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ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

Mass is offered each First Friday for those whose names are on the Altar List. The names are placed on the altar during Mass. Include the names of your deceased loved ones on the list in the envelope supplied (will be available at the back of the church and the Parish Office during November).

The envelope can be placed in the special box at the back of the church during Mass times or can be handed into the Parish Office.



REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Thursday 9th November 2017 at 7.30pm
St. Anne's Church



We will especially remember all those in our community who have died in the past 12 months

A member or friend of the bereaved family will be invited to bring a candle to the altar in remembrance of their loved one.



We will all have the opportunity to remember our own loved ones and friends who have died during the year

There will be cards available on which the deceased person's name can be written and these also will be brought to the altar during the Service.

All Welcome

CONFIRMATION 2018

DATES FOR CONFIRMATION

St. Marnock's Friday 27 April 2018 at 11.30 am

St. Helen's Thursday 3 May 2018 at 11.30 am



MASSES IN PREPARATION

All In St. Anne's Church Sundays at 10.30am

Ritual of Commitment 19 Nov 2017

Fanning the Flame of Faith 28 Jan 2018

Ritual of Blessing 11 Mar 2018

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

in St. Anne's Church

St. Marnock's Thursday 8 Feb 2018 at 10.45am

St. Helen's Thursday 22 Feb 2018 at 7.30pm



We offer the sympathy of all parishioners to the families of

Jim Grace, Carrickhill Road
Martin McCormack, Carrickhill Drive
Gerry Blacker, The Dunes
Bernard Henshaw, The Dunes
Frank Carr, Carrickhill Heights
Jo O'Neill, Waterside Crescent
Peter Andrews, Carrick Court
Angela Rogers, St. Anne's Square

who died recently

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The **Bethany Bereavement Support Group** offers support to bereaved people by listening to them. Many Bethany members have themselves been bereaved.

We are trained to listen with understanding and are here to support anyone dealing with the very painful experience of grief.

For further information please contact Parish Office: **846 1561**

COMMEMORATION OF THE SERVANT OF GOD

FRANK DUFF

Founder of the Legion of Mary

37th ANNIVERSARY MASS

In St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Marlborough St., Dublin 1

Saturday 18th November 2017 at 3.00pm

The Most Reverend Dr. Eamon Martin,

Archbishop of Armagh

Principal Celebrant and Homilist



All are welcome



PARISH COUNSELLING SERVICE

in the Parish Centre. Payment negotiated.

By appt only. Ph: Mary Ryan 087 270 9767

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS 2018 - ST. ANNE'S PARISH



FIRST EUCHARIST 2018

DATES FOR FIRST EUCHARIST

St. Marnock's Saturday 19 May at 11.30 am

St. Helen's 26 May at 11.30 am

MASSES IN PREPARATION

All in St. Anne's Church Sundays 10.30 am

26 November 2017 (Feast of Christ the King)
17 December 2017 - 3rd Sunday of Advent
14 January 2018 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
11 February 2018 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4 March 2018 - 3rd Sunday of Lent
25 March 2018 - Passion (Palm) Sunday
15 April 2018 - 3rd Sunday of Easter
3 June 2018 - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

MUSINGS

Alone with none but thee, my God
I journey on my way:
What need I fear when thou art near,
O King of night and day?
More safe am I within thy hand
Than if a host should round me stand.

My destined time is known to thee,
And death will keep his hour;
Did warriors strong around me throng,
They could not stay his power;
No walls of stone can man defend
When thou thy messenger dost send

Anonymous
Courtesy of Intercom Magazine

HARD OF HEARING?

If you use a Hearing Aid you can avail of the "Loop" anywhere in St. Anne's church.

All you need to do is adjust your Hearing Aid settings according to your manufacturer's instructions.



