

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S ESKER/DODSBORO/ADAMSTOWN
NEWSLETTER

23RD APRIL 2017



Welcome To
St Patrick's Esker/Doddsboro/ Adamstown
April 23, 2017

Mass Intentions for coming week: Saturday, 7pm: Margaret Dardis



(A); **Sunday, 9am:** Mamie Davey (A); **10.30am:** Jacob Pulikattil (A); **12 noon:** Kathleen Carroll (A); Remember Elena Paymerov (A)

Monday, 10am: Con Crowley (A); **Tues. 10am:**

Sean Flynn (A); **Wed. 10am:** Liam Seale (RIP); Elizabeth Murphy & Family Intentions; **Thurs. 10am:** Willie Thompson (RIP); Madeline Breen & Family Intentions; **Fri. 10am:** Jack O'Flaherty (RIP); **Sat. 10am:** Eamonn Kelly (A); Philip Doheny (RIP).

Sunday, 23rd April – Second Sunday of Easter: We no longer search for Jesus among the dead as he lives in us as the Lord of life and so we gather in a spirit of praise and thanksgiving.

Readings for Today – Sun: 23rd April: *The First Reading:* From



the Acts, presents a vision of peace and harmony among the faithful followers of the Way, sharing their resources and praying together. *The Second*

Reading: From St. Peter, encourages those who are suffering to persevere through times of testing. *The Gospel* account, from John, of the apostle Thomas and his struggle for faith offers believers the opportunity to trust beyond the physical experience of Christ's presence.

Host Family in Lucan: For a 15-year old Spanish student – if you think you might be interested, please contact me at +353 87 4043995. I am looking for two host families for two friends that want their children to spend next school year in Kishoge School, Lucan (already applied for Transition Year). Being a host family is a nice experience. Let me know if you think you are interested. Thank you very much... Octavia Guzmán.

Connolly for Kids Hospital: Dear Parishioners, As you read this, the Development Board of the New National Children's hospital is awaiting clearance from Government and is set to proceed with building the country's Children's Hospital on the St James's Hospital (SJH) campus in Dublin city centre.

Serious site constraints at SJH will mean unacceptable compromise – no on-site Maternity hospital for at least 15 years (if ever), major traffic and access problems, totally inadequate parking, very limited expansion space. Many other problems are brewing for both the adult and children's hospitals on that site.

Fifteen top medical experts in Crumlin and Temple St. hospitals who look after our smallest and sickest babies have said to proceed with this project will result in the avoidable death or disability of many new-born babies for years to come. (see Connollyforkidshospital.com for full text). They have been silenced.

Why has the Government chosen to ignore the obvious answer – the 145-acre site at James Connolly Memorial Hospital, Blanchardstown, on a slip road off the M50/N3 interchange? There is an adult academic teaching hospital there. The Rotunda Maternity Hospital is moving there. Mothers from all over the country diagnosed with high-risk pregnancies could be delivered there and babies be transferred by a short corridor to the new children's hospital for specialist care with their mothers close by. It could open the same day as the New Children's Hospital.

We cannot allow the Government to turn its back on sick babies from every corner of the country. Only a few weeks are left for this decision to be reversed and common-sense to prevail. There will be no second chance. Our children and their children are depending on us to ensure the best hospital is built for the best reasons – the health and wellbeing of our children, not the vested interests of adults. Please act now and demand that the new children's hospital is co-located with the maternity at Connolly. Ensure your community will be heard. You can do this by contacting and demanding support from your local public representatives (see www.gov.ie). For further information and contact details for our spokespersons, visit

www.connollyforkidshospital.com. Connolly for Kids Hospital is also on Facebook and Twitter so please share. Sincerely, Dr Fin Breatnach and Dr Roisin Healy.