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Today is the first day of September which is the beginning of the season of autumn. The poet John Keats described autumn as the "season of mists and mellow fruitfulness". Autumn is the time for the harvest, the gathering of crops into barns as preparations are made for the coming winter. In some churches there is a celebration of the harvest festival as we thank God for the gift of the food that we eat.

Today we are reflecting on the Archbishop's new pastoral letter *Building Hope with Open Hearts* which was published this week. He says: "Our faith calls us to opening our hearts, not only to renewing our own commitment to Christ, but to rediscovering our parishes and partnerships of parishes as places of mission."

I am often amazed by the number of people in ministry in the Church who will say that their work began when someone approached them and invited them to become involved with a particular group or parish activity. We should never underestimate the power of a personal invitation. And, if we are on the receiving end of such an invitation, we should reflect on whether it is the right moment in our lives to accept it.

As we start to see the beautiful, vibrant colours of the autumn leaves, let us consider how we might use our gifts and talents for the benefit of others in our parish community, especially those who are most in need. This is a task that we can only accomplish by working together and using all the talents of our parish community.

As Archbishop Farrell writes to us this week: "We are called to encourage each other...this will mean facing up to the resistance that often surfaces when we need to change". He adds, "Let us look at the church with the eyes of God. Let us find our way step by step, working more deeply together as we build our partnerships of parishes embracing the road the spirit is bringing us on."

Deacon Gerard

Building Hope

Copies of Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral Letter is available at the back of the Church

MASS TIMES

On occasion Mass Times in the Partnership may be subjected to change at short notice. Please consult the Parish Website for information

RECENT COLLECTIONS

Common Fund	€ 1,203
Share	€ 750
Lourdes Pilgrimage	€ 3,295

Sincere thanks for your continued support.

WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased
Mary Dolan, Ardilaun
Kitty Finnegan, St Anne's

Saturday, 31 August, 6.30p.m

Paul Ennis,[4th A]; Frances Tobin,[A];

Sunday, 31 August, 12 noon

Hugh Murray,[Month's Mind];
Terence Mongan,[Month's Mind];
Terry O'Hagan,[A]; Mary Penrose,[A];
Joe & Katheen Fitzpatrick,[A];
Patrick & Mary McEntee,[A];
John & Mary Gallagher,[A];

PORTMARNOCK CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

The Portmarnock Charismatic Prayer Meeting will resume Wednesday, 4th September, at 8.00pm, in Teallach Áine. This prayer meeting is for everyone. Please join us for an evening of music, prayer and Scripture. All are very welcome.

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

- Will take place on September 29th

Depart 7.30a.m. return 9.30p.m.

For further information contact Angela Keavney at 0863296721 or John Hughes at 0862542883.

MEALS ON WHEELS PORTMARNOCK

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED –

If you have a couple of hours to spare once a month, please contact Benita - 087 679 8673; Frank - 086 3726989

IRISH GIRL GUIDES PORTMARNOCK

Can you help? -

Volunteers needed.

We are looking for adult volunteers to help with our Ladybird Unit on **Thursdays 5.30pm – 6.30pm**. Ladybirds are aged 5½ years. We are also looking for volunteers for our Jubilee Brownie unit which meets on **Wednesday 5pm - 6.30pm**. Brownies are aged 7½ -10½ years. We have lots of girls on our waiting lists but need more **Volunteer Leaders**. Please contact :-email: rdoer@irishgirlguides.ie
Anita 089 509277 or June 0876527979



ART CLASSES

Fingal Adult Education Service in partnership with St. Anne's Afternoon Club

9th September in St. Anne's Parish Centre.

open to Fingal residents aged 55 years of over.

Group 1 – Monday 10am-12.30pm

Group 2 – Monday 1.3p.m. – 4p.m.

Fee: €40 Contact Brenda White, 087 978

TALBOT BRIDGE CLUB

Talbot Bridge Club Malahide is resuming **September 5th at 7.30pm** and is open for new members. The club is at the Presbyterian Hall on Dublin Road opposite the Cricket Hall. 7.30-10.15pm. Membership is €40 for the year and €5 weekly table money. Drop in any Thursday evening for inquiries. Contact Mary: 086 3709937

STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before September 7th. Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com

"**TASTE OF DCU**," is now available. Join us on **Wednesday, September 4th** at the School of Nursing, Psychotherapy, and Community Health, DCU Glasnevin. This event is specifically designed

for older adults to experience the vibrant life at DCU, Ireland's leading Age-Friendly University. Whether you're looking to upskill, explore new hobbies, or engage in research, this event offers something for everyone. You'll have the opportunity to attend a range of fascinating presentations, lectures, and workshops, meet our dedicated staff and students, and hear firsthand from seasoned participants about their experiences at DCU.

GOLF CLASSIC FUNDRAISER

Arthur Mc Cluskey Foundation

Helping The Poor In Bosnia + Herzegovina.

Friday 13th September 2024. This is an invitation to our Auction & Raffle starting at approx 8.00pm in Malahide Golf Club, Admission Free. Lots of Raffle prizes and really great Auction Items.

Please come and support the Poor of Bosnia + Herzegovina who are still suffering after the War in Yugoslavia from 1991 to 1995. 100 % of all funds raised go to the projects we support, because we as Directors pay all expenses out of our own pockets. For further information contact Derek Farrell, mobile: 0862573824 .



ST BERNADETTE - RELIC PILGRIMAGE

In September and October, the relics of St Bernadette will visit three churches in Dublin:

Our Lady of Victories,

Ballymun Road, September

25-26; Mary Immaculate, Inchicore, October 23-

24; and Adam & Eve's, Merchants Quay, October

25-26. For more information www.stbernadette.ie

BAYSIDE ALPHA are hosting on Zoom Bishop Barron's 6 week film series '**Conversion -**

Following the Call of Christ', starting on Sunday the 15th of September from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

Bishop Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through Him. To join this

free course email Paul

- alphabayside@gmail.com.