

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

4TH OCTOBER 2020



Welcome To
St Patrick's Esker/Dodsboro/ Adamstown
October 4, 2020



We remember Breeda Phelan, Sarah Kinsella, Jimzer & Marie Behan & their granddaughter Nicola. Andy & Gerard Hogan, Joe Coffey and Catherine Kehoe whose anniversaries occur. Paddy Clerkin Birthday Remembrance. Sean Kinsella, Bridget Feeney, Jim Roche, Deirdre Cusack and David Stephenson who died recently.

Readings ~ Sun 4th October ~ Day for Life ~
first reading - *Is. 5:1-7* - Palestinians have been tending vine-yards for generations. Today, their land is being grabbed and unjustly occupied. The reading today echoes their cry of distress. ***The second reading*** - *Ph 4:6-9* - Take all your worries into prayer. We are assured that the God of peace, which is beyond our understanding will guard and guide us. ***The Gospel*** - *Mt. 21:33-43* - God's peace can only be cultivated through respect for the dignity of all, daily prayer and fidelity to the gospel of justice.

Biblical Reflection ~ Fr. John will be broadcasting a five minute biblical reflection Mon-Fri at 10am on the parish web site - www.st.patrickslucan.ie

Pope's Intentions for October ~ *Evangelisation*: we pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church. (*Intercom magazine*)

St. Thérèse of Lisieux (Luke 10:1-12) – 1st

October – This daughter of a watchmaker was the youngest of nine children. Her mother was a lace maker and she died when Thérèse was four years old. Her central teaching, contained in her book, *The Story of a Soul* was that ordinary people could lead saintly lives by the Little Way. When the relics of St. Thérèse came to Ireland, people flocked in huge numbers to welcome them. People recognised that in Thérèse that Christ became a real presence for her, through family traumas and when she got tuberculosis that claimed her life at the age of 24. (*Intercom Magazine*)

The Guardian Angels (Matthew 18:1-5, 10) – 2nd

Oct – The presence of the Angels is common with the Abrahamic Faith religions: Christianity, Judaism Islam and the Bahá'í, as well as being mentioned in Sikh and Zoroastrian text. We believe that each one of us has a Guardian Angel that watches over us and helps us. Angels are God's messengers. In unseen ways our angels help us on our earthly journey.

They come the messenger of love,
They come from peace above,
From homes of never-fading light
From blissful mansions every-bright.
They come to watch around us here,
To soothe our sorrow, calm our fear:
Ye heavenly guides, speed not away,
God willeth you, with us to stay.

(Hymn from the Liturgy of the Hours for the feast of Guardian Angels)

The phrase the *'messenger of love'* from the hymn is a perfect description for the Angels. We pray in Psalm 91:12-12 *'For you has he commanded his angels to keep you in all your ways.'* In the gospel we are reminded *'not to look down on any of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels are always in the presence of my Father in Heaven'* (Matthew 18:10).

(Intercom Magazine)