

15th November 2015
Thirty Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time

The images of the Saints, in the form of statues or stained glass, that you find in churches all around the world, remind us that Saints come in all different shapes and sizes: they are from different centuries, different countries and cultures; there are the young and the old; there are priests, religious and lay people, married and single. Among them are men and women who gave everything to serve the sick and the poor, a number who endured terrible cruelty and gave their lives for the love of Christ, others who served God generously in peaceful times. All of them, in the different circumstances of their lives, were people of prayer whose hearts were open to God and neighbour. Their diversity tells us that, even in the face of the greatest challenges, sanctity is for all, and possible for all.

In the Cathedral Church of Los Angeles, there are magnificent tapestries showing a great procession of Saints; they say that the artist gave the Saints the faces of local people in the city. The diverse characters among the Saints in any church also teach us that sanctity wears different faces; faces we might meet on the street, from Santa Monica Blvd. to River Valley Road. We walk among Saints every day.

A small child, looking at stained glass windows of the Saints, once said: "A saint is one who lets the Light shine through". As we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, we are reminded that we too are called to let God's Light shine through by the way we live, because we belong "in that number, when the Saints go marchin' in!"

RELICS



The relics of Saints Louis and Zélie Martin (parents of St Therese of Lisieux) will be visiting Brackenstown on Tuesday 17th November. There will be prayer service for children at 2.50pm and Mass at 7.30pm followed by a blessing with the relics

KINGDOM REVELATOR

This is a new magazine that has been launched in all parishes. It's a Christian magazine aimed at young people, filled with interesting information. Please take one and give it a read. It's FREE.

Weekend Collections

7th Nov / 8th Nov

For the running of our parish

Envelope Collection: **€930**

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: **€565**

(First collection)

Share **€633**

(Second Collection)



Baptism Dates

Baptisms on the following Sundays at

12.30pm

Nov 22nd

Dec 13th and Dec 27th

Jan 10th and Jan 24th



Week commencing
16th November

Mon 16th Rory O' Connor (RD)

Tues 17th Mollie Mulligan (RD)

Wed 18th Elizabeth & Denis Kiarney
(AN)

Thur 19th Rose Howard (RD)

Fri 20th Rose Howard (RD)

Sat 21st

11am Martin Redmond (RD)

Vigil 6.30pm

Michael & Maureen Murtagh (AN)

Sun 22nd

10am Benny Power (9th AN)

11.30am Declan Connaughton (6th AN)



St Vincent de Paul
Society

Last week's Church Gate
collection amounted to

€831.72. Many thanks for your
generosity.