

**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
21st January 2018**



The icon of the Holy Family was specially commissioned for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin next August. Every family in the parish will receive one copy to take home with them this week-end. The Icon looks like a house with front doors. On the outside are the Archangels Michael and Gabriel, who carry with them the desire of God to protect. Their heads are bowed in adoration and service of God, the Holy One. On the base is the inscription "Amoris Laetitia", "The Joy of Love", the title of Pope Francis' exhortation on love in the family. When the doors are opened we see the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph seated at table, sharing a meal and sharing their faith. Their faith was celebrated in their

home. It is in our home that the reality of God-with-us is communicated and passed on to future generations. The Holy Family have a place at their table for us. They invite us to join them. They know the trials of family life having been refugees, fleeing the violence of Herod. They have known great anxiety. On either side of the icon we see the Raising of Jairus' Daughter and the Wedding Feast of Cana where Jesus showed deep compassion and concern for marriage and for those living with the burdens of family life. An icon is not like a photograph, nor is it a portrait. It is an image which invites us to prayer. It is our hope that it will invite people to prayer while we prepare our hearts for World Meeting of Families 2018.

Amoris Programme: Can you help? We need some volunteers to help us organise the Amoris Programme in our parish during Lent. There will be a short training session in Clonliffe College on next Wednesday 24th January at 2.30pm and repeated at 7.30 pm that evening. For further information please contact the Parish Office.

**13th Dec /14th Dec
For the running of our parish**

Envelope Collection: **€630**
Standing Orders: **€370**

The above are the ONLY collections that stay in the parish to support the running costs of our parish. Please consider contributing if you don't already do so.

Please contact Stephanie in the parish office for details.

Collections for outside the parish

Common Fund: **€775**
(First collection)

Share **€680**
(second Collection)

THANK YOU!



**Baptisms on the following
Sundays at 12.30pm**

Jan 28th

Feb 11th and Feb 25th

ROSARY



Honour the Mother of God and begin the New Year with the rosary.

Let us help you get started by having the Rosary Statue in your home. Just leave your contact details with Stephanie in the parish office and a member of the Legion of Mary will contact you. The Legion of Mary meet every Thursday at 7.30 pm in the meeting room in St Finian's Church, why not come along and visit us. New members most welcome.



Mon 22nd

Philomena Moore (RD)

Pat Malone (RD)

Tues 23rd

Kay Ebbs (RD)

Denis Madden (RD)

Wed 24th

Richie Carrick (RD)

Thurs 25th

Patricia Mooney (RD)

Friday 26th

James Kealy (AN)

Saturday 27th

11am Mary Flynn (RD)

Richard & Kathleen Niland (AN)

Vigil

6.30pm

Dolores Gavin (AN)

Maureen & Louis Moore (AN)

Sunday 28th

10am Sarah Ann & John Gallagher (AN)

11.30am Rose Mc Groder (AN)

**We pray for Jaqueline Lynch.
May she rest in peace.**