TWEETS FROM POPE FRANCIS



Pope Francis

@Pontifex

4.30 am 20 Oct 2017

Let us bring the flame of Christ's love to humanity which needs true happiness and peace so much



Pope Francis

@Pontifex

4.30 am 18 Oct 2017

May artists spread the beauty of the faith and proclaim the grandeur of God's creation and His boundless love for all



Pope Francis

@Pontifex

4:30 AM - 14 Oct 2017

We are called to defend and safeguard human life, especially in the mother's womb, in infancy, old age and physical or mental disability.



Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018, guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World". Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. The event has at its heart the following key moments:

21 August 2018, a National Opening of WMOF2018, which will take place simultaneously in all the different dioceses of Ireland.

22 to the 24 August 2018, a three-day Congress. Each day will reflect on the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World" chosen by the Holy Father and will include an enriching programme for adults of keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions; an engaging and exciting programme for young people as well as fun activities for children. The Congress will also include daily celebration of the Eucharist, prayerful activities, exhibitions, cultural events and musical performances.

Saturday 25 August 2018, a Festival of Families, comprising a reflective concert style event within a prayerful and joyful atmosphere, in which personal stories of faith will be shared by families from all continents.

Sunday 26 August 2018, WMOF2018 will close with a solemn Eucharistic Celebration, that will gather thousands of people from Ireland and all over the world.

Volunteers needed!

The World Meeting of the Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of generous volunteers who will put their love and talents to service. If you would like to volunteer go to: <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer>.

Accommodation For Pilgrims

Over the years, a tradition of hosting pilgrims has grown around the World Meeting of Families. The organisers of the World Meeting of Families 2018 are now actively seeking offers of accommodation for overseas pilgrims in family homes in the Dublin area, and particularly in areas which have a good bus or rail links to the City Centre.

Applicants interested in hosting pilgrims or a family in their home, are invited to email volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie with "Host a Family" in the subject line.

Overseas Volunteers Required!



Volunteer IT/HR Admins, Montessori/Primary/Secondary Teachers, Physios, Accountants, Social Workers...all required for funded placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas experience required, no upper age limit!

Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email apply@viatoreschristi.com for more info.

What is Mission?

What does it mean to be a missionary? I have held to a variety of definitions since I first identified myself as one. When I first went out 'on mission', it was clear to me that mission was strictly limited to making disciples of all nations, to bring people in to the faith. During my first long term placement in Uganda I met my husband, who identified as a missionary, but shockingly he was a carpenter, and had never led a single Bible study. Could he truly be a missionary if his day to day work was (as I saw it) so mundane?

As I watched how he gave all of himself to build beautiful, strong buildings that would benefit so many people, my eyes were opened. He developed quality relationships with the builders he worked with, and the skills he taught them completely transformed their lives. And it was all motivated by his faith in Jesus.

On return to Europe I struggled with no longer being a missionary. I couldn't see how I could honestly respond 'I will go', and mean it, because I wasn't going anywhere!

So I redefined (again!) my concept of mission. For me, mission is bringing about the kingdom of God, wherever we find ourselves in the world. I will go, even if 'go' means 'stay'.

Louise Talbot Beirne
VMM International
Courtesy of INTERCOM Magazine

Get the shot not the flu!

Although it's no exact science, trends seen in Australia and New Zealand so far this year suggest that Ireland could potentially be facing **its worst flu season on record** this winter, leaving our already overstretched hospitals struggling to cope. Australia has reported 98,000 confirmed cases of the flu this season - more than **double** the rate recorded last year. Hospitalisations have also doubled. The most virulent strain in Australia this winter - **h3n2** - is the same strain that was prevalent in Ireland last winter, according to Dr. Kevin Kelleher, National Director of Public Health for the HSE. This strain particularly affects the elderly, leading to higher hospital admissions. However, some in Australia may have picked up and returned home with the virus from Europe, and therefore that strain may not return to Ireland this winter. According to Dr. Kelleher, "It's a classic chicken and egg situation, it's not possible yet to say what the dominant flu strain in Ireland will be this winter and what coverage the flu vaccine will provide, as we won't know until we have the first number of cases here whether the vaccine will cover them." In the winter of 2016/17 alone, the flu caused **726 excess deaths among those over-65s in Ireland.**

What is the flu & how did I get it?

