

Congratulations to all children who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Friday.

A really big thank you to all who worked so hard in preparing for the Confirmation, from the flower ladies, to the cleaners, plus the volunteers who came along last Sunday, our Sacristans, the teachers, faith friends and mentors. The Church looked really great and is a credit to the people of Ballyroan past and present.

The **Novena to St Francis Xavier** continues this week, there is a petition box for any of your prayers beside the statue of St. Francis.

Novena prayer

O most kind and loving saint, in union with you I adore the Divine Majesty. The remembrance of the favours with which God blessed you during life, and of your glory after death, fills me with joy; and I unite with you in offering to God my humble tribute of thanksgiving and of praise. I implore of you to secure for me, through your powerful intercession the all important blessing of living and dying in the state of grace. I also beseech you to obtain the favour I ask in this Novena (here ask the favour you wish to obtain), but if what I ask is not for the glory of God or for the good of my soul, obtain for me what is most conducive to both. Amen

Next **Do This in Memory** parish based First Communion Programme takes place this Sunday during 12 Mass.

St Josephs Young Priests Society monthly meeting takes place next Wednesday 10th March at 7.30pm in 67 Anne Devlin Park.

Third Age Social Circle "**55 Plus**" next meeting is in the Library on Monday 8th March at 10.45am.

Ballyroan Bethany Bereavement Support Group. A meeting for the bereaved will take place on Tuesday 9th March at 8pm in 67 Anne Devlin Park.

Hymn Nos. for 10.30am Mass 846, 842, 969.

Eucharistic Adoration

This year we will have the Eucharistic Adoration and prayer in the homes of the parish during the **Thursdays** of Lent. You are invited to offer your home (as in previous years) on one of the Thursdays of the middle four weeks of Lent to host the adoration. Forms are available at the back of the Church, and are to be returned to the Parish Office. Further details contact Ron Charles on 087 251 9206.

Ecumenical Lenten Talks continue on Thursday March 11th at 8pm in Rathfarnham Parish Centre, Willbrook Road. Education and Science: Are We Ready for the Future? Speaker Prof. Ferdinand von Prndzynski (President of DCU) and Dr Chris Horn (Member of the Government's Innovation Taskforce and founder and former CEO of Iona Technologies).

Please feel free to take this missalette home with you for the readings and notices, we have plenty, if you are not taking yours home with you, perhaps you could put them back at the exits.

Mass Intentions for week

Sat. 7pm Denis Manning Months Mind, Sun 9am Mary Keegan (A), 10.30am Anthony Griffin (A), 12 Edward O'Neill (A), Tues. 10am William & Mary McNamara & Geoffrey Brooks (A) Wed. 10am Annie Flusk (A), Thur.10am Alice & John Hargadon (A), Sat 10am Mass Association.

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