

**PARISH LINK— 3rd/4th June —also on website www.enniskerryparish.ie
- welcome to our Sunday Celebration**

Masses 3rd/4th June

Saturday St. Mary's 6pm:

Sunday St. Mochonog's 10am:

Sunday St. Patrick's 10am

Sunday St. Mary's 11am

William Cronin (3rd A)

June 10th/11th June

Saturday St. Mary's 6pm

Sunday St Mochonog's 10am

Sunday St. Patrick's 10am Lindy Wilson (1st A)

Colm Beaumann (MM) Alan King (15th A)

Sunday St Mary's 11am Bertie O'Connell (4th A)

Lily Kavanagh (4th A)

ENNISKERRY PARISH FUNDRAISER LOTTO

Jackpot increases weekly up to €5,000.

Draw each Thursday evening

Join Now. Scan the QR code on our website or go to:

<https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/enniskerryparish>

Winners viewable on webcam.

Winner 1st June —Sinead Boland - €25 Lucky Dip

Jackpot now stands at €2,125



A new website! - Whole Parish

A new website is in the planning stages for our parish partnership, and we are gathering information from parishioners so that we can create the most use and dynamic website to assist in growing our parish. To help us with our survey please pick up a form at the back of the church. When you have it completed, please return it to the parish office or bring it back next Sunday

Curtlestown Cemetery:

Grass Cleaning of the Cemetery will take place this coming Tuesday evening 6th June at 7 pm. Please bring Rakes, strimmers and bags. Hoping for a good turn out so please come along if you can.

Charabanc Social Gathering

The next Charabanc Social Gathering will take place on Friday 9th June. This week we are visiting Margaret's home in Ballyorney for a talk on Nutrition and a walk around her garden. Meet in Powerscourt Churchyard at 2.15pm.

GREAT NEWS! - Whole Parish

The joint prayer services between Enniskerry parish and Powerscourt parish are back! They will continue to be held monthly on the first Wednesday of each month. The first one will be on Wednesday 7th of June in St Patrick's Church of Ireland at 10 am.

Coffee in the distillery afterwards, of course!

ATTENTION—Whole Parish

1. Two members of our new funeral ministry team will be commissioned at our Meet and Greet mass in St. Mary's on this Sunday 4th of June. Please come and give them your support if you can.

A couple of thoughts for the week.

The World would be a much better place if everyone smiled more.

So smile, be cheerful.

Mother Teresa

*God always knocks at the door of hearts. He likes to do this. It comes from His heart. But, do you know what He likes best? To knock on the doors of families and find families that are united, to find families that love each other, to find the families that create a society of goodness, of truth, and of beauty." **Pope Francis***



Enniskerry Welcomes News Update

We are delighted to announce that we have at last been offered a house for rent in Enniskerry for a refugee family. As you may know, we have been searching for a house for a long time, and finding one means we can now complete the final part of the Community Sponsorship project – to welcome a family into our community. It may be several weeks or months before the family arrives as there is a lot of paperwork to get through.

In the meantime we are organising our annual walk in the Enniskerry community on Sunday 25 June to mark World Refugee Day, and we encourage as many of you as possible to join us (details to be shared shortly on our website and Facebook page).

Finally, we would like to thank everybody in the community for your generosity and support over the last two and a half years. Our work would not have been possible without you.

ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE
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Dear Father,

I am writing to you today regarding the return of our congregations to regular attendance at Sunday Mass and to ask that a Summer Dues collection be taken up again this year in support of priests.

The Summer Dues, introduced last summer, helped somewhat to address the financial challenges faced by priests. This initiative was very successful, providing €1.2 million to the Common Fund in 2021, with ten parishes receiving over €20,000 each from their parishioners. The Summer Dues contributed significantly to the welcome increase of 5% in the monthly stipend to priests last autumn. The Common Fund collection has increased to some extent over the last number of months allowing a further 5% to be restored, recently, to priests by the Common Fund Management Committee. There is, however, still a 30% drop in the First Collection in the first four months of 2022 compared to the same period in 2019, pre-pandemic, which we must try to rectify.

