

**SEPTEMBER 2023**

**RATHMICHAEL PARISH**

**NEWSLETTER**

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**RATHMICHAEL PARISH & SCHOOL FETE**  
**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH 2023**



Dear Parishioners,

Our much loved Rathmichael Fete is returning and the date is set for Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023. We're looking forward to continuing the success of last year's Fete and with your help we're sure to!

Here's what you can help with to once again make Rathmichael Fete a success:

**Donations of goods of all types. New or quality items that you no longer use, but only in good condition please. It costs the Parish money to dispose of other people's broken items - buyers are becoming more discerning.**

**Offers of help, before, during and after the Fete**

**Raffle prizes and bottles**

**Cakes and biscuits. Where possible home baked items are particularly welcome.**

**Sponsorship of some of our ever-growing costs**

**Offers of locations where we can display signs to publicize Rathmichael Fete**

We especially appeal to new members of the Parish to get involved and to join in this team effort. Whilst the Fete takes a lot of hard work, it is also a most enjoyable social event that you will no doubt find very satisfying and rewarding.

So please get involved. Don't be shy. Give any Fete Committee member or Stall Manager a call with offers of help.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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# RATHMICHAEL PARISH & SCHOOL FETE

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Between **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September** and **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September** only

From **7pm to 9pm** the following items can be left at

BURTON HALL, RATHMICHAEL SCHOOL

White Elephant, Collectors Corner, Books, Baby Equipment, Sports Equipment, Home Entertainment, Toys, Jewelry, Cosmetics, Soft Furnishings etc.



Between **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September** and **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September** only

From **7pm to 9pm** the following items can be left at

ERCK HALL, RATHMICHAEL CHURCH

Adult Clothes, Children's Clothes, Shoes, Bags, Hats etc



*All other stalls, bottles, plants, sweets, cakes, jams, refreshments etc. please contact the Stall Managers directly*



*We would welcome many helping hands to sort on these evenings, so please consider giving a few hours during the week of 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September.*

*On **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September** the Committee will be "setting up" Fete 2022 from 9am until dark and we would greatly welcome your assistance **at any time** during this busy day.*



*On **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>** after the Fete closes at **4pm** we would really appreciate any available help with the clearing up part of the day.*

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# ITEMS FOR DONATION

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As always, your contributions of time and goods to the stalls are vitally important. We welcome any genuine items that we can sell onwards to help with fund raising efforts for Rathmichael Parish Church & School.

As you know, recycling laws have tightened up, which affects our efforts at the Fete. We are not in a position to accept anyone's large furniture items, large electrical goods, damaged broken goods etc. It costs the Parish a huge amount to dispose of unsellable or damaged items. Whilst all suitable donations are extremely welcome, please consider carefully before donating items.

Please keep in mind, for the Clothes Stall donations of clean and in good condition adult clothes, shoes, bags, hats etc. are welcome!

**On the Baby Biz Stall baby equipment and toys (up to toddler) in good, working condition such as:**

Buggy/stroller/pram systems  
Travel cots  
Car seats/booster seats  
Walkers  
Bouncers/rockers  
Play mats  
Activity centres  
Shape sorters

**Items Baby Biz cannot accept are:**

- Large/bulky furniture such as changing tables or cots
- Broken items or soiled clothes
- No used underwear, socks or pyjamas please!

**The White Elephant Stall welcomes items in good condition such as:**

Kitchen Utensils  
Small Kitchen appliances  
Crockery  
Pictures/Mirrors/Ornaments/Candles  
Lamps/Lamp Shades  
Garage items/Tools etc

**Items White Elephant cannot accept are:**

Large Furniture items  
Large Electrical goods  
Broken or damaged goods

The Plant Stall welcomes all the 'Leafy' donations they can get. Plants that you may have had the chance to propagate, sew or dig up from your own gardens are really valued. Please don't forget to label the plants. The Plant Stall also welcomes donations of Ceramic or Teracotta pots – even the old ones lying in the back of the shed.

