

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH, GREENHILLS

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1st Collection for Clergy Support

2nd Collection (Share) for Diocesan Development & Administration



17th Sunday In Ordinary Time (Year C)

WEDDING



CONGRATULATIONS to Cathy Hennaghan & John Nolan who were married on 17 July 2010. We wish you every happiness and blessing in the future.

The Deep End Hardwired for God

I don't know if our genes are, but according to scientists our brains are: hardwired for God. They're programmed to discover supernatural reasons for life's mysteries. Our brain organises the information, our senses send it to discover cause and effect. Since babies only 12-months old can do this, it seems to be innate rather than acquired. So, the findings of researchers at Bristol University studying the development and workings of children's brains are not surprising. They indicate that belief systems offer a possible evolutionary benefit to people.

An itch to ask the question 'why' is not the only thing that's innate to us. There's the universal hope, expectation even, that good will conquer evil. Just read your novels, watch your films. Don't you feel more satisfied when the good guy wins? Even books and films with ambiguous endings aren't as emotionally satisfying as

those with a clear-cut victory where the one who is good wins out against all the odds. That feel-good factor when good conquers all comes with the job, so to speak, of being human.

It's this faith in goodness, more specifically in God, that's the basis for what today's Gospel reading (Luke 11:1-13) tells us: *Ask, and it will be given you; search and you will find ...* . Scripture is telling us that God doesn't

take us for a ride. He's not a messer, if you'll pardon the slang. He's consistent and we can trust him.

That's the God we're hardwired to believe in, the one who gives the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.

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Sts. Joachim and Ann "Celebrating Grandparents" 26th July

This date is a good opportunity to celebrate grandparents everywhere. It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come and it reminds the younger generation that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience and appreciation of life's

profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

This year's National Grandparents Pilgrimage will take place in Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo, on Sunday, September 12th, at 2pm.

Chief celebrant will be Bishop John McAreevey, Bishop of Dromore, and the keynote speaker will be Breda O'Brien, the well-known Irish Times columnist and teacher.

Tyrone girl Chloe Coyle, a popular winner of this year's Ireland's Got Talent tv show, has agreed to sing at the Mass, while former Eurovision winner Dana, her mentor on the tv programme, will also perform.

Michael English, a Kildare singer who has a huge following around Ireland, will also sing for what is expected to be a packed Basilica at Knock Shrine.

Further details are available on www.CatholicGrandparentsAssociation.com.

PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE...

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www.allhallows.ie

CATHOLIC TELEVISION & RADIO

EWTN TV can be watched on SKY 589, NTL Channel 815.



DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the families, relatives and friends of the late Tommy Barnes, St James's Road and Michael Walker, St Patrick's Road who died recently. May they rest in peace

B.E. - BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Few people are able to cope alone with the pain of loss. Do you find that you need more support than family and

friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge – not weakness. This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. Coping effectively with bereavement is a skill we can all learn. A team, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share their experiences with you.



Next Coping Programme will commence on Wednesday 8 September 2010 at 7.30pm in White Friars Community Centre, Aungier St., Dublin 2
For further information please phone 087 2742451. or email bedublin@gmail.com

3 DAY RETREAT

Manresa 3 Day Retreat for Lay People, from 12 to 15 August. The directors of this retreat will be Fr Barney McGuckian SJ, Ms Mary Hunt and Ms Noreen Mackey. Further information this event is available on the Manresa website www.manresa.ie

OPERA IN THE OPEN

A series of lunchtime performances of **Opera in the open at the Amphitheatre, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 at 1.00 pm on each Thursday in August:**

5th August Don

Pasquale (Donizetti)

12th August Ariodante (Handel)

19th August Cavalleria Rusticana (Mascagn)/Paglicci (Leoncavallo)

26th August Don Giovanni (Mozart)

Narrator: Ciaran Nagle

Musical Director: David Wray