In these circumstances, I am proposing that each parish would invite the faithful to contribute a summer offering again this year, launching on the weekend of 19th June. A poster and sample envelope accompany this letter. With your explanation and gentle encouragement, it is hoped that further increases to the monthly stipend for priests might soon be possible. It is important, too, to build up the usual six-month reserves again in the Common Fund. In due course, when the net proceeds from the insurance claim are received and apportioned, it is expected that they will help on both counts. Many thanks to those parishes that have lodged their Easter Dues. If you have not done so, please send them on to the Common Fund in the coming week before the Summer Dues begin.

This is an appropriate time, too, to remind parishioners of the value of coming together as a community to celebrate the Lord's Day. We are formed in our Christian life by our participation in the Sunday Eucharist and missioned there to go out, in company with the Risen Lord, to be good news in a world much in need of the hope we carry with us. While the webcam and other technological supports were most helpful during the pandemic, and have their place now too, it is time to re-establish Sunday Mass as the source and summit of our Christian commitment, and of communion with the Lord and with each other.

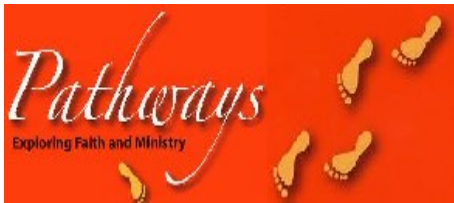
Encouraging participation in the life and celebrations of the Christian community is essential; gratitude for the generosity that people show towards their priests is indispensable. Speak to both, please, over the coming months in an uplifting manner, stressing the co-responsibility we all have for the mission of the Church today and the opportunity we are being given to listen carefully to the Spirit who calls us to build a future full of hope.

Wishing you many blessings over the summer months,



+Dermot Farrell

Archbishop of Dublin



Archdiocese of Dublin

OFFICE FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Thursday Evening Course for Adults
Venue: DCU St. Patrick's Campus, (MDCCE), Drumcondra Rd, Dublin, 9.

PATHWAYS
Exploring Faith as an Adult

The *Pathways Programme* is geared towards those who wish to explore issues and questions of: faith; ministry; the Church today and the nature of belief, in an environment appropriate to Adult Learning and Adult Faith Development.

About the Course

The programme is run by the Archdiocese of Dublin, over two years, from late September to late May each year. It takes place on **Thursday evenings from 7.00p.m. -9.30 p.m.** in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, (MDCCE), Drumcondra Road Upper, Dublin, 9. **The next starting date for the programme will be on Thursday 28th. September 2023.** See contact details below. **Early application is advisable as places will be limited.**

Who is the Course for?

This course is suitable for men and women of all ages and from all walks of life who are looking for an opportunity to consider questions about faith, belief and Church today.

Course Aims

The course values the life experience which the participants bring and, accordingly, group sharing is an integral part of the learning process each year. The course also offers the spiritual and theological formation which will enable participants to explore their faith with greater confidence. It also helps assist people to prepare themselves to respond to the needs of the Church and community and to work in partnerships and parish teams. Participants also have an opportunity to take part in various liturgies, and optional retreats and times of Directed Prayer during the year.

Course Entry Requirements

The main requirements are: a desire to explore faith; openness to participation; a willingness to listen and an interest in new ideas and approaches to ministry. No academic qualifications and no previous study in theology or spirituality are necessary. There is no required written work and there are no exams. There is a short application form in the programme brochure.

Course Cost

Fees are €400 each year. Fees may be paid in full at the beginning of each year or in instalments throughout each year. Part or full sponsorship may be available from some parishes.

Course Content

First Year – In the first year the emphasis is on the personal experiences and the faith journeys of the participants. **Subjects include:** How Adult Learn; Stages of Faith; Images of God; What Happened at Vatican II?; Introduction to Scripture; Celebrating the Church's Year; the Person of Christ; Personal Journey; Sacraments; the Moral Life; Spirituality and Prayer, Church and Parish – what it means to believe and to belong; Parish Pastoral Councils.

Second Year – The focus of the second year is on Christian living, the Gospel call and how we respond to it. **Subjects include:** Visions and Models of Church; Teachings of Pope Francis; Approaches to Ministry; Bereavement and Loss; Family; Pastoral Issues Today; Justice and Peace, Ecumenism; World Faiths; Ecology; Caring for Yourself.

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