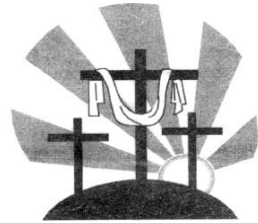


REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for Jean Gilshinan and Tony Allen whose funerals took place this week and for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Gladys Mc Neill, Marie Bolger, Michael Shalloo, Pat Ryan and Jim Cribben and for Clare Nelson 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.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

The amounts collected last weekend are:

| DATE | GREEN BASKET | PETER'S PENCE |
|----------|--------------|---------------|
| July 3rd | €1,095 | €1,510 |

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 contributions to the Church collections and for your continuing support of all the collections.

A big thank you to all who have sent in Summer Dues donations and for the great response in last week's Peter's Pence Collection.

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

Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Monday to Friday 9.30 – 12.30
Fr. John McDonagh, Tel: 6684265 – Fr. Cormac McIlraith, Tel: 6686845
www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.com RCN 20016166

15th Sunday of the Year ***10th July '22***

Pope Francis' Recent Letter

On June 29th, the Feast of Sts Peter and Paul, Pope Francis wrote to all in the Church an Apostolic Letter on the beauty of the Liturgy and the importance of the liturgical formation of the People of God. It is entitled 'Desiderio Desideravi', 'I have earnestly desired'. He opens with the words of Jesus in St Luke's Gospel: *'I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer'* (Luke 22:15)

'These words of Jesus, with which the account of the Last Supper opens, are the crevice through which we are given the surprising possibility of intuiting the depth of the love of the persons of the Most Holy Trinity for us' (par 2 of his letter)

Why not take time in the coming weeks to read this lovely reflection of Pope Francis that seeks to inform and help us appreciate afresh the significance of Liturgy for us. Just Google '**Desiderio Desideravi**' and take it from there!

St Vincent de Paul Collection

As you know, the local conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society normally holds a gate collection on the first Sunday of the month. Last week's collection was postponed to this week because of last Sunday's Peter's Pence collection.

Bethany Bereavement will be offering training in the autumn to suitable applicants. Our parish Bethany team is in need of new membership to help maintain the service in our parish. We'll be happy to receive enquiries and facilitate participation in training this autumn.

A programme for our teenagers?

The diocese is establishing a Laudato Si' Award for teenage groups in parishes who engage in a programme to explore and inform fellow-parishioners around issues of ecology, sustainability, climate change and the spirituality invited to care for the earth.

Laudato Si' was the title of Pope Francis Letter on Caring for the Earth. This September is a starting point for such groups with training around the programme's operation for those who lead. We'd love to hear from teenagers (13 to 17) who might be interested in knowing more about this project and from people interested in assisting the project as animators/leaders or whose knowledge and advice might inform the undertaking. It would unfold as a meeting point for teenagers with a mixture of social, education, research and prayer dimensions.

Give it thought. We'd love to facilitate it.

DCU Theology Courses

Scholarships are available for incoming students wishing to pursue studies in Theology and Religious Studies at the beautiful DCU All Hallows Campus in Drumcondra, where there is a part-time BA course on offer and an MA programme in Theology and World Religions. Visit <https://www.dcu.ie/your-guide-to-student-application-portals/>.

Archdiocesan Job Opportunity

Experienced Property Asset Manager required, to devise and deliver a comprehensive property strategy, who will assist Parishes develop an asset management strategy, develop property management tools to deliver support and service to parishes and other users, develop a residential model to reflect the future needs of the diocese, manage all stakeholder relationships, provide and deliver a property consolidation plan. Visit <https://dublindiocese.ie/vacancies/>. Contact: ide.finnegan@dublindiocese.ie for enquiries.

An Invitation to 16 -35 year olds

Join over 1000 young people between 16 and 35 this August at the **Youth 2000 Summer Festival**. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare, from Thursday 11th August to Sunday 14th August 2022. For more information and to book your place go to www.youth2000.ie

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly → *In old age they will still bear fruit* - July 24th this year

Pope Francis' recently issued a message for the celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The World Day will take place in two weeks time on Sunday 24 July with the theme ***In old age they will still bear fruit*** (Psalm 92:15). The central theme of the message is to promote dialogue among the generations, especially between grandparents and grandchildren and to bring together the wisdom of the elderly and the enthusiasm of the young.

Perhaps grandparents might consider it appropriate to welcome grandchildren to join them at Mass on that day or grandchildren to invite grandparents to join them likewise?

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly was celebrated for the first time in 2021 as one of the fruits of the *Amoris Laetitia* Family Year. Parishes are encouraged to celebrate this special day.