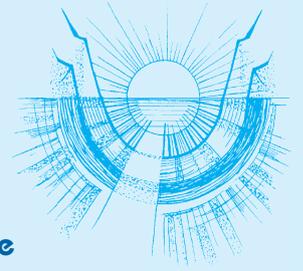


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Autumn Liturgy Seminar

It's that time of year again. Parish groups and committees are starting up after the summer break. Our Autumn Liturgy Seminar will take place on **Saturday 1 October** in Clonliffe College. Once again we offer a range of workshops on various topics which we hope will be of interest to you in your ministry to your parish community. Come and meet others involved in liturgy throughout the diocese and attend two workshops of your choice from the five on offer. Registration is at 9.00 a.m. and sessions begin at 9.30 a.m. There is a 20 minute break at 11.00 a.m. and the next session will continue until 12.50 p.m. At that time we move to the church for a Prayer Service which will incorporate elements from all the workshops. **Booking is essential** (€10 per person) and forms are included with this newsletter or are available in the download section of our website.

1. RCIA: experiencing the first few steps.

Damian McNeice will present a workshop which models the Rite of Acceptance and celebrations of the Word

proper to the period of the Catechumenate. This will be of assistance to members of RCIA teams, especially those who are new to accompanying those seeking Christian Initiation, These are the first rituals in the "gradual process" of the Christian Initiation of Adults "that takes place within the community of the faithful" [RCIA #4]. Some copies of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* for use in Ireland will be on sale on the day for €25. Free handouts are also provided.



2. Confirmation: What Are We At? One Parish Response

The Celbridge Confirmation Team will share their journey of exploration leading to a new way of preparing for Confirmation in the churches of Straffan and Celbridge. The central elements of the vision that guided their steps include:

- Developing the pathway to Confirmation into a two year journey, beginning in 5th class.
- All branches of the parish family (Home, Parish, School) working in tandem.
- Motivating parishioners, parents, sponsors, and candidates to become involved much more proactively than previously.

The initiative is not being presented as a template, but as one rewarding response to the challenge and the opportunity to evangelise the imagination. Come and see.



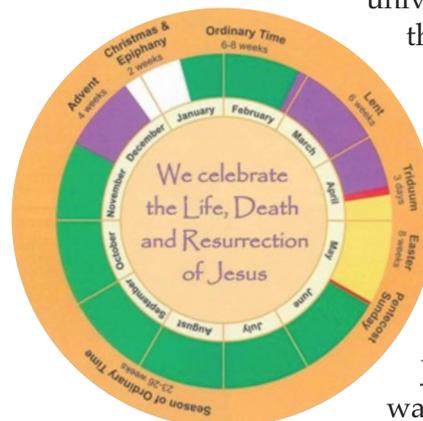
3. The Liturgical Year

Pat O'Donoghue will consider how the Liturgical Year can be respected while at the same time marking other church jubilees and special events in the calendar of the wider community.

The cycle of the Liturgical Year which was formulated by Christian communities over many centuries has its own integrity. The Calendar Year has its own special occasions and events. In recent times we have been encouraged to celebrate Mission Sunday, Restorative Justice Week and Catholic Schools Week to name a few.

In addition we have had universal themes such as

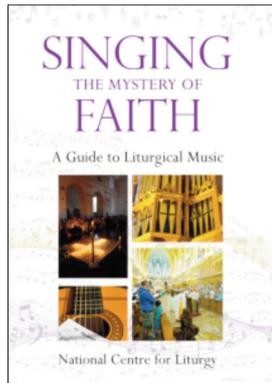
the Jubilee of Mercy and The Year of Faith. How do we celebrate all of these together while respecting the celebration of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in the cyclical way of our tradition?



4. Singing the Mystery of Faith

Columba McCann will bring to life in his workshop the most recent publication of the National Centre for Liturgy – *Singing the Mystery of Faith - A Guide to Liturgical Music*.

‘The discussions of the Advisory Committee on Church Music (of which he is the current chairperson) played an important part in the origins and development of this guidebook. These guidelines will take the reader step by step through each liturgy and will be very useful to musicians who know their musical craft, but seek a clearer understanding of liturgical needs. They will also facilitate a more long-term pastoral strategy regarding music in the liturgy by examining relevant roles and ministries and thus will be of use.’ (National Centre for Liturgy) The Publication is available from Veritas and will be on sale on the day (€10).



World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Laudato Si – *On care for our common home* – the encyclical letter of Pope Francis launched last year, continues to offer food for thought and action. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will lead an ecumenical celebration inspired by this document on **Thursday 1 September** at 7.30 p.m. in Clonliffe College Church to mark World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. All are welcome.

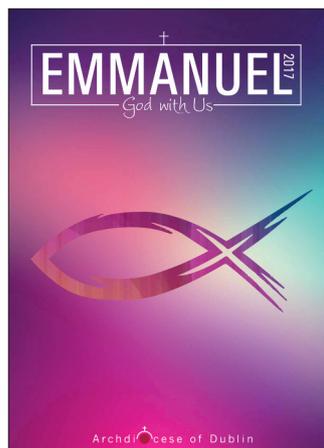
The Gospel of the following Sunday, 4 September, includes this phrase, ‘none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions’ (Luke 14:33). This could be linked to a quotation from Pope Francis’ document: ‘Patriarch Bartolomeo asks us to replace consumption with sacrifice, greed with generosity, wastefulness with a spirit of sharing, an asceticism which “entails learning to give, and not simply to give up. It is a way of loving, of moving gradually away from what I want to what God’s world needs. It is liberation from fear, greed and compulsion”’. (Laudato Si 17)



5. Emmanuel 2017

Ian Callanan will introduce music from the Emmanuel 2017 programme pointing out where these can be used in celebrations of the Eucharist and other services.

Emmanuel is our music programme for second level schools and is going from strength to strength with over 60 schools from around the Diocese involved. Half of the 2017 programme is devoted to music for the liturgical year and offers new suggestions such as *Jesus, All for Jesus* (Robin Mark) and *King of Kings* (Jarod Cooper). The Irish tradition is maintained with music by Irish composers including the Advent refrain - *Ullmhaíгі Bóthar an Tiarna* by Máire Ní Dhuibhir. If you think this music is simply for teenagers you will be surprised to learn that Emmanuel Music is widely sung by more mature choirs and groups. The 2017 Music Book and CD will be on sale on the day.



Culture Night 2016 Celebrates Crosscare 75 Years (1941-2016)

Clonliffe College will participate for the 4th time in Culture Night on **Friday 16 September** from 6.00-9.30 p.m. The Liturgy Resource Centre Team in collaboration with Archives and Crosscare have prepared another interesting contribution to this very successful national event:

- **Clonliffe College Church (6-7pm)**. Talk by Damian McNeice at 6.30pm on its history and architecture with live sacred music. This Church is an important element in the religious and cultural heritage of our Diocese.
- **The Marmion Room (7-8pm)**. Celebrate 75 years of Crosscare, the Diocesan Social Support Agency, with Conor Hickey and Team illustrating their innovative work that continues to this day.
- **The Academy Room (8-9.15pm)**. Make a song and dance about 1941 with our Swing Band and the Dublin Diocesan Music Group led by Pat O'Donoghue and archival material from 1941 presented by Noelle Dowling. Spread the word and come along in clothes of the 40s to add to the atmosphere.



End Poverty Service

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty will be marked on **Monday 17 October** with a prayer service at **8.00 p.m.** in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus, St. Alphonsus Road, Drumcondra. Through reflections and readings prepared by the Part-Time Chaplaincy Students of DCU and the music of the Dublin Diocesan Music Group those who gather will take time to face the challenge of this issue which is both global and local. We will also celebrate the values of the kingdom of simplicity proclaimed by Jesus, the friend of the poor. The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty has been observed since 1993, when the UN General Assembly chose this day to promote awareness of the need to eradicate global poverty. Pope Francis has underlined the importance of the day, most notably its aim to encourage the international community to “eliminate extreme poverty and discrimination”, and to ensure that all global citizens are able to “fully exercise their fundamental rights”.

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Calling Funeral Singers and Musicians

As a follow up to the launch of the Diocesan Policy on Funerals we invite all those who lead music (as singers or musicians) at Masses or Services on these occasions to come together for an evening seminar. At this event we will offer music suggestions for the celebration of Christian funerals in our churches. We can discuss issues such as handling sensitive situations and inappropriate music requests and the possibility of having a register of approved singers for church celebrations of funerals. This gathering will take place in Clonliffe College on **Wednesday 19 October** at **8.00 p.m.** Booking is essential so that we can have copies of suggestions and suitable seating for all who wish to come. You can bring the €5 suggested fee on the night. Email Grainne - litsec@dublindiocese.ie



Remembrance Service

The 31st Annual Remembrance Service will take place in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus, St. Alphonsus Road, Drumcondra on **Thursday 17 November** at 8.00 p.m. The Dublin Diocesan Music Group will lead the music and the liturgy will be

prepared by present and past students of Mater Dei (now DCU). This service was originally inaugurated to remember deceased church musicians but the attendance and the focus has expanded over the years. However this year we will remember in particular the late Father Jerry Threadgold who contributed so much, in an understated way, to the development of liturgical music in Ireland and in Dublin as Director of Music at a very crucial time.