***We're looking forward to an enjoyable and successful Fete filled with bargains, fun and entertainment for all and look forward to seeing you there on Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>.***

***Finally, in advance of the Fete itself I would like to thank you for your support once again in 2023.***

**Dave Simmons**

**Chairperson 087 6360458**

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## ***Rathmichael Parish & School Fete Committee Members 2023***

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**RATHMICHAEL  
FETE**

**NEW**

**Introducing...**

**THE  
PARTY  
SHOP**

FORMERLY  
HOME  
ENTERTAINMENT

**COSTUMES  
FANCY DRESS  
CHRISTMAS SHOP  
SEASONAL DECORATIONS**

## STALLHOLDERS

Adult Clothes	June lawless	087 7973537
Shoes and bags	Jan Ovington	087 1334982
Baby Biz	Julie Perrin	087 6465858
Bottle Stall	Scott Wilson Barry Heaton	087 258 3263
Book Stall	Aine Halligan	087 122 8247
Collector's Corner	Anne Golden	086 4004277
Collector's Corner	Valerie Robinson	086 6023374
Games	Hanrahan Family (Kasia)	083 8036222
Wheel of Fortune	John Halligan	086 8345510
Home Entertainment	Ciaran Brady	087 7627706
Home Entertainment	Finbarr Hayes	086 3738225
Jewellery	Samantha Drohan	0879900868
Plants	Susan Stuart	087 2747471
Raffle/Sponsorship	Sue Melbourne & Claire Homan	086 3253576
Country Fayre	Heather McNally (Chawke)	086 8204165
Country Fayre	Kate McCauley	089 4696708
Refreshments	Clare Dunwoody	089 6000383
Home made food & smoothies	Fiona Ashe	087 8215806
Home made food & smoothies	Richard Marshall	086 0261188
Soft Furnishings	Frances Marshall	0872715418
Sports Centre	Peter Richardson	087 2475372
Sweets	Pia & Laura (Mark)	087 6209800
Toys	Iseult Bergin & Kim Hannigan	
White Elephant	Corinna Knaggs	0879077529
White Elephant	Fernanda Power	087 0652312



## CHURCH SERVICES - SEPTEMBER 2023

<p>The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Green</p> <p>3rd SEPTEMBER 2023</p>	<p>H.C.</p>	<p><b>MORNING PRAYER</b></p> <p>Psalm 115 Romans 12: 9-21 Matthew 16: 21-28</p>	<p><b>EVEN ING PRAYER</b></p>	<p>Ronnie Whelan</p>
<p>The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Green</p> <p>10th SEPTEMBER 2023</p>	<p>H.C.</p>	<p><b>MORNING PRAYER</b></p> <p>Psalm 149 Romans 13: 8-14 Matthew 18: 15-20</p>	<p>H.C.</p>	<p>Anne Thompson</p>
<p>The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Green</p> <p>17th SEPTEMBER 2023</p>	<p>H.C.</p>	<p><b>HOLY COMMUNION</b></p> <p>Psalm 114 Romans 14: 1-12 Matthew 18: 21-35</p>	<p><b>EVENING PRAYEER</b></p>	<p>Chris Byrne</p>
<p>The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Green</p> <p>24th SEPTEMBER 2023</p>	<p>H.C.</p>	<p><b>MORNING PRAYER</b></p> <p>Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45 Matthew 20: 1-16 Exodus 16: 2-15</p> <p>You are cordially invited to Join us for coffee after the Service</p>	<p><b>HOLY COMMUNION</b></p>	

### The United Diocese of Dublin and Glendalough



## Job Vacancy—Office Administrator Part Time



(Might suit someone returning to employment)

The Church of Ireland Dioceses of Dublin & Glendalough wishes to recruit a part time Office Administrator based in the **Diocesan Office**, Church of Ireland House, Rathmines.

#### Key Requirements:

- A willingness to be trained in accounting software.
- Good communication, written and verbal skills.
- A good knowledge in Microsoft Office / Excel.
- Ability to work on own initiative.
- A willingness to familiarise oneself with Charity Compliance and G.D.P.R.
- Must be flexible.

Applications are invited to email a CV with a covering letter outlining their suitability to Hon. Secretaries of Diocesan Councils at [djsecretary@dublinchurchofireland.org](mailto:djsecretary@dublinchurchofireland.org).



