

# DUBLIN LATIN MASS CHAPLAINCY NEWSLETTER

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November is the month of the **Holy Souls**, the dead who left this world in God's grace, but who must suffer for a time in Purgatory to be cleansed of their sins before entering into Heaven. They cannot help themselves, but we can help them by our prayers, by having Masses offered for them, and by gaining indulgences for them. The conditions for indulgences are set out below. Masses are offered throughout the year for those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead, envelopes for which you will find on the tables in the church.

During this month there will be a series of sermons on **the four last things**: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell.

The **Archbishop's visit** to mark the tenth anniversary of the Latin Mass Chaplaincy at Saint Kevin's was a great success. I am very grateful to all who played a special role in preparing for the occasion, in particular our sacristan, altar boys, musicians, those who cleaned the church, and those who prepared the tea.

*I thank you for the manner in which this community has, over the past ten years, built up a liturgical tradition where prayerfulness, dignity and the reflectiveness of its music have led its members more deeply into the mystery of our salvation.*

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Saint Kevin's, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017

The next major anniversary coming up will be in 2022, when we shall celebrate the **150<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of the opening and dedication of Saint Kevin's. What should we do to mark that occasion? Ideally, it would be wonderful to complete the work of restoration of the church. So many people admire the restored sanctuary: why not extend this refurbishment to the whole building? To discuss this project, I invite you to a meeting in the church hall after Mass on 12<sup>th</sup> November. The parish architects will be in attendance, and will speak to us of the work which needs to be done, and, of course, about the cost!

### November Plenary Indulgences for the Holy Souls: Conditions

- 1. Church Indulgence:** From **noon on the 1<sup>st</sup> November to midnight on the 2<sup>nd</sup>**: a plenary indulgence may be gained by visiting **a church or oratory** and reciting the Apostles' Creed and Our Father. There must also be reception of Holy Communion, prayer for the Holy Father's intentions, and Confession within a week.
- 2. Cemetery Indulgence:** From **the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of November**: a plenary indulgence may also be gained, one per day, by visiting **a cemetery**. For each indulgence the obligations of receiving Communion and praying for the Pope's intentions must be fulfilled, but it is sufficient to go to Confession once for several indulgences.

Parents with children for **First Holy Communion and Confirmation** next year should get in touch with me as soon as possible. To register formally it is necessary to submit a copy of your child's certificate of Baptism.

The **young men's sodality** is now up and running, and going very well. It takes place every Friday at 7.00pm, beginning with a half hour of prayer, followed by a half hour of religious instruction, and concluding with a social gathering. On first Fridays, the Mass and Holy Hour replace the usual prayer and instruction. Any young men aged 18 to about 35 are very welcome; it is enough to turn up in the church at 7.00pm. Parking in the church grounds.

There will be a **cup of tea** in the hall after Mass on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>.

The **book of the month** is *Noble Beauty, Transcendent Holiness* by Dr Peter Kwasniewski. This is "a frank, honest, and deep explanation of worship, prayer, and liturgy" (back cover). Paperback, 317pp. On sale after Mass in the rear right-hand porch for €18.

*Liturgical calendar and Mass times overleaf.*

*The V. Rev. Gerard Deighan, Adm., Chaplain*