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

1<sup>5T</sup> APRIL 2018



#### Welcome To St Patrick's Esker/Dodsboro/ Adamstown April 1, 2018

Mass Intentions for coming week: Sun: 9am: Catherine Sherry &



Mary Peppard (A); Remember Larry Smith (A); **10.30am:** Sadie Delahanty (RIP); Gerorge & Margaret Coates (A); **12 noon:** Vincent Duffy (A).

Mon. 10am: Emma McDermott (A); Niamh Rankinin (RIP); Peggy Creed Intentions; Tues. 10am: Flan Moroney (M.M.); Pat Clarke (RIP); Tom Toone (RIP); John Sheridan (RIP); Wed. 10am: Bridie Hayden (RIP); Jessie Murray (RIP); Thurs. 10am: Gerry McGarry (RIP); Brenda Tyer (RIP); Fri. 10am: First Friday – Altar list of the Dead; Sat.

10am: Martin O'Halloran (A); Claodhai Nolan (RIP); Patrick Garland (A).

Remember in your prayers this weekend – Pat Garland, Derek Gallagher, Miriam Kearns, Johnny Clancy, Johanne & John Byrne, Agatha & James Matthews, John Joseph Melody, Jane, Noel & Debbie Mulhall whose anniversaries occur.

Baptisms: Welcome into the Christian



Community this weekend – Qi Hao, Simon Ng, Alannah O'Cannon, Judy Zhu and Kammy Tang.

### Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> April - Easter Sunday - Resurrection:

We gather to celebrate God's victory over death. Let us thank God for the hope our Easter faith holds out to us.

Readings - Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> April: The First Reading - The Acts of the



Apostles is the Church's "Easter Book": it follows the joyful path of the first disciples after the first Easter *The Second Reading* – (1 Cor 5: 6-8) We celebrate our Easter faith not just by an emotionally-based rejoicing, but by pursuing sincerity and truth. The

*Gospel* – The stone has been rolled away! The obstacles we face are no obstacles to God.

## Collections: Sat. & Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>: First Collection - €1210: This

money goes to pay the salaries of the Priests of the Parish; Priests in Poorer Parishes; Priests in non-income-earning appointments; Priests on study leave; Priests who are ill or retired. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (SHARE): €1065: For Diocesan Projects. Thank you for your generosity. Planned Giving (Envelopes) €695; Standing Orders €576: For Parish Maintenance & Development. Thank you for your weekly contributions.

Bring & Buy Cake Sale: A bring and buy cake sale will be held after all the Masses in St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> April and Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> April. This is aid of Fr. Kidus in Ethiopia. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

**Parish Book:** This book was launched on St. Patrick's weekend and it celebrates our Parish over the past 40 years – copies available in the Pastoral Centre or in the porch after the Sunday Masses at a cost of  $\leq 10$ . A great read.

Being Hopeful on our Journey: Easter... reminds us that there is for all of us the real possibility of a fresh start and a different outcome to the challenging perplexity of our lives. The forty days of lent are behind us. The fifty days of Easter stretch out before us. As we have died with Christ so now shall we live with him. Our old life is at an end. There is a new beginning. We should not understand this too naively, of course. Easter is a genuine possibility for all of us, but we need to make it our own if anything is to come of it. The journey through Lent to Easter is the journey of a lifetime. As to where we might be in that journey... for many of us it is, perhaps, still very early on the first day of the week and quite dark in the first glimmer of dawn. But that is enough to nourish our hope. *(Fr. James O'Kane, Shortish Homilies* for 2017/18 (Year B.) Part 1: Advent to Pentecost)

# Wishing you the graces and blessings of a Happy Easter.