**The Parish of Saint Catherine & Saint James with Saint Audoen**

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**Service times every Sunday**

10.00 Eucharist*,* St Audoen, Cornmarket. *(Parking in Francis Street is free on Sundays)*

11.30 Eucharist (and Sunday School, in term time) St Catherine & St James, Donore Avenue. *(Family Service and Church Coffee, usually Second Sundays)*

**Birthday greetings**

Violet Quill, of St Luke’s Church in the Coombe, has celebrated her birthday in August. She tells me she is 95! Eileen Walsh also at one time attached to St Luke’s also has her birthday in August, and birthday greetings have been sent to her in the West of Ireland by Facebook. We are glad that they are both so well after some time of illness. The archives of St Luke’s are very extensive, with Sunday School records, annual reports, and also surviving account books for the parish school.

**Sunday School**

At time of writing, a meeting is about to take place with one of a number of people who have been running events for children in the Parish during the Summer. The clergy and Churchwardens are hoping to facilitate youth ministry with the aid of such a person, chiefly through the Sunday School. Term begins again with the first Sunday in September.

**St Catherine’s National School**

St James’ Hospital Campus extends to 18.8 hectares. The site, a focus for healthcare for several hundred years, is now poised for development that also presents opportunities for the regeneration of the surrounding area. MISA (Mercer’s Institute for Successful Aging) is already in use and a new National Paediatric Hospital and Research Lab Building are proposed on the site, which subject to planning approval will bring the number of people working in the hospital to 7,000. In the longer term, it is the intention of the Health Service Executive that the St James’ Hospital Campus will provide a hub for adult, maternity and children’s acute services.

The guiding principles are set out below: ● The development of a network of streets and public spaces will be promoted to ensure the integration of St. Teresa’s Gardens with the Player Wills and Bailey Gibson sites, with further potential in the sites of the Coombe Hospital and White Heather Industrial Estate ● A mixed-use urban quarter will be promoted across adjoining sites ● Provision shall be made for the expansion of **St. Catherine's National School**, Donore Avenue, in the re-development of the former Player Wills site, subject to agreement with the Department of Education and Skills.

**St Audoen's Church**

Dr Susan Hood of the Church of Ireland Library and Archive has hosted the very successful launch of an online resource recently at St Audoen’s. The Archbishop of Armagh and other public representative thronged the Church to hear how the surviving records of our Church have been entrusted to the Library of the Representative Church Body by the Government of Ireland, and that they are now available online. This is a most interesting development in the life of the Church and one that will be of great benefit to the immense numbers of people of Irish descent trying to research their family tree, many of them American citizens.

Dr Stuart Kinsella brought his Peregryne choir to sing Compline recently at St Audoen’s, and invited the Rector to sing the Priest’s part of the Office. This was in conjunction with the Cantus Planus conference with the University of Notre Dame, and the UCD School of Music. Cantus Planus is a study group of the International Musicological Society and meets every two years in different venues. This was the first time the meeting took place in Ireland, or indeed, in any English-speaking country. The numerous attendees were mainly academics, either professors or graduate students, who work on medieval monophonic chant (Western Latin and Eastern Byzantine, and so on), some accompanied by their families. St Audoen's was chosen for this prestigious occasion because the musicians find that it has a fine acoustic, an intimate setting, and is steeped in the medieval history of the city of Dublin.

**Oxfam Ireland**

Hello Mark, in this edition of our newsletter, I'd like to share with you how your support is helping those most in need. As you may know, the situation facing refugees from Syria has been one of the big international stories of the past year. But another crisis has been less visible.

Tens of thousands of refugees have fled Burundi, a landlocked country in East Africa, into neighbouring Tanzania after election tensions last year led to weeks of violent protests. Over the course of a single month last year the refugee population in Tanzania went from 210 to over 50,000 people. Now 130,000 Burundian refugees are in Tanzania.

Most refugees arriving were settled into Nyarugusu camp, which is the third largest refugee settlement in the world. This camp quickly reached capacity, so a new camp called Nduta was opened last year. I'm just back from visiting these camps in Tanzania, where I've seen first-hand the difference being made by Oxfam supporters just like you.

September is critical time for the global crisis. In just a few months, the UN will host a Migration Summit in New York. The next day another summit will be hosted by US President Barack Obama. The aim of the twin summits is to agree a new set of global policies on refugees and migrants and bring countries together to commit to a more humane and effective response to the current crisis. We are calling on world leaders to stand as one and provide a global solution to this crisis. If you haven't already, please [join the campaign](http://elink.oxfamireland.org/c/3/?T=TmpNd09URXhORGs6TURJdFlqRTJNakV3TFdKaE5EWTJOR1V3WldFME9UUm1ZbVpoTWpReU5XTXhPRE14TkRobVlqUTU6YldGeWEyZGhjbVJ1WlhKQVpXbHlZMjl0TG01bGRBOlkyOXVkR0ZqZEMwNFlUTXpNemMzTkRFM09HUmxNekV4WW1FNU5EQXdOVEExTmpnek1XSTVPUzB4TkdaaE16Y3paV1U1WmpnME0ySXhPR05pTTJWallURmxOR1l3TVRoaE5n&K=d6tVgXbz919qlKUCwB7uvg&uId=1&dUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oxfamireland.org%2Fgetinvolved%2Frighttorefuge%3Futm_source%3Dnewsletter%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Djuly16%26_cldee%3DbWFya2dhcmRuZXJAZWlyY29tLm5ldA%253d%253d) by calling on your government to work together with world leaders to protect and save lives at the September summits. To learn more about the incredible work you're making possible, visit our website at [oxfamireland.org.](http://elink.oxfamireland.org/c/3/?T=TmpNd09URXhORGs6TURJdFlqRTJNakV3TFdKaE5EWTJOR1V3WldFME9UUm1ZbVpoTWpReU5XTXhPRE14TkRobVlqUTU6YldGeWEyZGhjbVJ1WlhKQVpXbHlZMjl0TG01bGRBOlkyOXVkR0ZqZEMwNFlUTXpNemMzTkRFM09HUmxNekV4WW1FNU5EQXdOVEExTmpnek1XSTVPUzB4TkdaaE16Y3paV1U1WmpnME0ySXhPR05pTTJWallURmxOR1l3TVRoaE5n&K=d6tVgXbz919qlKUCwB7uvg&uId=2&dUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oxfamireland.org%3Futm_source%3Dnewsletter%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Djuly16%26_cldee%3DbWFya2dhcmRuZXJAZWlyY29tLm5ldA%253d%253d) Best wishes, Jim Clarken, Chief Executive, Oxfam Ireland.