Flu (influenza) is caused by the influenza virus. However, many other viruses can cause an illness similar to flu, so doctors often diagnose **a flu-like illness**. There are three types of influenza virus - A, B and C. Influenza A and B cause most of the cases of flu, a different type of virus each winter causing seasonal flu.

The flu is a highly infectious illness. A person can spread the illness by coughing or sneezing from one or two days before they develop symptoms for up to seven days after symptoms develop. The virus can live on a hard surface for up to 24 hours and on a soft surface for about 20 minutes.

The perennial question about how to tell the difference between the common cold and influenza comes down to the **severity of symptoms**. Generally speaking, a cold is much less severe (starting with a sore throat or blocked nose) and the symptoms come on more slowly, while flu symptoms come on suddenly with the main symptoms being fever, sweats, aches and pains in muscles and joints, headache, dry cough and occasionally nausea that prevent you continuing with your normal activities. Typically, symptoms are at their worst after 1-2 days and most people completely recover within 2-7 days, although an irritating post viral cough may persist for a week or two after.

The potential complications of a cold include sinusitis (pain/tenderness around the nose/eyes/forehead), middle ear infections (severe earache, temperature, vomiting) or a chest infection such as bronchitis or pneumonia (persistent severe cough, temperature, green phlegm, breathing difficulties) and all these conditions require a GP consultation and treatment. Other serious illnesses can have similar symptoms to flu when they first develop - for example, meningitis, malaria, or pneumonia. That's why your GP will ask about symptoms, recent travel, sick contacts and examine to see if you have a worrisome rash, vomiting, stiff neck, dislike of bright lights or severe headache.

General measures to keep comfortable & recover

While good hygiene practices such as washing your hands regularly, using hand sanitizers and disposable tissues (rather than fabric handkerchiefs) can help prevent infection from spreading, there is no fail-safe way to avoid picking up winter bugs, apart from considering the annual flu vaccine. So really it's about coping with the symptoms and knowing the difference between minor and serious illness. General measures to recover include staying at home as much as possible to prevent passing on the infection, taking paracetamol and/or ibuprofen to lower your temperature and ease aches and pains, drinking plenty of fluids, while decongestant drops, throat lozenges and saline nasal drops may be helpful in easing nose and throat symptoms. Parents and carers should not use over-the-counter cough and cold medicines in children under 6 years old. There is no evidence that they work and they can cause side-effects such as allergic reactions, effects on sleep, or even hallucinations.

But the flu vaccine gave me the flu?!

The 2017/18 flu vaccines contains the three strains of the virus that the WHO identifies as the strains most likely to be in circulation this season. It is an inactivated (not live vaccine) with about 40% effectiveness in those over 65, even more so in the elderly/those in nursing homes where it is 60% effective in preventing hospitalization for all causes and 70-80% effective in preventing death. The flu vaccine does not contain live flu virus so you can't actually get the flu from receiving it, although some people get a mild reaction (such as a sore arm/aches/pains) that abates in 24 hours. Often those becoming unwell afterwards had been previously infected with the virus in the days prior to receiving the vaccine. Although not as effective as other vaccines (e.g. childhood vaccines), a person's risk of getting sick with the flu, needing to see a doctor and missing work **are 40 percent to 60 percent** less than those who didn't get vaccinated. Get the facts, not the flu this winter!



*Dr. Laura's Diary is a monthly column in Progress by which I would like to inform readers about acute and chronic medical conditions and promote health and wellbeing for all Portmarnock Residents. If you have any questions, queries or comments, please email me at lauoflynn@rcsi.ie.
Dr. Laura*

Kids Corner

The dark mornings, evenings and wet cold days of winter can put everyone off venturing outdoors, adults especially! Parents often feel that by keeping their children indoors, we are protecting them from coughs, colds and more serious illnesses, when in fact it's keeping them cooped up that is more of a health risk. Rhinoviruses causing coughs and colds are passed from nose to hand and mouth, with kids picking these up whether they venture outside or not. Children need more than 60 minutes of exercise everyday not to mention the vitamin D they are exposed to from being outside. From the Velvet Strand, Paddy's Hill and Malahide Castle we are spoilt for choice for getting out and about this winter, so grab your wellies and get puddle jumping today!



