

To celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the opening of our Lady's Parish Centre, we are holding a small celebration in the Coffey Dock in the Parish Centre after 9.30am Mass on Ш

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Thursday next 25th April in the Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our local business', parishioners and all the groups who use the Parish Centre on a regular basis. We look forward to seeing you all on the day.

<u>Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood</u> A leaflet containing full details of this initiative is available in the porches. <u>Please take a copy home</u>.

A Year of Prayer (2023-2024) for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood is being promoted by the National Vocations Office of the Irish Catholic Bishops Conference.

Families or individuals in our combined parishes are invited to host a **Special Chalice** in their homes for a week. Those who take the Chalice undertake to pray each day, in the presence of the chalice, the prayers for the intentions of the Year of Prayer from the booklet of prayers which is provided with the Chalice. They can also say prayers of their choosing for their own intentions.

A similar Prayer Chalice initiative for vocations in our parish in 2016 proved very successful and we pray for a similar response from parishioners on this occasion. - Parishioners interested in receiving the Chalice are invited to give their name and address after this Mass at any of the church exits. You can also contact Carmel at 087-1365618, Paul at 087-7785438 or Kieran at 087-2413522

<u>LEGION OF MARY - LEIXLIP BRANCH:</u> Legion of Mary Meetings take place: Every Thursday at 7.15pm: In Our Lady's Parish Centre.

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CONFEY PARISH - 40TH ANNIVERSARY:

On the 22nd May 1984, the Archbishop of Dublin constituted the new parish of St Charles Borromeo, Confey.

2024 marks the 40th Anniversary and there are lots of events and celebrations planned throughout the year.

Full details are available in the notice boards and on both Leixlip and Confey websites.

Here are some of the planned events to celebrate this special 40th Anniversary:

. Day Tríp To Knock Saturday Next 27th Apríl

As our day trip to Knock is fast approaching, we expect you are all looking forward to it. Barton's bus first pick-up point is at Confey Church at 8am and second pick-up at Leixlip Church at 8.15 am. With the unseasonal changeable weather warm clothes and

comfortable footwear are recommended.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

40 HOUR ADORATION MAY 2024

40 hrs Adoration will commence on Wed. 22nd May at 5.30pm and will continue right through until Friday 24th at 9.30am.

To ensure there is more than one person with the Blessed Sacrament during the 40 hours – we are looking for more people to come and sit with the Blessed Sacrament for an hour. Please consider spending an hour with Jesus and leave your name, date and time that suits you, in the parish office:

CELEBRATION LUNCH:

A celebration lunch will take place **ON:** Sunday 26th May 2024: **AT**: 1pm **IN:** Confey G.A.A. Tickets €15 per person & are on sale in Confey Parish Office from Monday to Friday 10am to 12pm.

There are limited tickets left for this special celebration lunch so get your ticket as soon as possible.

<u>LEIXLIP & CONFEY</u> FAMILY HOME FAITH <u>GROUPS (CELL GROUPS):</u>

The Parish Cells follow the format of the early Church, forming small faith communities. If you enjoyed the Lenten Programme, this may be a natural follow-on for you. For further information contact: Leixlip: Donal Fallon 087 9277971 or Bridie Clancy 087 7034429:

Confey: Bridie Flynn: 087 9535719.

Celbridge: Maura Duggan 087 4141706 Morning Group: Mary: 087 6205435

Next meeting date is the 23rd of April in the Parish Centre at 8pm: Everyone is most welcome:

LEIXLIP'S WOMENS SHED:

Will host a Social Tea & Coffee morning on Friday 26th April 2024 from 10am to 12pm in St Mary's G.A.A. A great chance to meet up and have a chat. Just bring yourself along and they would be delighted to see you for a cuppa & a chat.

CHILDMINDER REQUIRED :

Seeking a childminder for three children aged 5,3 & 1 years. Monday to Wednesday 9am to 5pm from September 2024. School and pre-school drop offs & pick ups required. Open to term time only if preferred. If interested please call Laura on Ph 086 3413448.

ACCORD LUCAN :

Accord Lucan requires a Volunteer Receptionist to help out on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 9pm a few nights a month. For further details contact

Lucy on Ph: 01 6010844 (leave a message) or alternatively you can email <u>lucan@accorddublin.ie</u>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:

First Holy Communions will take place in Leixlip & Confey on Saturday 27th April. Please keep these children in your prayers. *** Please note in Leixlip Parish there will be no 10am Mass on Saturday 27th April to facilitate the First Holy Communions *** ******

LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION:

Will take place next weekend 27th / 28th April and will replace the Share Collection.

*** <u>MASS INTENTIONS -URGENT UPDATE:</u>***

This week's newsletter was prepared and printed on Wednesday 17th due to unforeseen circumstances

If you booked a mass intention after Wednesday it will not be included in the newsletter.

Please be assured the mass intention and name etc. will be offered at the mass time and date you booked but it will just not be printed on the newsletter.

Thank you for your understanding.

<u>thank you !</u>

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Church Basket Collections:

First Collection is in support of the priest of the diocese including sick & retired priests:Second Collection is in support of the Share Fund to help disadvantaged parishes.

LEIXLIP:

Sunday 14th April: 1st Collection €2080. 2nd Collection €1405. *CONFEY*: Sunday 14th April: 1st Collection €520. 2nd Collection €380.