

attempt on Pope John Paul II on May 13<sup>th</sup> 1981 in St Peter's Square in Rome, the Feast day of the apparition. Pope John Paul later attributed his miraculous survival to the intervention of our Lady. Afterwards, he wrote a special prayer called an "Act of Entrustment to Our Lady", which includes the words:

*"Take under your motherly protection the whole human family which with affectionate love we entrust to you O mother. May there be for everyone, a time of peace and freedom: a time of truth, of justice and of hope."*

At Fatima, Our Lady reminds us that our future is in God and that we are active and responsible partners in creating that future. Let us pray to Our Lady of Fatima for the world of our times which has its own challenges and difficulties. We especially remember the victims of the recent terrible terrorist incidents in Manchester and London. And let us also pray for those amongst us who are sitting school and college exams at this time that they may be enlightened through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima and that our own work may be fruitful and overflow in benefits and blessings to others.

As Pope Francis reminded us in Fatima:

*"God created us to be a source of hope for others, a true and attainable hope, in accordance with each person's state of life."*

The message of Fatima is a message of hope, of the assurance that Our Lady continues to journey with the Church in our times and is attentive to and aware of our struggles, disappointments and difficulties.

Pope Leo the Great once said, "Jesus is the hand of God's mercy stretched out towards us".

Let us embrace this mercy as we reflect on the message of Our Lady of Fatima from one hundred years ago. Gerard Reilly

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Lúcia Santos with her cousins Jacinta & Francisco Marto 1917

## PARISH OF LARKHILL/WHITEHALL/SANTRY



# NEWSLETTER



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### Pope Francis at Fatima:

*"God created us to be a source of hope for others"*

**11th June 2017**

Pope Francis went to Fatima on May 13<sup>th</sup> for the canonisation of two of the visionaries, Francisco and Jacinta. The Pope made the following remarks during his homily:

*"We have gathered here to give thanks for the countless graces bestowed over these past hundred years [in Fatima]. All of them passed beneath the mantle of light that Our Lady has spread over the four corners of the earth....We can take as our examples Saint Francisco and Saint Jacinta, whom the Virgin Mary introduced into the immense ocean of God's light and taught to adore him."*

When speaking about Fatima in 2000, Saint John Paul II said:

*"The message of Fatima is a call to conversion. Our final goal is heaven, our true home, where the heavenly Father awaits everyone with his merciful love."*

The year 1917, when the Fatima apparitions occurred, was a very auspicious and important one in world history coming as it did a year before the end of the First World War in 1918 and just a few months before the Bolshevik Revolution in Russia in October 1917. Both major historic events which shaped the course of our world for many decades that followed. There were six apparitions in Fatima to Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta between May and October 1917. I visited Fatima in 2015 and found it a very prayerful and holy place.

The message of Fatima is a powerful antidote to the chaos of the world at that time. It is undoubtedly, the most prophetic of modern apparitions predicting the damage that Communism would do to humanity through the twentieth century.

There was an assassination

**We welcome in Baptism:**  
**Jorja Ann Moran**  
**Martin William Reardon**  
**Oliver Thomas Butler Ormsby**



*May these newly baptised children always know and love Jesus as their friend.*



**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO  
 LOURDES**

**7th -12th September 2017**

**Hotel Solitude \*\*\*\***

**5 Nights – Full Board**

**Fully Inclusive Price €725**

**In conjunction with the**

**Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage - (single room subject to confirmation – supplement €175)**

**To book please contact Anne in the**

**Parish Office Tel: 8375274**

**Dardistown Cemetery Mass  
 Sunday, 2nd July 2017.**

This annual Mass is a huge undertaking for our Parish and many people are required to help our Parish Team. We invite Ministers of the Eucharist to volunteer to minister at this Mass. We also require people to accompany each Minister carrying an umbrella (this will enable people attending the Mass to see clearly where each Minister of the Eucharist is standing during the distribution of the Blessed Sacrament). Maybe each Minister could bring along another person to help with this. People are also needed to help with the Collection before and after the Mass. If you can help in any way please leave your name and contact details on the list available on the table in the Parish Centre or with the Sacristan in the Church of the Holy Child or in Blessed Margaret Ball. Our sincere thanks for your continued help with this special Mass in our Parish.