The Minister for Health, Simon Harris, will be guided by a forthcoming impact analysis on whether private practice should be eliminated in public hospitals. The Government's new Sláintecare blueprint for reforming the health system calls for a ban on the treatment of fee-paying patients in public hospitals. However the proposals have been strongly condemned by IHCA which claimed they would result in hospitals being impoverished, private patients being discriminated against and lead to a mass exodus of senior doctors. The report is expected to be completed in the coming weeks.

FUN FACT - The word influenza is the Italian word for 'influence', referring to the cause of the disease - people believed that the planets, stars and moon influenced the flu. The word "influenza" was used for the first time in English in 1703.

FINGAL MATTERS

Capital Programme

The original Capital Programme for 2017 provided for estimated expenditure of €162.94m and identified 181 individual projects. The projected outturn expenditure is €115.96m across 180 projects. Whilst there are variances across most Divisions there will be big differences in the Housing, Planning and Infrastructure and Economic Enterprise and Tourism Development Divisions. The variances are due in the main to re-scheduling of certain projects.

The Capital Programme 2018-2020 identifies 179 individual projects with an estimated spend of €502.52m over the 3 years. The largest planned spend is on housing with €118m planned for next year and €334m over three years. The majority of this is anticipated to be funded through grants from central government. Full details of the capital plan are available on the Fingal website <http://www.fingalcoco.ie/>

Local community Grants

There have been several different grant schemes announced over the last number of weeks. Included in those schemes were grants from the local community development committee which amounted to between €500 and €2,500 for Comhaltas PortMearnóg, Portmarnock men's sheds and the PSLC. The Tidy Towns, PCA and Fingal were successful in being awarded a grant of €24,000 to look at a Coastal Geological and historical walk between Portmarnock and Malahide and several other clubs have been successful throughout the year. Any organisation looking to obtain grants should register with Fingal County Council Community department who frequently notify groups of funding opportunities.

Crime in car parks

There has been a considerable issue with crime particularly theft at car parks in Fingal with Howth particularly affected and Portmarnock and Malahide to a lesser extent. The Council is being asked to consider the installation of cameras at a few locations. The main question to be addressed is over the ongoing monitoring and supervision of footage and most practical way to use the cameras to help prevent, detect and solve crimes. Most victims are visitors, and it is a timely reminder not to leave valuables visible in a car if at all possible.

SSE Race Series Dublin Half Marathon

The SSE Dublin Race Series Half Marathon took place at Newbridge House, Donabate on September 23 organised by Dublin Race Series Ltd and facilitated by Fingal County Council. Participants and residents suffered considerable traffic disruption on the day. It is not unreasonable to say the event was a bit of a fiasco, with large numbers of runners being unable to make the start. An independent review is now underway with all stakeholders taking part to address issues and avoid a repeat of these problems in the future. The review is to be completed by November 1 but was not available at time of writing.

Clr. Brian McDonagh

CONGRATULATIONS!

1st IN THE WORLD

Having won the 'Young Social Innovators of 2016 and Category Award Winners of 2017', four students from Portmarnock Community School (Colin Mc Andrew, Ravikanth Gollapalli, Ahmed Jouda and Luke Peyton) were selected to represent Ireland at the SAGE World Cup held in Odessa, Ukraine August 13th 2017.



L to R: Dr Curtis DeBerg CEO SAGE; Ahmed Jouda; Ravikanth Gollapalli; Colin Mc Andrew; Luke Peyton; Rob Best COO SAGE; Olga Azarova SAGE European Coordinator.