## CONFIRMATION

The young people of Rathmichael church who have been preparing for Confirmation this year, will be confirmed by the Archbishop in Christ Church Cathedral on

**Sunday 1st October.**

We are very proud of this great bunch of young people and look forward to celebrating with them in our own church later in the month.

## Ordination of Dr Mathew McCauley



We are delighted to be joining with Dr Mathew McCauley on Sunday 17th September in Christ Church Cathedral when he will be ordained Deacon by the Archbishop. Please hold Mathew, Kate, Mathew Jr and Madeleine in your prayers as they approach this significant occasion in Mathew's life.

## RATHMICHAEL PARISH GOES TO KENYA

Congratulations to our fantastic hard working team of men and women who went to Wendeche School in Kenya.

You have all worked so hard and these improvements will have tremendous benefits for the children, the staff and the local community for years to come.

Well done to you all and we look forward to hearing tales of your accomplishments etc. etc.! when you get home.

*Anne Thompson*

### And now we pray for your safe return journey

We pray the Lord will look after you as you travel both in the air and on the ground

- For wisdom and alertness for every pilot and flight attendant serving on board
- For good weather and flight conditions
- That you will have smooth and fast connections for every leg of your journey

*"The Lord will keep you from all harm*

*He will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming*

*and going both now and forevermore." – Psalm 121:8*

# SEPTEMBER ROTAS

## CHURCH FLOWERS

September  
2nd & 9th  
Charlotte Norwood

16th, 23rd & 30th  
Catherine Millar



## THE BOOK CLUB



Our next meeting is on 12th September at 7.30 pm in Marian Conboy's house.

The chosen books are :

The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak and Still Life by Sarah Winman.

We would like to welcome new members.

All enquiries to Marian 086 307 0968

## Baby & Toddler Room

Available for use  
every Sunday  
during the  
11am service



## SUNDAY CLUB



We look forward to seeing all our members when we come back later in September (dates will be advised). We will have fun learning about the people in the Bible.



### SATURDAY COFFEE UPDATE

2nd SEPT - NO SATURDAY COFFEE

9th SEPT - NO SATURDAY COFFEE

SEE YOU AT THE FETE

## CHURCH COFFEE

Sunday 24th - Susi French & Jill Fleming





# PARISH OUTING TO WATERFORD

Last autumn we had a very successful outing to Kilkenny and we are now planning a similar venture, this time to Waterford on SATURDAY 30th September.

Waterford's buildings and museums possess a fascinating history, and this trip will enable us to see examples of the great Irish crafts of silversmithing and glassmaking. The trip will conclude with a tour of Christ Church Cathedral described as the finest 18th century ecclesiastical building in Ireland.

## LIKELY PROGRAMME

- 08.30 - Depart Rathmichael church, travel by coach
- 10.30 - Arrive at Bishops Palace Waterford
- 10.30 - 11.00 Tea/coffee in Bishops Palace café
- 11.00 - 13.00 Visits to the Bishops Palace and the Medieval Museum
- 13.30 - 14.30 Lunch: Soup/sandwich/wrap/tea/coffee in Hobsons Restaurant, Tower Hotel
- 14.30 - 15.45 Visit to the Irish Silver Museum & Christ Church Cathedral
- 16.00 Depart Bishops Palace
- 18.00 Arrive Rathmichael Church

PRICE: €60/per person - Includes Coach, Tea/Coffee, Lunch and Waterford Freedom Pass (entry to the various museums).

For enquiries/booking please contact

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# RATHMICHAEL CHURCH OF IRELAND NATIONAL SCHOOL

We had a very energetic end to the term with our Active Week and Sports Day.

Thanks to Mrs. Bourne, our Active Schools Co-ordinator, for planning and organising this year's Active Week, from 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June. There were a whole range of activities – P.E., Cricket, Stretch and Grow classes, Irish Dancing, GAA, an Obstacle Course (designed and set up by Mrs. Bourne), Table Tennis and Zumba. Everyone really enjoyed getting involved. Thanks to parents and teachers who helped get the school going in the mornings with exercises.

