

# Newsletter July 2024

## Assumption Church Walkinstown .



### Parish Picnic.



Our Parish picnic was on Father's Day, Sun 16th June last. The week before, the kids in the school were asked to pray for good weather as the forecast was not good. Thanks & Praise to God! the day turned out lovely. It really made it!. It was such a joy to see so many families and kids enjoying themselves, at the various games and art etc. While the mam's and dad's enjoying a cuppa and refreshments too. Families who were just passing or in the play ground also dropped in which was great.



We also had a special family blessing by Fr. Paul. Our sincere thanks to the huge work done by all the volunteers in setting up and after for the big tidy up. Our thanks to all on the Parish Team and to the members of the Emmanuel Community in planning and running the day so well. Our thanks to Supervalu for donating some goodies as well. Please God we will be repeating it again next summer.

Date	Event	Details
Wed 14th Aug 2024	Vigil Mass— Assumption of the BVM	<b>5.30pm-6.45pm –Holy Hour followed by Vigil Mass at 7pm</b>
Thurs 15th Aug 2024	Feast Day—Assumption of the BVM	<b>10.00am – Mass followed by Holy Hour to 12.00noon</b>

### Mother Teresa of Calcutta



Parishioners Jerry and Kitty Doyle, late of St. Peter's Road, and Fr. Denis Foley, to honour Mother Teresa's compassion and dedication to serving the poor, planted a tree and laid a plaque in her Honor on the grounds of the Church in 1989.



Mother Teresa of Calcutta was entrusted with the mission of proclaiming God's thirsting love for humanity, especially for the poorest of the poor. "God still loves the world, and He sends you and me to be His love and His compassion to the poor" She was a soul filled with the light of Christ, on fire with love for Him and burning with one desire: "to quench His thirst for love and for souls."

Mother Teresa was a woman of strong faith and conviction, born in Skopje, Macedonia in 1910. Despite being Albanian by blood and Indian by citizenship, she identified as a Catholic nun and servant of God. Her love for souls began at a young age, and her desire to become a missionary led her to join the Sisters of Loreto, Rathfarnham in Dublin in 1928 at the age of 18 years. She received the name Sister Mary Teresa after St. Thérèse of Lisieux and went on to found the Missionaries of Charity order in India. Her order grew rapidly, with hundreds of centers in over 90 countries and thousands of nuns and lay workers.

Mother Teresa's compassion and dedication to serving the poor earned her international recognition, including the Nobel Peace Prize. Despite her global fame, she remained humble and devoted to her mission. She maintained strong ties with Ireland, returning many times and receiving the Freedom of Dublin in 1993. During the Troubles in Belfast, she sent her sisters to provide aid to those in need.

We would like to welcome baby **Ríán** who was baptised recently. May God look over him.

### Mass Times

Monday — Friday 10am

Saturday - 6pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday 11:30am

Holy Days –Mass at 10am

Vigil Mass 7pm previous evening.

**Confessions** before weekend masses or on request.

**Adoration** takes place every Thursday morning after 10am Mass in the Church. All are welcome.

### Rosary

We say the rosary every

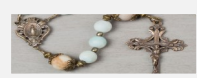
morning from 9.30am until Mass at 10am. You are all welcome to come and join in.

**Parish Priest**     **Parish Secretary**

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**Sacristan**     Joe Morrison



Baptisms are the **3rd** Sunday of every month. If you would like to book a baptism please contact the **Parish Office: 01-4502649.** Mon - Fri 9.30am– 1130am. Out of hours please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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### Sunday Gospel Reflection



Lectio Divina continues in the church every Friday after the 10.00 o'clock Mass. You are very welcome to drop in and check us out – you might like it! If you'd like some information beforehand call John on 087 615 7795.

### In Memory.



We remember our parishioners who have passed away recently, Especially, **William Britton** of Brandon Rd, **Margaret Jennings** of Walkinstown Parade & **Bernadette (Bernie) Breen** of Walkinstown Ave. We will continue to keep their families in our prayers.

### The Body of Christ

And his blood, and his soul, and his divinity. The Eucharist is ALL that Jesus is. Man and God. ACTUALLY all of that in reality and not merely spiritually or symbolically. This is the very centre of our faith. So, when we receive communion, as we should do to fully participate in the Mass, we receive Jesus, wholly and entirely. But we receive him not because we should but because we love him, and this is the most intimate way we can be with our beloved and he with us. This is the very centre of our relationship with God. The only thing that could prevent us from receiving Jesus is grave sin and in that case we should be reconciled as soon as possible. St. John Paul II suggests an approach to worthily receiving the Eucharist that you may never have thought of:

#### Imagine Mary's first communion

Imagine the Blessed Virgin Mary at her first Mass, whenever that happened, receiving her beloved son and the God she adored into her body for the second time. Imagine how she would have prepared in anticipation of this and then her overwhelming joy to have her son dwelling within her again! Think how she would have expressed her love and received his in those sacred moments. The great pope points out the profound connection between Mary carrying Jesus in her womb and a person receiving communion. In a sense, we become like Mary every time we receive the Eucharist. How awesome is that!

### Simone Biles, Olympic Gymnast, Her Faith

Simone Biles is a five-time Olympic medallist and has said her Catholic faith is a source of inspiration, energy and strength.



Born in Columbus, Ohio, USA Simone is considered the greatest gymnast of all time.

When Simone was five years old, her grandparents, whom she refers to as mom and dad, adopted her and her siblings as her biological mother struggled with drug addiction. They instilled the family with a faithful Catholic identity, regularly attending Mass on Sundays. Simone said her Catholic faith is not just a set of beliefs, but a way of life. It guides her in making moral choices, finding comfort in times of struggle, and sharing love and compassion with others. She finds strength in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and participates in various religious activities.

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