SAGE is a non-profit organisation that supports young, emerging entrepreneurs, and provides a platform to showcase their working skills. SAGE has been running for 15 years; its main function is a competition for young people from around the world. This year it was held in Odessa, Ukraine. Thirty two countries competed at the world cup. From this, Ireland qualified for the finals alongside Chile, Canada and the USA. Team Ireland presented to a panel of 25 judges in the final, all from different fields in business and education, where they delivered a gold standard performance and achieved the coveted prize of 1st in the World!

In addition to this, the team were awarded 4 extra gold awards for the Sustainable Development Goals, as SAGE is partnered with the United Nations.

You can learn more about their project on their Social Media through #MapLesotho on their Twitter "@globalcitmtf" and their Instagram "@globalcitizensmappingthefuture" and Facebook, "Global Citizens Mapping the Future".





John Allen, a speaker from the Shaw Trust, gave a very entertaining and informative talk on music appreciation. The theme for the evening was

Broadway musicals by Oscar Hammerstein, who was an American librettist, theatrical producer and theatre director for almost 40 years. Hammerstein was the lyricist and playwright in his partnerships, his collaborators wrote the music. He co-wrote 850 songs

Throughout the 40 years, Hammerstein teamed with many composers, such as Jerome Kern, with whom he enjoyed a highly successful collaboration. In 1927, Kern and Hammerstein had their biggest hit, Show Boat, which is often revived and is still considered one of the masterpieces of the American Musical Theatre. Hammerstein is best known for his collaboration with Richard Rodgers, as the duo Rogers and Hammerstein, who together were an influential, innovative and successful musical theatre writing team. They created a string of popular Broadway musicals in the 1940s and 1950s. Five of their Broadway Shows, Oklahoma, Carousel, South Pacific, The King and I and the Sound of Music were outstanding successes. Their musical theatre writing partnership has been called the greatest of the 20th century.

Our Crafts and Fitness night was well attended by the aficionados of both activities and we are looking forward to a talk on the Dublin 'Camino'.

Dates for November—Wednesdays:

- 8th Line Dancing/Bring your own Crafts
- 15th Convenor Night
- 22nd Talk - Doreen McKittrick/Patricia Guyette, Swords Guild
- 29th Business Meeting

ARE YOU HOUSEBOUND?

Would you like to receive Holy Communion on a regular basis?

This can be arranged by contacting the Parish Office at 8461561



REMEMBER

All ceremonies held in St. Anne's Church are available to view live on the parish website: www.portmarnockparish.ie Access to the **webcam** is clearly shown in **RED** on the home page.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS



are available in St. Anne's Church at all Masses. You can approach the centre aisle at Communion time and either the priest or the Eucharist Minister will have the gluten free hosts in a special separate pyx.

If you can only receive from the chalice please approach the altar with the Ministers of the Eucharistic



Portmarnock Networking Group Needs You!

Do you want to grow your business and contribute to your Local Community?

FNI (Fingal Network Initiative)

Is now actively seeking new members to help support local business: plumbers, carpenters, shop owners, business owners, trades people etc. All are welcome!

Meetings are friendly, supportive, informal and held locally in the Portmarnock Hotel and Golf Links. So why not take up the call and come see what we all can do together! Email: info@fni.ie or visit our website www.fni.ie for more details. Not only have all our members gained business but we have also raised over €25,000 for local schools and charities!

Small ads 50c per word

SMALL ADS

Closing date 8th each month

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APPLIANCE REPAIRS WASHING MACHINES, TUMBLE DRYERS, DISHWASHERS. CALL SEAN CONLON AT 086 361 9959.

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CHILD MINDER NEEDED FOR A 10 MONTH OLD BABY IN PORTMARNOCK. NEEDS TO BE FLEXIBLE. I AM A NURSE AND I RETURN TO WORK ON JANUARY 3RD. I WORK TWO DAYS A WEEK AS A NURSE, SO I NEED SOMEONE WHO WILL TAKE THE BABY AT 6:30AM, ONE OR TWO DAYS A WEEK. DAD ALSO WORKS SHIFTS. PLEASE CALL GERARD AT 086 369 7879.

