

## Church of the Holy Name, Beechwood Avenue, Parish Newsletter 10th May 2020

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**Beechwood and Rathgar parish webcams**

Please use <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/church-of-the-holy-name> to access Beechwood link. You may access the Rathgar parish webcam at <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/the-church-of-the-3-patrons>

**Our streamed Mass schedule is as follows**

11.00am Monday, Wednesday, Friday—Rathgar

10.00am Tuesday and Thursday—Beechwood

10.00am Sunday—Beechwood

12 noon Sunday—Rathgar

*The church will be open Monday to Friday from 10.30am to 2pm*

**Mass Intentions for this week**

**Sunday 10th May**

10.00am Thomas O'Callaghan (1st A)

**Tuesday 12th May**

10.00am Patrick Rouse (RD)

Peter O'Flynn (RD)

**Thursday 14th May**

10.00am Geraldine Boland (RD)

Joan Bennett (RD)

**Sunday 17th May**

10.00am

*We ask for your prayers for the repose of the soul of Kathryn O'Moore whose funeral took place here this week. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family. May Kathryn rest in peace.*

A contemporary of St Patrick, St Maximus, wrote 'The light of Christ is an endless day that knows no night'.

Since the restrictive measures, to preserve the health of our people, were brought in, a counter sign to doom and gloom have been the wonderful, bright sun-filled days. Frocked with foliage, the trees and bushes exude vitality. They are a budding of beauty. Amidst the carnage Covid-19 is causing, a surprising surge of soul-filled service to others has surfaced. Attentive neighbourliness is abounding. Doing shopping, cooking meals, calling on phone or Skype or Zoom, are among the many pointers to a deeper sense of belonging that lies beyond the frivolous.

As Christians, we name that surge the Holy Spirit. Let us all give thanks for the light of Christ reflected in the gentle gestures of people like the nurses, holding the hands of a dying person, while that person's loved ones are barred from being present.

Sainting is not a glamour profession.

Saint Damien Molokai, - the 'Leper priest' who died aged just 49 in 1889 and whose Feast Day occurs on 10th May, let the 'Light of Christ' energise him in his care of the lepers of his day.

Let us all not only sing but live the song 'This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine'.

*Fr Paul Taylor PP*

We received some lovely messages from the families of 2nd class pupils in Scoil Bhride who were due to receive First Holy Communion here last Sunday. Fr Paul very much enjoyed celebrating the 10.00am Mass especially for the children. The 10.00am Mass next Sunday 17th May will be celebrated for the 2nd class children from Lios na nOg and it can be viewed on our webcam. We invite you all to join in and watch.

**Visits of the bereaved to cemeteries**

Glasnevin cemetery is now open to the public via the pedestrian entrance only at the junction with Slaney Road from 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm Monday through to Saturday to facilitate grave visits only. Pedestrian access to the St. Paul's section will also be available during these times. Pedestrian access is also available in Dardistown, Newlands, and Palmerstown cemeteries for grave visits only. To comply with Government guidelines, it is requested that only people who live within a 5 km radius of Glasnevin Trust cemeteries visit graves during this phase of restrictions.

Signed Mass cards are available in the Parish Office. Please contact the office if you would like us to post a Mass card to you. You can pay for them online on our website [www.beechwoodparish.com](http://www.beechwoodparish.com)

Fr Paul would like to thank everyone who has donated so generously in the past number of weeks. Your ongoing support of your local and diocesan clergy is very much appreciated in these challenging times.



Ranelagh Community Response wish to thank all of those who have donated so generously to their fund-raising appeal. They have reached their initial target of €8,000 but still need ongoing support. If you wish to donate please go to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/ranelagh-community-response>

A team of up to 60 volunteers are doing fantastic work with residents of Woodstock; between 2nd and 30th April, 1,279 meals were cooked and delivered; this week work began on tidying and weeding the gardens and planting flowers. You can follow them on Twitter at @RanelaghCR

Eastwell Residential Home, Palmerston Park (at junction with Palmerston Road), have 12 residents, and with changes to staff would be very grateful for any contributions of baking eg. Desserts, tray bakes, biscuits. Wendy has asked us to thank everyone who has baked for them this week. If you have magazines that you would like to donate she would be delighted to receive them. It is very safe to drop off donations as there is a door at the side of the house and if you ring Wendy in advance at 087 2884128 she will gladly accept your donations.



Thank you.

**Beechwood Parish Pastoral and Community Centre**

The timetable in the Parish Centre has been updated and there is now some availability for classes/activities. It is currently advertised on Daft.ie or you may contact the parish office directly at [parishoffice@beechwoodparish.com](mailto:parishoffice@beechwoodparish.com)

**Our parish newsletter**

The parish newsletter is our main means of correspondence with our parishioners. Can we encourage you to ask your neighbours and friends to be added to our weekly email circulation list. The newsletter keeps everyone up to date with church activities, community initiatives etc.

You could also print the newsletter for any neighbours who might like a copy but don't have access to a printer.

Over 60 newsletters are delivered with the weekend Meals on Wheels from Woodstock and everyone is delighted to receive them.

Donate button



The Donate button is now live on the parish website. Please see the letter attached to the newsletter email for an explanation of how it works. This button enables you to contribute —should you wish— to the various array of collections. This initiative is vital to ensure that our parish and diocese can thrive during these difficult times.