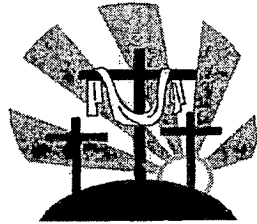


# REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of

Angela Brady, Rebecca Halion,

who died recently and also for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Baby Claire Kennedy, Seán Daly, Eileen & Desmond O'Neill, John Burke, William Nelson, Deceased members of Nelson family, Joseph & Anne Murray, David & Frances Bisette, Patsy Galvin, and for Brendan Mackey whose Month's Mind occurs.

MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

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## CHURCH COLLECTIONS

We thank you for your contributions to the Church collections.

The amounts collected last weekend are

DATE	GREEN BASKET	SHARE
27 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	€2,300	€1,550

The green basket is the collection for the support of the priests of the Diocese. The white basket is the collection for Share, which meets the needs both of poorer parishes and of central agencies of the Diocese.

We thank you for your continuing support of all the collections.

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# WEEKLY BULLETIN



## St. Mary's, Star of the Sea, Sandymount

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Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Lord, you seem to be bent on convincing your disciples that you are truly risen. For you knew too well that the future of your revolution depended on how firmly they believed in your resurrection and how boldly they would proclaim it. So you reach them in the grip of fear, huddled behind locked doors. You endow them with your Spirit and empower them to win over sin.

But I am awed to see you appear again for the sake of just one person – the loner Thomas who was absent. Sounds so capricious his wanting to touch your wounds and verify. You are so gracious to condescend to his demand. Thank you, Lord, that you pay attention to every individual and care for them personally.

Risen Lord, come to meet each of us wherever we are at, with questions and doubts and the fears and anxieties of our time. Lift us, like Thomas, into a deeper faith in you. Amen.

**First Communion Programme**

The Parish Programme 'Do This in Memory' will have its next special Mass with children and parents preparing for First Communion on Sunday next, April 10<sup>th</sup>. We encourage parents to help the children at home by working with the material in both 'Thumbs' and the Grapevine letter and bringing them each Sunday to Mass.

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**First Communion Days**

It's not long now until we celebrate First Communion Days in our parish.

On Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, the children attending St. Matthew's School and other children attending schools outside the parish will have their First Communion celebration at the 10.30am Mass.

The girls attending Scoil Mhuire, Lakelands, will celebrate their First Communion on Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 11.00am, while boys from Star of the Sea School will celebrate on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, at 11.00am. The following day, Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup>, will be the Feast of Corpus Christi to which we invite all the boys and girls who have celebrated First Communion Day during May to come together with their parents to the 12 noon Mass. They will lead us in the Corpus Christi procession after Mass to the lawn where Benediction will take place.

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**Welcome to Fr. Conor Murphy**

This week we welcome the assistance of Fr. Conor Murphy, O.M.I. when Fr. John takes a break.

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**Easter Dues**

Fr. John and Fr. Martin would like to thank all parishioners who have already sent in their Easter Dues. Easter Dues envelopes may be handed in at the sacristy, the parish office or put in the letter box in the parish office door. They can also be put into the collection baskets on Sundays.

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**Trocaire Boxes**

We would ask you to return your Trocaire boxes as soon as possible if you haven't already done so. If your Trocaire box came to you from one of the parish schools rather than here at the church, it's best that it is returned to the school. On behalf of Trocaire, we thank you for your generous support.

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**BAPTISMS**

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community

*Eva Mary Murphy  
Elinor Mai Cunningham  
Owen Philip Cunningham*

who were baptised last Sunday

'May you live always as members of the Body of Christ, sharing everlasting life'

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**BAPTISMS IN MAY**

Baptisms will be celebrated on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22nd. Baptism Application forms are available in the parish office Monday – Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm. Applications, giving 1 month's notice, must be made in advance of the preparatory meeting for each month's celebrations. The preparation meeting for May baptisms will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00pm. Parents are advised that godparents must be practicing Catholics who are at least 16 years of age and that godparents should be one of each gender, godfather and godmother.

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**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016!**

Star of the Sea 12<sup>th</sup> Golf Classic  
Elm Park Golf Club  
SAVE THE DATE!

To book a place or sponsor an Ad or Tee Box please fill in a Booking Form, and return it as soon as possible to the Parish office, Star of the Sea Church

OR by email to

[stargolfclassic@gmail.com](mailto:stargolfclassic@gmail.com)

OR CONTACT

Martin Coonan: 087 2304042

Charlotte O'Neill: 086 2162348

Martin Tormey: 087 6940297

The Golf Classic represents not only a helpful fundraising event but a great social occasion in the life of the parish.

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**The Pauline Circle**

The Pauline Circle will meet at 8.00 pm on, Tuesday 5th April at Community Rooms at MARIAN COLLEGE, Lansdowne Road - "On interfaith relations from 1916 to the present day" Also Yanky Fachler will speak on Thursday at 7.30 pm at the same venue on his experience 1940-1945 at the Pillar of Fire (Catholic - Jewish discussion group).

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