

## Family Masses

Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018, guided by the theme “The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World”.

Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church.

The main events of the World Meeting Of Families 2018 will take place in Dublin, at a large conference venue as well as in other venues in and around the city. However, in the run up to the main events, all parishes and schools in Ireland have been asked to hold related events.

We as a school are going to celebrate a family mass each month starting on 8<sup>th</sup> December and finishing in June 2018. Families are asked to join in with the mass as much as possible and each month a different year group will lead our mass.

Mass will be celebrated in St. Mary’s Chapel at 1.30pm on the following dates:

8<sup>th</sup> December 2017 Feast of Immaculate Conception (led by P6)

11<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (led by P7)

8<sup>th</sup> February 2018 (led by P5)

15<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (led by P4)

19<sup>th</sup> April 2018 (led by P6)

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 (led by P5)

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018 (led by P7)

We hope that as many family members as possible will attend these masses.