***Parish News***

* **Watch and Pray:** Volunteers are needed for Eucharist Adoration on Holy Thursday night 13th April after 8:00pm Mass until Midnight. If interested please sign your name on sheet at back of the Church
* **Good Friday:** Catholics aged between 18-60 years fast today. All over the age of 14 abstain from meat.
* **Eucharistic Adoration:** Please note, there will be ***no*** Eucharistic Adoration on Monday 10th April.
* **Accord Carlow:** Pre- Marriage course dates May 5th & 6th and June 9th & 10th, courses will not run during July and August to book a place contact Mary on 059 9138738.
* **Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock Shrine:** Sunday 7th May. Bus leaving Castledermot Church Car Park at 7.00am sharp. Bus fare €20. Four course meal in Creggan Court Hotel €20. Deposit of €10 please by Wednesday 3rd April. For further information please contact: Kathleen Moran on 0599144278 or Adrian Lawler on 089-2443007.
* **Daffodil Day:** The I.C.A and Young at Heart wish to thank everyone who helped make Daffodil Day so successful. Thanks to all who supplied fresh daffodils and refreshments which were gratefully appreciated. The total amount of €3,818.50 was collected.
* **Solemn Novena:** To Our Lady of Perpetual Help in St. Clare’s Church Graiguecullen starts on Monday 24th April until 19th June 2017. Rosary at 7:10pm and Mass at 7:30pm. Singing will be led by Fr. Liam Lawton, accompanied by The Poor Clare Community and Parish Choirs.
* **Blessing of the Graves:** Dates for Blessing of the Graves for 2017 are as follows:

Levitstown ………. Sunday 6th August after 9.30am Mass.

 Castledermot ……. Sunday 13th August after 11.00am Mass.

* **Castledermot Parish Pilgrimage:** (Our Lady of Fatima Centenary Year) 27th – 31st August 2017. 4 nights full board, Hotel Santo Amaro, €569 pps. Single room supplement €100 (limited availability). 10 kg carry-on bag included. Check in bag 15kg - €50 extra. Deposit of €100 to be paid by 7th April please. For further details please contact: Adrian Lawler on 089-2443007.
* **Castledermot Community Employment Scheme Ltd.:** Open position for General Operatives in Castledermot. Please contact CE Supervisor at Teach Diarmada Community Centre in Castledermot at 059 9144888.
* **Volunteers Needed:** Enable Ireland is a national charity providing therapies, educational and social supports free of charge to 3,700 children and adults with physical disabilities. Through their services, they aim to ensure that a disability does not block a child’s access to education, to sport, to building friendships and to participating in the community. These services include medical, para-medical and nursing, also recreation and education, day activity, training and sheltered work. For more information contact Jenny Smee (9.30am-5.00pm Wed to Fri) on 01-8857158.
* **Vacancies:** Please see the Diocesan website for a list of current jobs vacancies for the world Meeting of Families and Dublin Diocese. <http://www.dublindiocese.ie/Current> Vacancies
* **Parishioners:**  Please be aware of the need to be careful with purses, handbags and other valuables. Do not leave these items on view in your car while attending Mass or other Ceremonies.
* **Items for Newsletter:** All items for inclusion in the newsletter must be delivered in person and in writing to the Parish Office by 12noon on Thursday.