During Active Week we held our Sports Day, run by and Ryan from Southside School Sports, which was a huge success. It was fantastic to be able to have all the parents, grandparents and past pupils with us for the day. Thanks to the parents/past pupils who helped on the day and especially to the PTA and their band of volunteers who provided food and refreshments throughout the event. Well done to all the pupils who took part and congratulations to all the winners. Cups were also presented to those pupils who have both excelled in their respective sports and have also proven to be helpful and encouraging to their classmates.



Particular congratulations to Georgie B who was the recipient of "The Griffin Cup", given to the school by former Games Co-ordinators, in Ms. Griffin's name and presented to the Sportsper-son of the Year in 6<sup>th</sup> Class – a very worthy winner. We were delighted that Ms. Griffin was able to join us for the occasion.



On 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Classes took part in a GAA Blitz, with other local schools. The girls' team won, retaining their trophy from last year and the boys won a plaque for the school – a fantastic achievement and well done to everyone who took part. My thanks to teachers and parents for accompanying them.



We held hockey matches on 26<sup>th</sup> June, between Parents and 6<sup>th</sup> Class pupils which were enjoyed by all. Thankfully there were no injuries and honours were declared even.



We had a very successful Open Day on 14<sup>th</sup> June. Parents and pupils were delighted to be able to come into school to view work undertaken and to talk to teachers. My thanks to all the staff for the hard work and effort put in for the day. There was a lovely atmosphere around the school. Thanks also to our Choir mistress, Mrs Lewis and the Choir for entertaining everyone so beautifully.

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June, in the evening, we had our 6<sup>th</sup> Class End of Term Service in Rathmichael Parish Church, organised by Rev Sean Hanily and our 6<sup>th</sup> Class teacher, Mrs Crammond. 6<sup>th</sup> Class pupils shared their memories of their time in Rathmichael and it was wonderful to see how the children have grown up and matured and are now ready to move on to Secondary School.

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, we held our End of Term Assembly to which parents were invited. Our Music teacher, Naomi Clarkson, as usual, came up with an amazing programme which really added to the occasion. It was wonderful to have two former Principals, Hazel Crawford and Caroline Senior there to present special trophies. It was great to see so many parents in attendance.

Also at Assembly, our Football Team were presented with their medals for winning their Inter Primary League without losing a match – many congratulations to them.



Finally, we had a wonderful response to our appeal for the donation of filled pencil cases which the Rathmichael Church volunteers will bring to Kenya with them in August. The target of 250 cases was reached. Many thanks to everyone who contributed.

I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August**, especially our new families.

**Naomi Rousseau**  
**Principal**



## RATHMICHAEL WALKERS

On Saturday 29th of July eight of us met at Rathmichael Church to revisit Plan A from last month. We took the Luas from Brides Glen, changing at Stillorgan for Broombridge. The journey takes an hour and fifteen minutes so it was quite late when we reached our destination.

We walked down the Royal Canal towards the City on a beautiful warm sunny day. It's always good to walk beside the water and enjoy Nature at it's best. The local people have to be applauded for keeping everything pristine for walk. At Phibsborough we left the Canal and headed down Botanic Road to the Gardens.



We saw a group of children in kayaks on the grass verge getting safety instructions prior to their lesson on the water.

Lovely to see our waterways being appreciated by our younger folks.



At Phibsborough we left the Canal and headed down Botanic Road to the Gardens. A small number of our group made a nostalgic side trip to a pub they were familiar with as children.

We visited the flowering borders (very colourful) and the amazing display of grasses (very green). When the others caught up with us, we went into the restaurant which had elements of Fawley Towers, the food was lovely but chairs and cutlery were in short supply! We were all seated eventually and enjoyed the food.



During lunch the heavens opened and we had a horrendous rain shower/squall for 10 minutes or so. We were glad to be indoors! It cleared up quickly and we went to see the rose garden, looking very well despite all the rain we had in July.



We caught a bus just a few minutes walk away. It arrived at the bus stop before we had all reached it so there was no waiting involved. We got off in O'Connell Street and caught the Luas on Marlborough Street, back to Brides Glen, where the cars were parked.

It was a very pleasant day out, particularly since the very heavy shower happened during lunchtime!

**Helen Darcy**  
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