

Zion Parish Notices

Thursday, 2nd March 2017

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Services

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8.00pm Compline

Sunday, 5th March

The First Sunday in Lent

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Confirmation

Monday, 6th March – HPU Service

8.00pm Chapel of Memory

Wednesday, 8th March

10.30am Matins

Thursday, 9th March

8.00pm Compline

Sunday, 12th March

The Second Sunday in Lent

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Matins

Compline

We meet every Thursday during Lent to celebrate the close of day in prayer with the ancient, meditative service of Compline. 8.00pm in the Chapel of Memory, beginning this evening.

Lent talks at Rathgar Methodist Church

The Lenten series, *Christianity from where I'm sitting*, continues with Ven. Gordon Linney in conversation at 8.00pm on Wednesday, 8th March in Rathgar Methodist Church, Brighton Road. Patsy McGarry is the speaker on Wednesday, 15th March. Refreshments provided.

Website - www.zionparish.ie



Maeve's story

Many of you will know Maeve Coghlan through the church choir. While chatting over coffee after our Sunday services you may have heard Maeve talk about her great attachment to Kenya and the work she does throughout the year for the orphans living in Cheryl's Children's Home near Nairobi.

For a long time we have wanted to know more. With this in mind Stephen invited Maeve to speak during the service on Sunday, 19th February. We were touched by what Maeve had to say, in particular about her connection with the child she has sponsored since he was a little boy, her pleasure in how Kevin is getting along and the delight she takes in receiving his letters about school life and his college plans.

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Maeve (right) pictured during one of her trips to Kenya.

Raffle Tickets

Those of you who could not collect your envelopes in church should have received your tickets for the Grand Raffle which takes place during the parish sale on April 1st at the High School.

Please return your stubs and money to the Parish Office or to the Raffle Table on sale day. If we all manage to sell our allocation of tickets we will raise over €7,000

We would be grateful if you could return unused ticket books to the office at any time. We always need more.

Thank you. MH

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Many of you asked how you might become involved with this charity. Because Kenya Build is small, ethically run and very transparent, aid is given directly to those who need it, and you will genuinely get to know who it is you help.

Maeve will tell you in her own words about the charity and what you can do. Please think hard about it, if you can afford to sponsor a child you will make a lasting difference in the life of another person, their family and the future family they will gather around them. However that is not possible for many but if you can spare your time Maeve could really use your help with bag-packing in SuperValu at the end of August (just put the dates in your diary today).

'Kenya Build was established in 2002 in order to help house, feed and educate orphans from the horrific slums in the greater Nairobi area. Kenya Build has rebuilt over 5 orphanages since they started. I have travelled with the team on 7 occasions. During my 2010 visit, after the day's building, my friend James and I taught the children songs, performed in charity concerts, and recorded a charity CD with them. Kenya Build's work is an ongoing process. Once these children leave school, they directly appeal to us for help in obtaining fees for their 3rd level education'.

Ways to help:

- a) **Travel to Kenya and help build.** €3000 is the all-inclusive amount needed to pay for the trip, including building materials. Every cent is used on site, there are no 'middle-man' fees.
- b) **Sponsor a child.** You are never too young or too old to take on helping to educate a child. It costs €35 per month paid by standing order directly to Kenya Build.
- c) **Support us and buy a CD.** The CDs are still available and can be bought for €7.50. This money will go directly to Cheryl's Children's Home as all the singers were housed and educated in this establishment.
- d) I have raised the money for the college fees by doing **bag-packing in Supervalu Churchtown.** Each year around €2,300 has been collected and this has paid for annual college fees for *at least* one student. My next bag-pack is during the last weekend in August and I would very much appreciate if you could give me two hours during that weekend. 24th August – 27th August.

Thank you sincerely, Maeve

‘Thanks for helping’

Thank you from Barbara and Sam Strong for your help in making their Alzheimer Tea Day fundraiser such a success.

Despite the very wet weather people came out and enjoyed getting together on the day.



Beckett in Foxrock 2017

The End performed by Marcus Lamb, Saturday, 25th March at 8.00pm at Tullow Church, Brighton Road.

Beckett in Foxrock is the second annual event honouring the writer's connection with the area.

Darkly funny but with brilliant humour, *The End* by Samuel Beckett, will be performed in Tullow Church, Foxrock by well-known actor Marcus Lamb on Saturday 25th March. This will be a special, limited capacity event in a unique location inextricably linked with one of Ireland's greatest writers.

Booking essential - Tickets at €25 are on sale on Eventbrite.ie (search for Beckett in Foxrock 2017) to include a wine reception and an exhibition depicting Beckett and Foxrock.

Information: beckettfoxrock@gmail.com or www.tulowdublin.org



Mothering Sunday Pop-up Deli gifts

Make everyone happy on Sunday, 26th March 2017

On Mothering Sunday we will have superb quality food, confectionary and preserves gift-packed and ready for you purchase to give to friends and partners; mums, grandmothers, and godmothers.

Save time and come straight to us on the day have little ones enjoy picking out gifts or choose something for yourself while helping to raise funds for the parish.

After the 10.30am church service, Zion Parish Hall