**Cemetery Masses 2017**

**11th June - St. Fintan's – Mass at 3.00p.m.**

**18th June – Fingal – Mass at 12.00p.m.**

**25th June – Glasnevin – Mass at 3.00p.m.**

**2nd July – Balgriffin – Mass at 12.00p.m.**

**2nd July - Dardistown – Mass at 3.00p.m.**



**Eternal City, Rome**

**Thurs 28th Sep –Tues**

**3rd Oct 2017**

**Mgr. John Fitzpatrick**

**will lead our tour to Rome. Hotel Domus Carmelitana 3\*** is centrally located in Rome about 10 mins walk from St. Peters. **Price €799.00 per person sharing B & B. For more information and to book please contact Anne in the Parish Office. Tel: 01 8375274. Booking subject to availability. Few places remaining.**

**SACRED HEART NOVENA**

The Parish of St. John Vianney, 95 Ardlea Road, Artane, Dublin D05 TH79 will be celebrating a Novena to the Sacred Heart from 15th - 23rd June. There will be a Mass with an invited celebrant and preacher each day at 10.00am., except Sunday, as well as a Holy Hour on Thursdays 15th & 22nd June at 7.30pm. Confessions after each service. Blessed Sacrament Procession on Wednesday, 21st after 10am. Mass.

All Welcome.

**Recently Deceased**

You are asked to remember in your Prayers:

**Fr. Jack Lynch – former Parish Priest from Kilmore Road West Parish.**

*May he enjoy perfect peace and reconciliation in the presence of God.*



**Mass Intentions for the coming week Church of the Holy Child**

Monday 12th June	9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m.	Available for Intention
Tuesday 13th June	9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m.	Available for Intention
Wednesday 14th June	9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m.	Available for Intention
Thursday 15th June	9.15a.m.	Available for Intention
	7.00p.m.	Sheila O'Callaghan R. I. P.
Friday 16th June	9.15a.m. & 7.00p.m.	Available for Intention
Saturday 17th June	10.00a.m.	Available for Intention
	Vigil 7.00p.m.	Annie Burke (Month's Mind)
		Joe Lacey (1st Anniversary)
		Kevin Lee, Myles Goggins, Debbie Smith, (Anniversaries),
		People of the Parish
Sunday 18th June	11.15a.m.	John O'Rourke (Anniversary)
	12.30p.m.	Jimmy Rackard, Gerald Jordan (Annivs.)
	6.00p.m.	
		<b>Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball</b>
Wednesday 14th June	10.00a.m.	Michael & Bridget Durkin (Anniversaries)
Sunday 18th June	10.00a.m.	Available for Intention



**Please Support your Parish Lotto**

Last Tuesday's winning numbers were:

1st Jackpot: 2 9 12 16 2nd Jackpot: 3 14 16 22

No Jackpot winner.

The winners of the Seven Consolation prizes were:-

B. & C. Carroll: P. Grogan: J. McKeivitt: A. Madden:

L. McMullan: A. McChesney: A. Farrell.

The winners of the Five Special Prizes of €100 were:-

M. Adderley: M. Hanrahan: H. McChesney: P. Horgan: T. Purdue.

**Next Draw: 1st Jackpot €8,500 2nd Jackpot €2,000**

**Plus Seven Consolation Prizes of €25.**



**Anniversary Frame** - If your loved one has an anniversary coming up please consider giving their name to the Sacristan. The name will then be put in the Anniversary Frame, placed on the Altar and prayed for at all Sunday Masses. It's a lovely way of remembering our deceased family members and loved ones. A small donation is expected.

**Life to the Full (Jn. 10:10) Book Club** Join other young adults (20's & 30's) each week to meditate, share & discuss life, faith purpose & how to live life to the full. We read a chosen spiritual book over a few weeks & come to reflect and discuss our thoughts. Every Thursday 7.00– 8.30p.m. St. Paul's Church, Arran Quay, Smithfield.

**Ewe Thina: We Walk God's Way. Young Adults (20s & 30s)** embrace God in nature, build true friendships & get fit. Saturday June 17th 11am at Bray Dart Station.

**Church Gate Collection** this weekend is in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul