# **Mass Intentions**

### Sunday:

6.00 pm Thomas & Beatrice Nesbitt (A) 10.00 am Daniel Devine (Anniv) 12.00 pm Grainne Rutherford (Anniv) Also Shona Murphy (Months Mind) Also Sr Cathleen Flynn (Months Mind) Weekdays

#### Tuesday

David Egan (Rec Dec) **Tuesday** Colm Cullen (Anniv) **Wednesday** Ann Guinasso (Rec Dec)

## **NIGHT FEVER.**

On Sunday evening, 23rd June, from 7.30 pm—8.30 pm on the eve of the feast of



St. John the Baptist, we will repeat Night Fever. It was very successful last year. A team of people will go out from the church to invite people to come into the church to light a candle for a particular intention. They will be presented with the candle on the street. There will be silent meditative prayer in the church.

We need volunteers to sit in the church and pray for the intentions and others to go out and present people with a candle and to invite them to come in. If you would like to get involved, please give your name to Maura O'Looney, either Fr. Johns, or into the sacristy or parish office. Could you do that as soon as possible. It would be marvelous if the event is as successful as last year

## **Annual Cemetery Masses**

June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1.00 pm Fingal Cemetery June 30<sup>th</sup> at 3.00 pm Glasnevin Cemetery July 7<sup>th</sup> at 3.00 pm Dardistown Cemetery July 14<sup>th</sup> at 1.00 pm Balgriffin Cemetery

### An Excerpt from Evangelii Gaudium Eternal newness THE CHURCH'S MISSIONARY TRANSFORMATION



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The Church which "goes forth" is a community of missionary disciples who take the first step, who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice. An evangelizing community knows that the Lord has taken the initiative, he has loved us first (cf. 1 Jn 4:19), and therefore we can move forward, boldly take the initiative, go out to others, seek those who have fallen away, stand at the crossroads and welcome the outcast. Such a community has an endless desire to show mercy, the fruit of its own experience of the power of the Father's infinite mercy. Let us try a little harder to take the first step and to become involved. Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. The Lord gets involved and he involves his own, as he kneels to wash their feet. He tells his disciples: "You will be blessed if you do this" (Jn 13:17). An evangelizing community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary, and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. Evangelizers thus take on the "smell of the sheep" and the sheep are willing to hear their voice. An evangelizing community is also supportive, standing by people at every step of the way, no matter how difficult or lengthy this may prove to be. It is familiar with patient expectation and apostolic endurance. Evangelization consists mostly of patience and disregard for constraints of time. Faithful to the Lord's gift, it also bears fruit. An evangelizing community is always concerned with fruit, because the Lord wants her to be fruitful. It cares for the grain and does not grow impatient at the weeds. The sower, when he sees weeds sprouting among the grain does not grumble or overreact. He or she finds a way to let the word take flesh in a particular situation and bear fruits of new life, however imperfect or incomplete these may appear. The disciple is ready to put his or her whole life on the line, even to accepting martyrdom, in bearing witness to Jesus Christ, yet the goal is not to make enemies but to see God's word accepted and its capacity for liberation and renewal revealed. Finally an evangelizing community is filled with joy; it knows how to rejoice always. It celebrates every small victory, every step forward in the work of evangelization. Evangelization with joy becomes beauty in the liturgy, as part of our daily concern to spread goodness. The Church evangelizes and is herself evangelized through the beauty of the liturgy, which is both a celebration of the task of evangelization and the source of her renewed self-giving.



Clontarf Historical Society's talk Monday 10th June at 7.30pm in St.Johns Parish Centre,Clontarf Road on

"The artist Patrick Leonard HRHA and his Clontarf connection" by Collette Gill.

The first collection for the priests last weekend came to €445 and the second collection for SHARE came to €365