFFREY ROBINSON	08087 905 7953
GATE	ROBERT KING-HALL & CO.	282 2560
HOME ENTERTAINMENT - CD'S. DVD'S. RECORDS. VIDEOS.GAMES.	MARK KENNY PAUL BARRON	087 620 9800 087 654 0257
JEWELLERY & COSMETICS - GOLD, SILVER, DIAMONDS, PASTE, PLASTIC AND NEW UN-OPENED COSMETICS	CORINNA DOLAN	087 907 7529
PLANTS - CUTTINGS, POT PLANTS, FLOWERS, ETC. Anything that grows!	SUSAN STUART	087 274 7471
RAFFLE - SPONSORSHIP OR PRIZES REQUIRED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED	DAVID SIMMONS	282 5055/087 636 0458
RATHMICHAEL COUNTRY FAYRE		
EVERYTHING DELICIOUS AND HOMEMADE, CAKES, BISCUITS, BREAD, SCONES, BRACKS, APPLE PIES. ETC. ETC.	DEBBIE DUNCAN	2721127/086 647 1617
DELIVATESSEN - SAVOURY - MEAT PIES, QUICHE, BREAD, PIZZA, PASTA, ETC. ETC.	CAROLINE SENIOR	087 744 6719
JAMS, MARMALDE AND PRESERVES OF ANY KIND. DONATIONS OF FRUIT GREATLY APPRECIATED AND WE WILL GLADLY COME AND PICK IT IF REQUIRED.	HEATHER McNALLY	086 820 4165

STALL	STALLHOLDER	PHONE NUMBER
REFRESHMENTS - LUNCHES & AFTERNOON TEAS WE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO RECEIVE CAKES, BISCUITS, SCONES, APPLE PIE, MERINGUES, QUICHE & SAUSAGE ROLLS - RATHMICHAEL HOME COOKING IS ALWAYS IN DEMAND AND APPRECIATED BY OUR CLIENTELE.	MANAGER & TEAM REQUIRED	
SHOES & BAGS & LUGGAGE (SHOES THAT ARE IN GOOD CONDITION AND WEARABLE PLEASE)	JENNY McGUIRK	282 5040 085 703 1045
SMOOTHIES - DONATIONS OF FRUIT AND/OR SPONSORSHIP FOR THIS VERY BUSY STALL WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATED	FIONA ASHE GEOFFREY PERRIN RICHARD MARSHALL	286 9160 087 821 5806 087 917 4452 086 026 1188
SOFT FURNISHINGS - CURTAINS - CUSHIONS TOWELS - RUGS - BED LINEN - ALL MUST BE GOOD AS NEW	NEIL & LUCY BASS	087 248 1581
SPORTS CENTRE - SPORTS EQUIPMENT FOR EVERY SPORT WANTED IN GOOD CONDITION	ROBERT AND CHARLOTTE NORWOOD	087 247 5372
SWEETS AND DRINKS SPONSORSHIP WOULD BE APPRECIATED	ANN THORNBURGH	282 7226 087 232 9096
TOYS - IN WORKING ORDER AND IN GOOD CONDITION PLEASE	RATHMICHAEL P.T.A. SARAH CAMPBELL SHARON & STEPHEN HEALY	 086 213 4338 086 600 3740
WHEEL OF FORTUNE - SPONSORSHIP AND/OR PRIZES WOULD BE APPRECIATED.	GRAEME SLATTERY	083 330 2015
WHITE ELEPHANT - POTS, PANS, CHINA, CROCKERY, ORNAMENTS, PLANT POTS, EVERYTHING AND ANYTHING IN SELLABLE CONDITION PLEASE DO NOT DONATE FURNITURE - TELEVISIONS or PC,S IF IN DOUBT - PLEASE CHECK WITH PETER	PETER RICHARDSON	087 065 2312
STALLHOLDER LUNCHES ETC.	MARY RICHARDSON	087 7600831
MASTER of CEREMONIES	MARTIN BERNON	

Plant and Garden Stall - Rathmichael Fete 2016

I NEED HELP!!!

I am delighted to have been given the opportunity to run the Plant and Garden Stall at Fete 2016. This stall has become incredibly popular and I need as much help and support as possible to maintain the very high standard set by my predecessors So here goes!