HEAVEN SCENT (PORTMARNOCK FLORIST AND GARDEN SERVICES) PORTMARNOCK SHOPPING CENTRE, STRAND ROAD. FLOWERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS-PLANTS-GIFTS. TELEPHONE 803 8887.

CHILD MINDER NEEDED FOR 5 YEAR OLD BOY FOR AFTERSCHOOL CARE 4.5 HOURS PER DAY MONDAY TO THURSDAY. LOOKING FOR SOMEONE WHO CAN DROP AND COLLECT FROM SCHOOL IDEALLY WITH CHILDREN OF SIMILAR AGE. PLEASE CONTACT ANNABEL 087 616 9727

COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY AVAILABLE LOCALLY. AREAS OF SPECIALITY INCLUDE DEPRESSION, ADDICTION, HEALTH ISSUES AND SUICIDE IDEATION. CONTACT MARIE MULLIGAN (I.A.H.I.P. ACC) AT 087 979 9057.

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD



Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAYS AFTER 10.00
MASS IN THE PARISH CENTRE
Enjoy fresh scones
and tea/coffee €2 All welcome

Parent and Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10.30 am – 12.00pm
St. Anne's Parish Centre



Citizens Information



Do you know what you're entitled to?
Employment, Health Services, Social
Welfare, Tax or Housing.

Answers for all of life's questions. **Phone 076 107 7480.**
(Malahide CIC, 2nd Floor Malahide Library Ph 845 0627)

Legal Session last Saturday of every month 10.30 am—12.30 pm



THE CRAFT CIRCLE meets 3rd Saturday every month in the Parish Centre from 10.00 am until 1.00pm. Work night— first Thursday of each month, 7.30pm - 9.30pm also in Parish Centre. You would be very welcome to come along and share your craft. For further information contact Pauline at 087 629 3744.



ARCH CLUB CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sunday 3rd December 2017

from 11.00am to 3.00pm

in the Club premises

(behind St. Anne's Church)

All welcome

PORTMARNOCK, KINSEALY AND MALAHIDE "CARE AND REPAIR"

is a group of volunteers who carry out small repairs and minor tasks e.g. minor gardening, changing plugs, cleaning windows etc. for people aged 60 plus. Where a job is too big or requires a professional tradesman we have a list of people we can recommend.

For more information please contact us on
086 865 3311

The service is FREE and we WANT to help



THE PORTMARNOCK SINGERS

and friends welcome the
Festive Season with their

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

in St. Anne's Church, Portmarnock
Sunday, 3rd December 2017 at 8.00 pm



Post concert wine and light refreshments along with some friendly chat are included in the admission price of €15



BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT GROUP

run by the local HSE Public Health Nurses.

Every Thursday 11.30—12.30 in Portmarnock Parish Centre. All Welcome. Ph 846 0311 for further information.



CONTACT DETAILS

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

91-92 Sean McDermott Street, Dublin 1.

Tel. 855 0022; email: info@svp.ie



PORTMARNOCK CHESS CLUB

New players welcome. Adults meet at 8.30 pm every Thursday in Naomh Mearnóg GAA. Blackwood Lane. Juniors (from 6 years up) meet 7.30 pm. Contact Ken 086 337 3582.

PORTMARNOCK CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

St. Anne's Parish Centre, Portmarnock

Saturday 9th December

10.30am to 7.00pm

Sunday 10th December

10.30am to 4.30pm



For Wonderful Christmas Gifts:

Jewellery

Cards

Victorian Crafts

Knitting

Home Baking

Stained Glass and lots more!

