

Feast of St Brigid

Saturday 1st Day of

You were a woman of peace. You brought harmony where there was conflict.

You brought light to the darkness. You brought hope to the downcast.

May the mantle of your peace cover those who are troubled and anxious,

and may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts and in our world. Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all God has made.

Brigid, you were a voice for the wounded and the weary. Strengthen what is weak within us. Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens.

May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit.

Amen.

Readers for THIS weeke' ...

7.00 pm: Margaret

Readers for this weekend 7.00 pm: Mary Vaughan

Betty

O'Carroll

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Readers for NEXT weekend 7.00 pm: Pat O'Halloran

10.00:

David Meade Fiona Mockler June Murphy

Warren

12.00:

Brenda Do This in

Memory

Feast Days for the Week Monday: St Angela Merici Tuesday: St

Thomas Aquinas St Aidan Thurs:

BI Margaret

Ball and

Francis

Taylor, martyrs

Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan

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EVENTS IN THE PARISH FOR THE WEEK

-Children's liturgy takes place at the 12.00 Mass SUNDAY:

-Concert in the Ruah Centre at 12.05 pm. A few tickets MONDAY:

remain.

-Sancta Maria Retreat in the Ruah Centre. WEDS:

The office will be closed. You can contact Aine by phone -The Parish Pastoral Council will meet at 8.00 pm in the

Ruah Centre.

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- THANK YOU to all who contributed to making the visit of Bishop Brendán Leahy so memorable. It was a great parish celebration and a fitting tribute to Bishop Leahy. In an email to Father Brendan, the Bishop thanks every one for the wonderful occasion. "I thoroughly enjoyed the day and was very moved by the kindness of all. It was great meeting up with so many people from the past. Thanks for the beautiful copy of the Pentecost painting that I will really treasure as a lively reminder of my link to Ballyroan".

-This week we celebrate Catholic Schools' Week. The theme for this year is "Catholic Schools - Centres of Faith and Learning". We pray for all our students, teachers and parents who choose Catholic education for

their children.

-A big thank you to Frances O'Brien, the chaplain in Colaiste Éanna and all the staff for organising a beautiful Mass and reception for Grandparents of 1st Years in the school and in the parish. We also thank Mrs Maura Printer of the Grandparents Association for attending and speaking at the Mass.

-The new rota for readers is now available in the Sacristy for those

who do not receive it by email

-Sheila McGinley would like to thank most sincerely all those who contributed so gererously to Our Lady's Hospice stall at the Christmas Market. €804.14 was raised for which they are most grateful.

-Theology returns on Tuesday, 4th February. Monica Rapeanu will take us through Pope Francis' exhortation "Evangelii Gaudium". We suggest a donation of 5 euro to cover her costs. All welcome to attend in the Ruah Centre after 10.00 Mass. Copies of the Exhortation will be available in the Ruah Centre.

-There will be a series of Public Talks in All Hallow's College on Tuesday evenings during March, entitled "Hope for the Future of the Church. More information at www.allhallows.ie or phone 01 8520178. A pilgrimage to Madjugorje departs on 5th May for nine nights, Spiritual director is Fr Camillus from the Rathfarnham oratory, Details from Liam

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 7.00 pm-Beatrice Corcoran (month's mind): Sunday 10.00- Brid Sharkey (1stA); 12.00-Betty Cantwell (A) and Paddy Kearney (A); Mon. 10.00-Ailbhe Browning (Birthday Mass) Tues.10.00- Wed. 10.00-Joe Kennedy (A); Thurs-Friday: 10.00-.

Anniversaries: Con O'Donnell, Nicholas Cummins,