SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 6th Sept 2020

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATIONS

On Sat last the boys and girls of 6th Classes of Claddagh National School were confirmed in separate ceremonies in our Church. It was a very special day for these young people: the original ceremony was postponed from early April. The ceremony was simple with attendance restricted to a small group of their families. Music was provided by Maureen Browne, Chris Kelly and Yvonne Fahy with Vocalist Carla Merrigan and guest Noreena McDonagh. The Artwork from the school added to the festive atmosphere of the ceremony.

FIRST COMMUNIONS 2020

This year's delayed First Communion will take place on Saturday 19th Sept in two separate ceremonies – taking account of the current restrictions as a result of Covid-19. The postponement of the ceremony from May 2020 caused sadness to the children and their families. For further details, parents are invited to phone Priory Office 091- 582884 or check with teacher at school. The Ceremony be available on the webcam: www.dominicanscladdagh.ie or MCN-Media.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The 10.00am Mass to-day (Sun 6th Sept) is part of the First Communion preparation programme. Children with their parents will be welcome. Also available on webcam: www.dominicanscladdagh.ie or MCN-Media.

THIRTY YEARS SERVICE

We congratulate our receptionist and secretary Noreena McDonagh, who has just celebrated thirty years of loyal service to the Dominican Community and the parishoners. In addition to her normal duties, Noreena has been the friendly voice to answer all queries about weddings in the Claddagh Church. Well done and thank you Noreena!!

FR. TERENCE ANNIVERSARY

A year has passed since Fr. Terence died: a friend of all who knew him. His First Anniversary Mass is to-day (6th Sept.) at 12.00noon.

RAHOON CEMETERY: SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER. MASS AT 11 AM

In agreement with the Diocese this Mass will be held behind closed doors and will not be open to the public. However, this Mass will be streamed live via http://studiorove.ie/graveyardmass/

PRIORY INSTITUTE: Dominican Centre for Theological Studies

Every Autumn and Spring the Priory Institute offers courses to enrich our Christian faith. They are board based and facilitate the exploration of the faith for the world of to-day, and not yesterday.

The Autumn programme of learning begins on19th September. The closing date for registration of this Wednesday 9th September. Due to current restrictions, this year's Launch Day will take place on-line.

If you feel challenged to grow in your faith, there are opportunities to study by distance learning even with the minimum of computer skills. The Institute provides back-up for the learning and teasing out technical problems, when required.

Further details are available on www.prioryinstitute.com.

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