

**Knock Pilgrimage:** The Archdiocese of Dublin Pilgrimage to Knock will take place this Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> and will be led by His Grace Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. There will be a full programme from all ages from 11.00am-4.30pm. Please consider attending as it's an opportunity for your parish to follow in the footsteps of Pope Francis who visited Knock last year and join with others throughout the Archdiocese who will be celebrating 140 years since the apparition in 1879. Everyone is welcome. In order to get an indication of numbers and if your parish is planning to attend - please email: [knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie)

**International Mass:** If you have come to live in Rathmines, Ranelagh or in the wider community, you may like to meet others from different countries for prayer, worship and just social contact. If so, join us for the International Mass each Saturday evening at 7.00pm in the Church of Mary Immaculate Refuge of Sinners, Rathmines. All welcome.

**Best You Can Be:** Parishioners from Ballyroan, Churchtown and Rathfarnham parishes are invited to take part in a reflective day entitled *Best You Can Be* this Saturday 27 April 2019 in the Ruah Pastoral Centre, Ballyroan. *Best You Can Be* is an introduction to developing adult faith. It aims to explore the nature of adult faith in keeping with Pope Francis' vision that Christians would continue to grow in their personal relationship with God. *Best you Can Be* encourages reflection on the stages of faith development and participants' images of God. . The facilitation team for the day is Ms Rosemary Lavelle (Pastoral Coordinator in the Office for Evangelisation and Ecumenism), Fr John Bracken, Co-P.P. Holy Cross Church, Dundrum, Ms Eilis O' Reilly and Ms Rachel Brady, parishioners from the parish of Ss. Peter and Paul, Balbriggan. The day begins at 10.00am and finishes at 4.30pm. If you would like to register for *Best You Can Be*, please give your name and phone number to your parish secretary. Please bring a packed lunch. For further information email: [rosemary.lavelle@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:rosemary.lavelle@dublindiocese.ie)

**Percy French Troubadours:** Join St. Mochta's Parish Centre, Porterstown, Dublin 15 this Saturday, 27 April at 8.00pm for an evening with Percy French Troubadours. Tickets are on sale from the Sacristy after any Mass, also available at the door on the night – (Tickets Cost - €15). Supporting St. Mochta's Parish and St. Vincent De Paul. All welcome.

**Service of Remembrance:** Come along to The Coombe Annual Service of Remembrance this Sunday 28 April in Our Lady of Dolours Church, Dolphins Barn, at 3.00pm. All Welcome.

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday in Our Lady of Victories Sallynoggin/Glenageary at 2.00pm this Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Exposition, Confession, Rosary, Chaplet, Mass. (On the 7 & 7a Bus Routes.) All welcome.

**Faithfest Retreat:** Have you been to Faithfest? Are you in secondary school? If so you are eligible for and will love our Faithfest Retreat. It is a chance to build friendships, enjoy adventure and get to know God. Ovoca Manor is our venue and is an adventure centre which combines adventure and exploring faith. If Interested, please download and fill in the consent form from [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie) Please return it to the address advertised on the form to ensure your booking.

**The Pope John Paul II Awards** is an outreach to teens [TY+] that engages them in the life of the parish by sharing their time and talent. It operates a little like the Gaisce Awards. If you are interested in your parish getting involved email [st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie)

**Ayrfield Parish - Month of May - Pray The Rosary:** St. Paul's Parish, Ayrfield would like to invite you to join us each Tuesday evening at 8:30pm in St. Paul's Church to come and pray the Rosary. St. Paul's Community Choir will be leading us in singing Hymns to Our Lady. All welcome.

**Maynooth Courses on Offer:** Applications are opening for a number of Programmes in Pastoral Theology ideal formation for lay people involved or interested in getting involved in ministry. Ranging from Diploma to Higher Diploma and Masters-level, there are options available to suit a wide range of candidates. We are delighted to announce two new programmes, The Higher Diploma in Healthcare Chaplaincy and the Postgraduate Diploma in Christian Communications and Media Practice (in association with Kairos). Deadline for applications is this **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019**. Late applications considered on a case-by-case basis. For more information email: [admissions@spcm.ie](mailto:admissions@spcm.ie)

**ACCORD Dublin Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers:**

Volunteers For: Marriage and Relationship Counsellors and Marriage Preparation Facilitators

- To give courses for couples preparing for marriage and
- Marriage and Relationship counsellors.

If you would like to join a committed and professionally trained team who support couples in their marriage and those preparing for marriage, please contact us. Training for both roles will take place in the Pontifical University in Maynooth.

For further information please contact 01 4784400 **before 30 April 2019**.

**Book Launch:** Fr Tony Coote has written a book - *Live While You Can*, it is a memoir of his life and a powerful testament to his faith and courage in the face of his illness.

Join Mount Merrion Parish on Wednesday 1 May at 6.30pm in the Church of St. Therese. Books will be available to purchase on the night. All welcome.

**Blessing For Expectant Mothers:** A special blessing for Expectant Mothers will take place on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May in Our Lady of Mercy Church, Artane at 8.00pm. If you need any further information contact:

Alice: 8319770 or Eileen: 831961. Refreshments served afterwards. All are welcome.

**Catholic Youth Ministry Ireland – Training Event:** These training workshops on resourcing youth & young adult ministry will take place in St. Paul's Church, Arran Quay on Monday 13 May. Keynote Address by Erin Doughty from the Archdiocese of Birmingham. The day will also include workshops on resourcing Youth and Young Adult Ministry. It commences with Registration at 9:30 am. Conference from 10:00 am – 4:00pm. (Lunch not included) €20 per person. For more information email: [st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie) See poster attached.

**Remembrance Service:** A Little Lifetime Foundation (ALLF) will hold a Blessing of Remembrance in Glasnevin Cemetery at the Old Angels Memory Garden on Sunday 26 May at 3.00pm. This special Blessing of Remembrance is for all parents, family members and friends who lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, cot death or died shortly after birth. This invitation is for all families who have lost a baby - we hope you will find some comfort in coming together to remember your baby in a special way.

**Lough Derg:** One Day Retreats begin on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May**. Why not take some time and space on Lough Derg personally or as a parish group this May? A new event for those who serve in lay parish ministry, is our Parish Ministry Day Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May. **Loughderg – St. Oliver Plunkett 2019** : Three Day Pilgrimage dates will run from 31 May - 2 June 5 - 7 July and 9 - 11 August. Direct from Dublin – Cost €115 and €105 for old age pensions and students For more information phone after 6.00pm – M: 086 358 3027 / 01 4941171.

Booking essential. Tel: (00353) 71 9861518. Email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)