



Staff of the Pro-Cathedral - Fr Kieran McDermott, Adm., Sr. Patricia Somers, RSC (Parish Sister)
Fr Brendan Staunton, SJ, (Parish Chaplain)

Mass Times

Monday to Friday: 10.30 a.m. and 12.45 p.m.

Saturday: 10.30 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. (*Vigil Mass*)

Sunday: 9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.

Confessions

Monday to Saturday after the 10.30 a.m. Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday after the 10.30 a.m. Mass to 12.30 p.m.

World Meeting of Families 21st to 26th August



DUBLIN, IRELAND

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

21-26 AUGUST 2018

22 to the 24 August

Meeting of Families in the RDS. Each day will reflect on the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World" chosen by the Holy Father and will include an enriching programme for adults of keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions; an engaging and exciting programme for young people as well as fun activities for children. The Congress will also include daily celebration of the Eucharist, prayerful activities, exhibitions, cultural events and musical performances.

Saturday 25 August

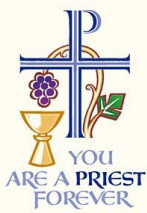
Pro-Cathedral

Pope Francis will visit the Pro-Cathedral to meet with **recently engaged and married couples** from all over Ireland. Tickets will be distributed regionally.

Festival of Families, Croke Park Stadium at 6.30 p.m. comprising a reflective concert style event within a prayerful and joyful atmosphere, in which personal stories of faith will be shared by families from all continents.

Sunday 26 August

At 3.00 p.m. Solemn Eucharistic Celebration in the Phoenix Park. Tickets are available from World Meeting of Families website from Monday 25th June. www.WorldMeeting2018.ie



Ordination to the Priesthood

Robert Smyth will be Ordained to the Priesthood by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin for the Dublin Diocese on **Friday 29th June at 3.00 p.m.**

Everyone is very welcome to attend.

Please remember Robert in your prayers.



The Palestrina Choir & St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir

will finish today for their summer break. We hope that they have an enjoyable summer.

Thought for the day

A birth is never "just" a birth. Each new life is always a gift and, at the same time, an affirmation, a sign of hope. Even in difficult circumstances, joy is the spontaneous response and with such joy comes a new sense of being more alive, more ourselves, more "graced", with a raised awareness of God-with-us. Parents wonder always "what will become of this child?" What holds for each of us was also true of John the Baptist, only all the more so, as we see in Luke's account. He was the last of the old and the first of the new, a prophet between the times — not unlike ourselves!

Prayer

As we continue to grow strong in spirit, Lord, help us to become the person whose real potential is known to you alone. May the hand of your blessing be upon us all, now and evermore.



The local **Conferences of the St. Vincent de Paul Society** will take up their monthly collection after all the Masses this weekend.

The **Second Collection** next Sunday 1st July is for the **Pope and Pontifical Charities (Peter's Pence)**.

Replaces the Share Collection.