

**LISTEN, MR POPE!**

Pope Francis says ...

"No one is the most important person in the Church, we are all equal in God's eyes.

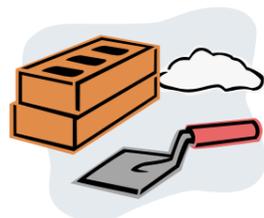
Some of you might say 'Listen, Mr Pope, you are not our equal'. Yes, I am like each one of you, we are all equal, we are brothers and sisters!

Some people say 'I have nothing to do with the Church'; but in this way the **BRICK OF A LIFE** in this beautiful Temple is left out.

**Your Parish Needs YOU!**



**N**o one can go away, we must all bring the Church our life, our heart, our love, our thought and our work: all of us together."



**Our Parish needs YOUR Brick**

*(It might not be someone else's job)*

Ministers of the Word

Church Cleaners

Pray & Play

St Vincent de Paul

Ministers of the Eucharist

Welcome Ministry

Church collectors

Artists

Prophets

Altar Servers

Prayer Guides

Legion of Mary

Search for Justice

Adult Faith and Spirituality

Bereavement Support

Young Adult Outreach

St Joseph's Young Priests Society

Lourdes Pilgrimage Group

Mother and Toddler Group

Many Others ...

**EVERYONE**



**We're**

**ALIVE**

**with the**

**FIRE**

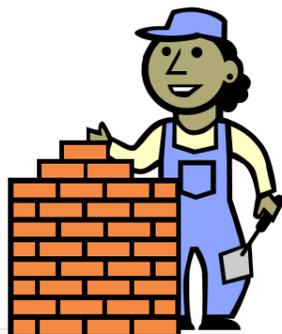
**of the HOLY**

**SPIRIT**

**URGENT NEED — Parish Webpage**

We are redesigning our parish webpage. We want it to be innovative, relevant, vibrant and lively. For this to happen we need to assemble a team of parishioners who have the skills to keep the page updated. If this is a brick that you have, please consider bringing it to our parish.

We **URGENTLY** need this.



**EVERYONE**

**EVERYONE ...**

- ◇ Settled Community
- ◇ Travelling Community
- ◇ Irish Parishioners
- ◇ Non-Irish Parishioners
- ◇ Disabled
- ◇ Able bodied
- ◇ Young People
- ◇ Not so Young People

**Weekend Mass Intentions:**

**St Brigid's Church:**

**Saturday 6pm:** William, James & Annie Keegan

**Sunday 11am:** Josie Donovan

**St. Patrick's Church:**

**Saturday**

**6.30pm:** Paul Nugent, Madeline Beatty

**Sunday**

**8.30am:** Seamus & May Walsh

**9.30am:** Matthew Tuite & daughter Rosemary

**11am:** Mary Gannon

**12.30pm:** Sean O' Connor

**7pm:** Frank, Kitty & Francie Brabazon

**Weekday Mass Intentions**

**Mon 17th 10am** Seamus Henry **7pm** Special Intention

**Tues 18th 10am** Special intention **7pm** Kitty Carton

**Wed 19th 10am** Special Intention **7pm** Patricia McLoughlin

**Thur 20th 10am** Special intention **7pm** Tim & Mary Cotter

**Fri 21th 10am** Bernie and Mary Kate McDonagh **7pm** Annie Gough

**Sat 22nd 10am** David & Josephine O'Sullivan

**PLANNED GIVING:** Weekly Envelope Collection: €2,095.08. Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

**TEA, ANYONE?**

**Calling all 10 am weekday Mass attenders**



On **Wednesdays**, after 10 am Mass, there will be a cup of tea offered in the back sacristy. This will be a chance to meet with others who come to the Mass. There will even be scones ! Everyone is welcome.

Join us for the very first gathering of our "Food for the Soul" Bookclub on Friday 28th February @ 10.45 am in Wellsprings. You are welcome to share in a cup of tea and some spiritual nourishment, as we share thoughts on our very first book choice, written by Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel ...

**St Joseph's Young Priests Society** monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday 19th February at 7.30pm in the sacristy. New members from Straffan and Celbridge very welcome.

**Wellsprings - Holy Faith Convent UNDERSTANDING THE MASS**

A 4 week course on the Mass

Mondays 7.45 -9.15 p.m.

Dates: 17th, 24th February, 3rd, 10th March

Presented by: Sr. Olive Cullen, PhD (Theology)

Cost: 4 nights 20 EURO

**Next TAIZE PRAYER,**  
28th February, 8 p.m.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's world there is a real danger with the difficulties that are experienced in marriages, with the unfortunate failure of many marriages which had set out full of hope, that we ourselves begin to be trapped into feeling that marital fidelity is only for the few and the fact that many do not make it means that we should not challenge all to try to make it.

This is not the case and cannot be the case. We who are believers committed to the ideal of Christian marriage must learn a new language which enables us stand up, celebrate and proclaim our vision of marriage in a manner which is neither negative nor judgmental toward those who fail to reach those ideals. The sacrament of marriage needs visible witness, not just on the wedding day but all through the journey of life. Christian marriage is and will always remain an ideal, a challenge. It is a risk but a risk we know worth taking and is supported by the power of Jesus given in the Sacrament of Marriage. If we believers in the sacrament of marriage do not speak out on its behalf future generations will never know the true notion of love, that is, self-giving. They will never know that self-giving becomes fulfilling and life giving, that self-centeredness only leads to narcissism and self-destruction.

ACCORD Dublin is an agency of the Dublin Diocese created to help a man and a woman work towards the achievement and fulfilment of their marriage vows of love and fidelity to each other, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health as long as they both shall live; an agency that seeks to support and speak out in support of the institution of marriage; an agency that works with couples helping them prepare for the sacrament of marriage; an agency that continues to help couples on their journey together through life.

ACCORD services are offered on a needs only basis and not on people's ability to pay. Most ACCORD clients make a donation but this alone is not sufficient to fund the service. For many years now the monies raised from this annual Church collection have been a key support of ACCORD's work. And I am coming to you again this year to ask you to contribute whatever you can afford towards this excellent and much needed service so that they can continue to be there for those in need of help.

With deep gratitude for your continuing generosity, I remain, yours in Christ,

+ Diarmuid Martin

Archbishop of Dublin

**If you can help build our parish ...**

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