Tea and Coffee Served

PORTMARNOCK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Plants and Planting

This has happened to everybody. In March and April each year you say to yourself "I have got to remember to plant daffodils, snowdrops, bluebells and maybe a few tulips next November". Well, I am reminding you now. Get up from the TV and get out there. Plant the bulbs as deep as their height. Don't forget to plant some flowers as well. Primroses, Polyanthus and Pansies are fantastic as the new varieties seem to flower right through the winter and into the Spring. There are probably leaves still lying about – get out and clear the leaves away from the gullies on the road and keep the path in front of your house leaf free - we don't want to see anybody slipping and falling.

Tidy Towns Competition

Portmarnock won a prize as the most improved entrant in Dublin. Well done to all the volunteers throughout the village. We are improving but it will take many years before we are even at the coat tails of the top performers. We will decide on a single project on which to spend the €500 later in the year. The Beach cleaning group will be moving inland for the winter. If you have a particular project that needs tackling in terms of a clean-up contact us.

Dublin Airport

I attended a meeting of the Fingal County Council Public Participation Network meeting on planning a few weeks ago. We were informed that consultations will be taking place to develop a local area plan for Dublin Airport. Local area plans are developed for areas where extensive development will be taking place in the near future. I have requested that we be informed of the dates of public meetings and the dates for submissions and observations on the plan. This is an opportunity for people in Portmarnock to voice their concerns to our local planners. The main issues are –

- Limiting Night Flights as per the planning conditions in the Bord Pleanála decision.
- Planning Register Reference Number F014A/1755
- Bord Pleanála reference Number PL 06F 217429
- (you can find the decision by just googling the numbers)
- Noise from aircraft and the airport
- Infrastructural Deficits in the area - road improvements, rail connections, noise insulation of existing housing and public buildings etc. etc.

We will be in contact with you later to ensure that we have as many individual submissions as possible from Portmarnock. The "powers that be" are always impressed by large numbers!

Bag Pack at Dunnes Stores

Yet again the people of Portmarnock have put their hands in their pockets to assist the PCA and Tidy Towns. We collected over €2,000 on the weekend of the 22nd

October. We are very grateful to Tom Worrell and his staff in Dunnes Stores and the transition year students in the community school for their assistance on the day. This is our main source of funds each year.

Town and Village Renewal Scheme

Great news. As I mentioned in a previous month we applied for funding from the Government for a scheme to put in information boards on –

- A History Trail for Portmarnock
- Information Boards on the Sluice Marsh at the entrance to the village
- Information Boards on the Baldoyle Estuary
- A Geology Walk on the Coast Rd. between Portmarnock and Malahide
- The Dune system of the Velvet Strand at the beach entrance Promenade and in the Car Park on Golf Links Rd.

We were awarded €24,000 to undertake this work. One third of the funds will be used to develop information on all aspects of the project which will be put up on a website which can be accessed at each board using a QR Code on a mobile or using a lap top or PC at home. The remaining funds will be used to develop the graphics for the boards and to put the boards in place. We are looking forward to working with Fingal County Council who will be administering the funds for the project and assisting us in locating the boards.

Culture Night

A great night was had by all in the Parish Centre on Culture Night 22nd September. The focus of the evening was the amazing collection of dried specimens of Wildflowers and Seashells gathered in Portmarnock by Maura Hughes over the years. She has compiled the collection into beautiful books and a collection of shells which have won awards both in Ireland and Europe. Her initial inspiration was a promotion by Bisto to encourage children in National Schools to become interested in nature. Both she and many children have continued their interest. One Portmarnock past pupil is now developing a botanic gardens in the Middle East at present! See some photos on facing page which give a flavour of the evening enjoyed by all those who attended. It was wonderful to have our own 'Culture Night' which we hope will continue to be an annual event hosted by the Parish Centre. Thanks to all in the Centre who facilitated the evening and provided the lovely refreshments.

Contacting the PCA: If you wish to contact the PCA on any issues in our community or volunteer for any of our committees why not call us 087 248 6287 (leave a message) or email portmarnock1@gmail.com. You can visit our website/Facebook at www.portmarnock.org

CULTURE NIGHT



Maura Hughes pictured with Pat Suttle, Chairman of the Portmarnock Community Association who

introduced her on Culture Night. Maura had been inspired by an article by Pat in the PCA News in Progress—seeking out like-minded people interested in the amazing flora in our beautiful area—and responded with an article of her own in a following issue of Progress.

