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Corpus Christi

18 June 2017

Masses During the Week

Mon 9.00 am Tue: No Mass.

Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am

Sat: 10.00 am

Cemetery Masses

June cemetery Mass this Wednesday night in Rathclaren at 8.00 pm. Before Mass there will be the blessing of a plaque erected in memory of the unbaptised babies buried there in previous generations. This was commissioned by the last Parish Assembly. Plaque was inscribed by John Michael Foley and is on a plinth designed and built by Pakie O'Neill. A similar plaque has been made and delivered for Kilbrittain Cemetery and it is hoped to have it in place for the cemetery Mass in August.

The July cemetery Mass in Currowrane will be on Wed 12th of July, brought forward a week from the date on the Parish Calendar owing to my planned absence the following week...

Adoration

Owing to Mass arranged for our outgoing Sixth Class and their families at 12.00 noon on this Monday, Eucharistic Adoration will finish at 11.45 am. Apologies for not having remembered adoration when arranging the date for this Mass.

Volunteers are needed to join the rota for Adoration during the hour of 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm on Wednesdays. Contact Fr Cremin or Bernie Lyons.

Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina will be held every Thursday night at 8:00 in Farnagark for the month of June. Come and join us for an interesting hour. All welcome. For more info please call Majella on (087) 796 5321

Corpus Christi Procession

Immediately after 10.30 Mass this Sunday. Eucharistic Adoration will follow until 8.00 pm. Thanks to those who have already committed themselves to keep watch with the Lord for part of the time. Please try to find time to adore the Lord in Exposition during the evening.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society
Day Pilgrimage to Knock on Sat 24th June,
contact Cormac O'Connor Coaches for details

Fr Jerry's 40th Jubilee

The Parish Assembly would like to thank everyone who helped make last Sunday's celebration a huge success. It was great to see such a huge crowd - thank you for being there. Thanks to the children who took part in the Mass, to Kilbrittain Scouts and the Folk Choir. Thanks to those who donated baking and helped out in the hall; to the musicians who played beautifully and to John for the sound equipment; to Siobhán for the cake and to Donie for photos. Thanks also for contributions to the presentation.

Congratulations again to Fr Jerry.

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BAPTISMS:

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

Kilshinihan Church

We find the first reference to Kilshinihan Parish at the Synod of Kells 1152 and it has featured in Church documents in almost every century since. It now part of Kilbrittain Parish and the walls of its chapel, which is situated in Mrs Burke's farm, are still in fairly good condition. The whole building and the means of access to it. however, are seriously impeded by vegetation. It is hoped to have the sacred site cleared sufficiently to enable a Mass to be celebrated there in August. To this end, many people living in the locality, both Kilbrittain and Timoleague parishioners, have responded eagerly to approaches made to them for voluntary labour. These will be meeting at Kilshinihan Mass Rock on Tue evening next at 8.00 pm to make plans and accept ideas. Anybody who might be interested from any part of either parish would be enthusiastically welcomed to that meeting.

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Our Cruciform Stained-glass Window

Stanley Tomkin, a member of a British stained-glass manufacturing family, came to Ireland in the 1940s to work for the firm of AW Lyons in 20 Westland Row, Dublin. He later set up his own company, 'Irish Stained Glass', with his wife Diana. This has now passed to their son, Alan, and wife Barbara.

While working for AW Lyons, one of the commissions Tomlin executed was a set of three windows for the sanctuary in the chapel of the Irish Glass Bottle factory in Ringsend. These comprised a window made in the shape of a cross ('cruciform') with a smaller window on each side containing the Christian symbols XP and IHS. It has now emerged that he also, at that time or shortly afterwards, made a copy of the cruciform window.

When the Irish Glass Bottle company closed in 2002 the premises, including the chapel, were demolished. (Part of the site was bought by a state agency for an extravagant sum during the boom and political repercussions still make the news from time to time.)

Paul Carton, a web-based journalist in Ringsend, has researched the fate of the three windows from the Irish Glass Bottle chapel and which were rescued by Alan Tomlin at the time the chapel was demolished. One of the side windows is in the chapel at the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital on Adelaide Road. The other side window is stored in Alan Tomlin's workshop in Sandyford. The cruciform window, according to Tomlin, was badly damaged and is not in his possession, having been sold off privately to a Birmingham collector.

However, Paul Carton has discovered that the copy of the Ringsend cruciform window was in some manner secured for St Patrick's church Kilbrittain shortly after it was made. Some weeks ago he phoned asking me to confirm this, which I was able to do based on the inscription which is scratched in very small letters on the bottom right hand piece of glass: 'A W Lyons Ltd. 20 Westland Row, Dublin. 1951'. This week, Paul has acknowledged the authenticity of the window and his account can be found on his website at http://www.newsfour.ie/2017/06/a-sneak-peek-at-stained-glass/



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