Baptism Team Gathering

Our next gathering for Baptism Teams will be in Clonliffe College on **Wednesday 23 November** at **8.00 p.m.** This usually takes place after Easter but due to our workload we deferred it to this term. We come together on these occasions to learn from each other and to receive the benefit of input on this important area of liturgical ministry in the Diocese. As the liturgical year comes to an end we will reflect spiritually on the role of the Baptism Team and look at ways in which we can support each other. Booking is essential. Email Grainne - litsec@dublindiocese.ie You can bring the €5 suggested fee on the night.

Diocesan Advent Service

This year's Advent Service is being hosted in the recently refurbished Church of the Good Shepherd, Churchtown on **Saturday 26 November** at **4.00 p.m.** The liturgy will be prepared by the Full-Time Chaplaincy Students of DCU and the liturgical music will be led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group.

This Advent the readings are from Cycle A with many inspirational phrases in the First Readings from the Prophet Isaiah:

- “there will be no more training for war” (Is.2:5)
- “the cow and bear make friends, their young lie down together” (Is.11:7)
- “Courage! Do not be afraid” (Is.35:4)
- “the maiden is with child... whom she will call Immanuel, a name which means ‘God is-with-us’” (Is.7:14)

The Advent Service will incorporate these phrases into a prayerful movement for peace in the world. It is interesting that we use the abbreviation Is. for the Prophet Isaiah and the world is focused at the same time on the movement called IS – Islamic State. Come and pray for peace this Advent.



Sale of the Century

Over the years we have accumulated a large stock of music books and CDs from our many projects including Emmanuel, Wedding Album, Mysteries of Light, Songs of Farewell etc.. Stop by our 'shop' on **1 October** and even if you are not attending the liturgy seminar you can drop in anytime up to 2.00 p.m. to avail of the special offers. All stock will be €5 and under. You can't beat that!



Laudate 2017

This is the name of an initiative of the Education Secretariat and the Liturgy Resource Centre for Primary Schools. The idea has come from interested teachers who would like the liturgical music repertoire of primary schools to be reflected in the parish liturgy. A pilot project will take place in 2017 and will involve 20 schools from the north and south side of the city whose students will learn a programme of music which will be presented in a prayerful way during **Catholic Schools Week (29 January – 4 February)**. Schools have been chosen and music in a range of styles has been selected. We will keep you up to speed on the project.



Centenary Exhibition – Advance Notice

Archives and Liturgy worked together to present in the Pro-Cathedral - *Áille na hÁille* – a traditional music work by Charlie Lennon - in honour of the leaders of 1916



which was interspersed with Diary Extracts and Poetry from the period. There is still a continuing interest in the role of the Catholic Church in the events of this time and Noelle Dowling, Diocesan Archivist and her team have now put together unique material from a wide range of archival sources to create an exhibition entitled *'Ministry, Advocacy and Compassion – The Catholic Church and Easter 1916'*. This will include documents never displayed before, an audio and touch screen presentation and information panels which illustrate the significant role played by sisters and priests at that time. The exhibition will be open to the public from **24 September** until the end of **December** in **Saint Kevin's Oratory** at the **Pro-Cathedral**. More information by contacting Archives – archives@dublindiocese.ie or 01 8087509.

Payments for Church Musicians

Judith Maxwell, HR Manager at Clonliffe will be happy to advise you on the payment of church musicians and the importance of contracts for services. Contact Judith – 01 8087551 or Judith.maxwell@dublindiocese.ie

Touch of Consolation

Several parishes now offer a small olive wood cross to each family on the first visit to the home of the deceased to offer sympathy. We sourced these from Bethlehem where the proceeds help the local community whose income has declined over the years. Contact Grainne to place your order – they are €7 each.



World Meeting of Families

22-26 August 2018

Last year, Pope Francis announced that the ninth World Meeting of Families would be held in Dublin. The planning has started and we hope you can join us in the pastoral preparation programme next year, become a volunteer to help in various ways or to attend the Congress and other events in August 2018. For more see www.worldmeeting2018.ie and sign up for regular information newsletter in the contact us section.

2017 Liturgy Seminar

Please note the date of our New Year Liturgy Seminar- **Saturday 28 January 2017**.

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