

Most Holy Rosary Parish, Midleton

Parish Newsletter June 10th 2018

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Anniversaries (RIP): Andy Lynch, Richard Dunlea, Anthony Burke, Peter & Olive Glasson (Nee Savage), Billy O'Brien, Anne McCarthy, Jimmy Grandon, Pauline Stack, Michael Quinn.

Eucharistic Adoration: Adorers required for the following hours. Saturdays 3pm-4pm. Tuesdays 1pm-2pm. Thursdays: 12 noon-1pm. Please contact 021-4632937.

Holy Rosary Faith Camp for Children. 9th - 13th July. 9:30am-2:30pm each day. Games. Singing. Drama. Bible stories. Venue: St Brigid's P.S., Midleton. €40 for first child in family, €30 for additional children. Tel: Deirdre 086 0853535 or Fr Eamon Roche 086 9972539. Application forms: Parish Office or www.midletonparish.ie

Ballinacurra Grotto Rosary Every Wed 8pm.

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group - Bible reading, charismatic hymns, prayer, fraternity. Tuesdays. 8pm, Edmund Rice Centre. Willie: 0867713976.

Corpus Christi procession: Thanks to all who helped make the Corpus Christi procession such a wonderful occasion.

World Meeting of Families Collection: The Bishops' Conference has asked for a special collection next weekend, 16th/17th June to help defray the cost of the Pope's visit in August. Our contribution will come from the second collection next Sunday, please be generous.

Notable Feasts in the Coming Week: Saint Antony of Padua, Priest, Doctor: Wednesday 13th June. St. Anthony of Padua (1195-1231) was a Portuguese priest famous for his gifted preaching. He originally planned to join the Augustinian Order, but when he saw the bodies of the first Franciscans to be martyred for their faith, he was filled with an intense desire to become a missionary — and, he hoped, a martyr — himself. After joining the Franciscans, he preached to the Moslems of North Africa for a time, but a serious illness forced his return to Europe. Anthony attended an ordination at a monastery; through an oversight, no one had been assigned to preach. When it was hurriedly suggested that Anthony do so, he humbly but hesitantly obeyed — with amazing results. Anthony's years of prayer, study of Scripture, and poverty allowed God's Spirit to speak through him in a very powerful way. His unprepared sermon was a sensation, and for the remaining nine years of his life, Anthony travelled about preaching, correcting errors, and upholding the Church's true teachings. His

words had an impact on both the learned and the simple, and helped many return to the faith. A great Scripture scholar and theologian, Anthony was the first Franciscan to teach theology to the other friars. He died while still young, and was buried at Padua. St. Anthony was canonized the year after his death in 1231, and was later declared a Doctor (an eminent and reliable teacher) of the Church.

World Meeting of Families – Aug 21st – 26th

Registrations and Ticketing: RDS Pastoral Congress the registrations for the Pastoral Congress in the RDS are increasing each day. As of this week we can see that we have 29,000 registrations in the system for the Pastoral Congress. These are a mixture of one day and three day registrations. Of this figure we can see that we have large numbers of families who will be us for one or three days and we can see that there will be more than 5,000 children present in the RDS. Registrations from within Ireland are increasing all the time and we are still looking at really good numbers from international attendees.

We no longer have the option for people to book a single day registration for the Friday (24th) in the RDS. This is due to the high numbers of registrations that we have for the Friday and that are continuing to come in. While we are very close to reaching capacity on the Friday, we can still offer people the option for the Friday as long as it is part of a booking for the full three days. There is also the possibility that we will have to close off one day only registration very soon for the Wednesday and the Thursday.

In light of the above numbers, it is important to encourage those whom you know wish to go to the RDS event to make their booking as soon as possible since there is every possibility that we will reach capacity for the RDS before the event begins in August.

World Meeting of Families – Croke Park & Phoenix Park

Details of tickets for Croke Park (Sat 25th Aug) and Phoenix Park (Sun 26th Aug) are still being worked on. Tickets for the Festival of Families and the Closing Mass will be allocated to those who have requested them at the time of their RDS Pastoral Congress booking.

For Croke Park, an allocation for each parish will be made so that at least one family from each parish in the country can be present. Details about the distribution of remaining tickets for Croke Park will issue shortly.

The distribution of remaining tickets for the Closing Mass at Phoenix Park (Sun 26th Aug) is still being worked on in consultation with the statutory authorities and as we await final confirmation of the papal itinerary.