

St. Nicholas News

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL IN THE LIBERTIES



The St Patrick's Day Festival runs from 15th to 19th March, with the all-important Day itself on Saturday 17th March. There are quite a few things happening in the Liberties:

Guinness In The Liberties Tour: Guinness is synonymous with the Liberties and Dublin 8 since Arthur Guinness famously signed the lease on St. James Gate site in 1759. The Guinness in the Liberties Tour is a mysterious guided tour along the back streets of Dublin 8. Starting at St. Patrick's Cathedral the tour will move along Thomas Street where you will find world-class street artists re-imagining photographs from the Guinness Archive. Tour times: Friday 16th-Sunday 18th at 1.30pm & 3.30pm. Information and booking at www.stpatricksfestival.ie

In the Footsteps of St Patrick with Pat Liddy: Did you know that much of the pre-Viking development of Dublin owes its origins to the legacy of St. Patrick? One of Dublin's best-known tour guides will show you the ancient sites of the city connected to our patron saint, including the area between the two great medieval cathedrals of Dublin, Christ Church and St. Patrick's. Tour times: 15th, 16th, 18th March 10.30am and 2.15pm, 17th March 2.15pm. More information and booking at www.stpatricksfestival.ie

St Patrick's Festival 'Spirit of Dublin' Craft Fair: The Teeling Distillery at Newmarket is hosting a range of events to celebrate the saint and Irish culture, including its celebrated Spirit of Dublin craft fair from 10am to 5pm on Sunday 18th March. The distillery will be packed with the very best of food, drink and crafts including many from the local area. And there's more: Teelings week of Irishness includes Barrel of Laughs - a stand-up comedy event on 15th March - as well as special tastings and tours all through the week. Find out more at www.teelingdistillery.com

Saints and Sinners: Pearse Lyons Distillery: Visit The Liberties' most iconic new attraction, with its stunning glass spire lit green for festival week. The distillery and visitor experience is hosting a week-long series of special tours and events around the theme of 'saints and sinners', exploring the fascinating tales of its historic graveyard, the story of the Camino, the history of The Liberties and of course, the story behind its whiskeys. More details at www.pearselyonsdistillery.com

Marsh's Library, St Patrick's Close: Located next to St Patrick's Cathedral is Dublin's oldest public library - Archbishop Marsh's Library. Founded by Narcissus Marsh in the early 18th century, this beautiful building houses a rare and fascinating collection of over 25,000 books, manuscripts, maps and other objects. A veritable treasure-trove, the Library is open to all. More details on opening times and events at www.marshlibrary.ie

NOTICES

Remembered at Mass

Recently Deceased

Henry Doherty (Funeral 11am Monday), Mary Roche, Teresa White, Desmond Curley (brother of Fr. Con Curley), Tommy Bruce.

Sat 6pm: Thomas Deasy, Michael Carroll, Simon & Josie Dunne, Pauline Marshall, Patrick & Evelyn Brennan, Margaret & Terence Doyle & Family.

Sun 11.30am: Kenneth Kirkwood Deceased Members Farrell & Hyland Families, Deceased members of the O'Sullivan Family, Bernie & Robert (7th A) Richardson, Teresa Barden (birthday remembrance), Monica Conahey.



Mass St. Patrick's Day

Saturday 17th, mass for St. Patrick's day at 10am.



St. Patrick's Cathedral School

A new school building for St. Patrick's Cathedral Grammar School has just been unveiled on Kevin Street. The new building is designed by Quilligan Architects, a practice based on nearby Camden Street. educational establishments. The new building is a fine addition to the area. Some consider the schools most recent buildings to be plain and drab and most likely reflect the tight finances when they were built in the 1980s. The new school house is much more interesting. Read more about the schools history here:

<http://www.stpatrickscgs.ie/index.php/school/history>



Grow

If you are lonely, isolated or suffering from stress help is at hand. GROW Community Mental

MONTHLY COLLECTION FOR LOCAL ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THIS WEEKEND

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Health Movement holds a support group on Tuesdays at 6.00pm in School Street Family Resource Centre, School Street, Pimlico. Meetings are free to attend and no introduction necessary just come along or contact Izabela 086 822 3680. / 014547018 GROW Promoting Positive Mental Health

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World Youth Day 2019

The next World Youth Day will take place in Panama next January 22-27. It is hoped that young people aged 16-29 from the Archdiocese will travel. Parishes will soon receive posters to advertise and invite young people to take up Pope Francis' invitation to meet him in Panama. To find out more or if you have a query you can contact the Office for Evangelisation & Ecumenism via email - evangelisation@dublindioocese.ie Details of the Pilgrimage to World Youth Day are being finalised. Pope Francis' Message for the 33rd World Youth Day - which will be held at diocesan level on Palm Sunday - centres on the theme: "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God" (Lk 1:30). The document is available in various languages on the Vatican website at <http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/youth/index.html>

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy. Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.' And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Psalm 136

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!

By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept, remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there we
hung up our harps. R/

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for
songs, our oppressors, for joy. 'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.' R/

O how could we sing the song of the Lord
on alien soil? If I forget you Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither! R/

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys! R/

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ - it is through grace that you have been saved - and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of eternal glory! God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son; everyone who believes in him has eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of eternal glory!

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Gospel

A reading from the Gospel of John

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the person who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Church opens: 9.30am - 12noon, Mon, Tues, Weds, Friday, Sat(5pm-7pm), Thurs: 9.30am - 11am, Sun: 10am - 12.15pm
