

## Pastors Desk - The One Commandment - Only One

This gospel is like a vision statement or a mission statement from Jesus. About finding joy in listening to Jesus, how to live the good life in love one another, how to love oneself in the love of God, and in directing our lives to bear fruit that will generate love.

It is so central that it is read at many really important moments of a Christian life, it is one of the most popular readings at a wedding, linking the love of **G**od and human love at such a special time.

Jesus' love was to lav down his life, in a specific way. Our love lavs down our life often in small, unforgotten ways.

\*Hours spend with a sick child or parent.

\*vears caring for someone ill,

\*leaving home on missionary assignments;

\*giving up something for the children.

\*Working for peace/justice for the needy

The message is a big challenge in simple ways for most of us.

Isn't it a joy to know that the most enjoyable mystery of life - love, is the only commandment of God? This shows us that God is on our side: His commandment is to do what we want most to do and experience - to love and be loved. Even when the love costs us something.

**R**ecall a time when you felt you were really loving someone. Become aware that you were then very near to God.

Thank you, Lord, for love given and received in my life. ~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.

For the Month of May at 8pm, we would like to invite you a to join us and thousands of people in Ireland each day (1)) as we go to our Grottos to pray the Rosary.

Weekday service in St. Paul's is preceded by the Rosary at 9:40am

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Mass Times :	<b>I</b>	Ayrfield		Donaghmede
Saturday (V	igil) :	5:30 pm		6:30pm
Sundays	:	10:30 am	9:	30am & 11:30am
Weekdays 1	.0am :   <i>Tu</i>	iesday & Thursday	' <b> </b>	Mon, Wed & Fri
Service of Word with	Communion	10am   Monday		Tue & Thur

## Activate your Baptism Calling -Volunteer Sunday Appeal

Many parishioners contribute to the work of the parish in a variety of different ministries. These volunteers are a vital part of our parish life and are much appreciated. On the weekends of the **12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>** of **Mav**. we will have our Volunteer Sunday Appeal. We will have some of our volunteers from our ministry teams speaking about how they share their gifts and talents in our Parishes. If you would like to join any of our parish teams, take the opportunity to look at the different teams displayed in our Volunteer Sunday Leaflet and talk to our dedicated volunteers after the Masses.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje – Fully escorted trip 26<sup>th</sup> Sept – 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct with Marian Pilgrimages. Cost € 835pps. Spiritual Director: Fr Declan Blake. Contact Godfrey & Jackie Carpenter on 087 0691009 for information.

Anam Cara North Dublin, AnamCara the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7:15pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross. Dublin, D17 Y924. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on 085 2888 888 or

info@anamcara.ie for any queries.

March for Life – Stand up for Life Marching from University Church side of St. Stephens Green to Leinster House. Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm

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We remember at Mass