Seán Colgan, Chairman of Portmarnock Parish Pastoral Council then invited Maura to share her publications and displays as Portmarnock's contribution to Culture Night 2017.



Studying the beautiful exhibits

L to R: Liz Redmond, David Sweeney, Garry Ahern, Elizabeth Byrne and Angela Lawton



The covers of 2 of the books which were on exhibition, which Maura illustrated herself.



Some of Maura's amazing collection of shells

DIARY DATES

NOV	Thurs 9	Remembrance Service	1
	Sat 18	Frank Duff Anniversary Mass	2
	Sun 19	Preparation Mass for Confirmation	2
	Fri 24	St. Pio Devotions	12
	Sun 26	Preparation Mass for First Eucharist	2
DEC	Fri 1	Healing Mass Kinsealy	12
	Sun 3	Arch Club Christmas Fair Portmarnock Singers Christmas Concert	7
	Sat/Sun 9/10	Portmarnock Christmas Craft Fair	7
2018	Sat/Sun	World Meeting of Families	3

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This went on for several years.
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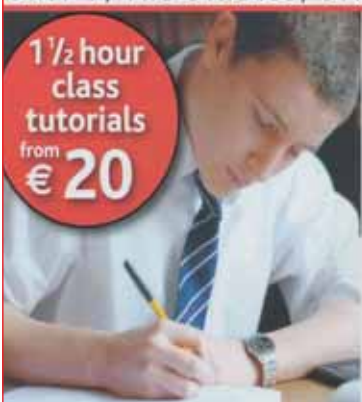


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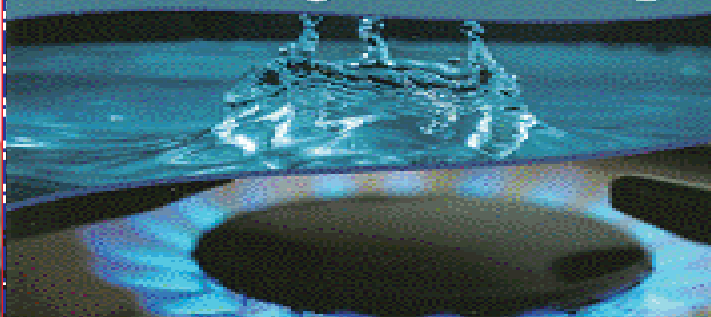
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Saturday 6.30pm	Portmarnock	
Sunday 9.00am	Carmelite Convent	Yellow Walls 9.30 am Mon to Thurs 9.30 am Fri <i>(Svce of Word)</i>
Sunday 10.00am	Malahide	
Sunday 10.30am	Portmarnock & Yellow Walls (Family Masses)	Kinsealy 10.00 am Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri
Sunday 11.00am	Kinsealy	
Sunday 11.15am	Malahide	Malahide 10.00 am Mon to Sat
Sunday 12.00 noon	Portmarnock & Yellow Walls	
Sunday 12.30pm	Malahide	Portmarnock 10.00 am Mon to Fri
Sunday 5.30pm	Malahide	



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Confessions Saturdays after 6.30 pm Mass.

Baptisms are held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 12.00 noon. From January 2018, the Baptisms will usually be held on the 1st Saturday at 12.00 noon and 3rd Sunday at 1.30 pm. Preparation Meeting for parents and godparents held usually on last Wednesday of each month in Parish Centre. See more details on website or contact Parish Office.

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OTHER DEVOTIONS

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FRIDAYS: First Fridays Healing Mass 10.00 am in KINSEALY

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BAPTISMS

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Diego Harris Pérez, Elnor Court
Isabelle Louise Sheridan, Pinecourt
Rian Christopher Reede Keogh, Ardilaun

REVISED DATES FOR BAPTISMS

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