- I need people to assist me on the day of the Fete. Two or three people for an hour or two.
- I need "growers" who would be willing to grow plants over the summer. I have been supplied with a selection of bulbs and tubers and I am appealing for those of you who have a small amount of space in the garden or patio, to grow a couple of pots of dahlias or lilies. Small pots of parsley, mint, thyme, dill or oregano are very popular too.
- Lidl, Aldi and other stores have special offers on plants from time to time. Would you consider dropping a plant into your trolley and donating it to the Fete?
- Finally, would the green fingered among you, be able to take cuttings or pot up seedlings which have scattered from last years' flowers?

Most of us have bits and pieces lying in the garden shed for which we have no use. Would you be willing to donate them to the Plant and Garden Stall? See my wish list below!

Susan's Wish list

- Large plastic pots—the bigger the better!
- Terracotta pots and tubs for outdoors.
- Ceramic type pots for indoors
- Wicker baskets—the type used for Mother's Day and Easter presentations
- Hanging baskets and window boxes
- Herbaceous plants, grasses, shrubs - in fact any perennial plant!
- Potted herbs—always very popular!
- Houseplants – even the ones which are feeling tired and unloved. We'll give them love!
- Compost, bulbs and tubers.
- Unused seeds.
- If you think that you can help, please email me or text me.

Many thanks!

Susan Stuart

Mobile 087 2747471 Email:- susanstuart2006@yahoo.co.uk

Rathmichael Parish National School

'Active week is so much fun, fitness time for everyone'

This winning slogan from Keziah Langrell in 5th class sums up our active week. It ran from Monday 16th May until Friday 20th May.

During the week we had different sporting activities every day. These activities were: Stretch and Grow, Zumba, Basketball, Skipping, Pilates, morning fitness and Frisbee. Experts in these areas came in and took each class for a session. The children got to try new sports and skills through these classes. We also continued our normal sports of Irish dancing, football, GAA, cricket and swimming.

It was a busy week for all involved but one that is really worthwhile. The children love it and get to try out new sports. It broadens their minds and encourages them to try new things and take on new challenges. It is a fun filled week with teachers also encouraging additional exercise within their classrooms through programmes such as 'Go Noodle'.

We would like to thank all the instructors involved for their classes and enthusiasm. Active week was a great success and we will look forward to more fun and activity next year!

Zofie, Jakub and Benny Weldon represented the school at the Tidy Schools in the Community Award Ceremony in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council's offices on 26th May and collected a Certificate of Honour in Pioneering for Clean Local Environment.

A Summer Prayer

Creator God
who breathed this world into being,
who is discernible within
the harmony of nature,
the perfection of a butterfly's wing,
the grandeur of a mountain range,
the soaring eagle and humming bird,
thank you for this world
which you have created.
Thank you for summer sun,
which reminds us
that your creative breath
is still alive and active.
Thank you for the warmth of your love,
sustaining this world,
your garden

ROTAS - JUNE & JULY

CHURCH & BRASS CLEANING

DATE	CHURCH	BRASS
4th June		Susie Horn
11th	Kate Desigar	
18th	Kate Desigar	Susi Walsh
25th		Susi Walsh
2nd July	Lily Byren	
9th	Lily Byrne	Anne Markham
16th		Anne Markham
23rd	Vivien Reid	Eve McCauley
30th	Vivien Reid	Eve McCauley

CHURCH COFFEE

12th June - Family Day

26th June - Anne Golden - Gilly Goodbody

& others!

July 10th & 24th T.B.A.

CHURCH FLOWERS

5th & 12th June Denise Deane

19th & 26th Ingrid Goodbody

3rd & 10th July Corinne Hewat

17 & 24th Sonia Appelbe

SUNDAY CRECHE

5th June	Volunteer Needed
12th June	Family Service
19th June	Cara Allison
26th June	Volunteer Needed

Some of the congregation who brought their owners to the Blessing of Animals Service.

Justin Kilcullen brought the Justice Climate Candle to this service and gave a very informative talk about it and reminded us all about looking after the earth and all that is in it.

Rathmichael Parish & School Fete

Rathmichael School Grounds, Shankill.

Saturday 3rd September 2016

12.00 noon to 4.00 p.m.

Toys - Books - Refreshments - Games
Cakes - Jams - White Elephant
Good as new clothes - Bottles - Raffles
Children's Fancy Dress Competition
Baby Equipment - Sports Gear
Jazz Band - Kids Playground

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