REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of

Ashleen (Tash) Mulligan and David Crowe who died recently,

For the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Aisling Crowe, Stephen Magner, Jack MacNamara, Desmond O'Reilly, Violet O'Reilly, Frank & Jimmy Rigley Bridie, Jim & Michael McDaid, John & Mabel Maxwell and their daughter, Tonie Kenny, Mary White, Noel & Mary Somers, Thomas Cowley Snr., Thomas Cowley Snr., Susan Dent, Emily & Molly Adams, Denis & Edward Adams,

And for Eileen O'Callaghan 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

The amounts collected last weekend are

DATE	GREEN BASKET	SHARE
3 rd March 2019	€1,585	€945

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.

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The members of the Society would like to thank parishioners for their generosity last weekend to the church gate collection, which amounted to \notin 1,780.





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

Sunday 10th March 2019

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Confirmation Day

It's a significant day in the life of every parish when its young people celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

This week we hold our young people in our prayers and rejoice in their looking to the Holy Spirit to guide and help them into the future. We are proud of them in doing so and rejoice with them and with their families and teachers.

It is the same Holy Spirit came upon Jesus. It is the same Holy Spirit came on the disciples on Pentecost Day and gave them new life. The Holy Spirit enables us to live like Jesus. We may know what Jesus teaches us but it is the Holy Spirit that enables us to live by his teaching. We refer to our life with the Holy Spirit as our spiritual life and one's spirituality is the way by which a person receives the Holy Spirit. It may be seen as a creative force for love, for justice, for truth bringing us into the life of God. It can also find expression in perseverance, courage and acceptance of life's challenges. The Holy Spirit enables creative acceptance of life.

May God bless all our young people with the strength of the Holy Spirit as we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with them this Thursday.

Because of the Confirmation celebration at 11.00am on Thursday, Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am rather than 10.00am that day.

Lenten Evening Prayer of the Church

Come join us here at St Mary's Star of the Sea Parish Sandymount for Lenten Evening Prayer of the Church every Tuesday evening at 6:30pm for a half hour of prayer, reflection, song and ritual suited to the whole family! Everyone is Welcome!

<u>Tuesdays 6:30pm</u> : March 12^{th} , 19^{th} , 26th; April 2^{nd} , 9^{th} and 16^{th}

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BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

Ódhrán Ó Dubhda

Ultan Llewellyn William Warlow

who were baptised recently

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

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Baptisms in April

Baptisms will be on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month as a general rule. In April there will not be a celebration on the 3rd Sunday, which is Easter Day. We will have a celebration of Baptism on the following Sunday instead. And we warmly invite parents who may wish to have their child baptized at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.

In April the sacrament will be celebrated on April 7th, at the Easter Vigil on the night of April 20th and on April 28th.

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 date for the preparation meeting for April Baptisms is Monday, 1st April at 8.00pm in the Parish Meeting room.

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Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council wishes to highlight during this Lent the contribution made by volunteers. Please keep in your prayers this week the collectors who tirelessly assist with daily and Sunday Mass collections. We pray their team grows and they feel encouraged and appreciated as their much needed regular participation is part of our Mass and financial lifeline to the Church.

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Thank You

All children and vulnerable young people using the bathroom facilities in our church should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

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Do This in Memory

Our next 'Do This in Memory' Mass with the children preparing for First Communion will be on Sunday 24th March. The planning meeting for this Mass will be on Saturday next, March 16th at 9.00am. Our thanks once again to the parents who are in the planning team.

In preparation for our next 'Do This in Memory' Mass on March 24th, we encourage the children to work on the exercises on pages 34 and 35 of their Thumb Book, if they haven't already done so. It would be appropriate also to look at pages 36 and 37 especially, where there's a nice exercise for these days of Lent.

Parents are invited to share pages 18 and 19 with the children and to work with them on the pages of Grapevine 5, sent home after our last 'Do This in Memory' Mass.

First Penance celebrations will be on the evenings of March 25th, Star of the Sea; March 26th, Scoil Mhuire; and March 28th, St. Matthews, at 7.00pm.

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Walk with Me

A Lenten Journey of Prayer for 2019, is available in the Church Bookshop for $\notin 1.30$.

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Trócaire Lenten Campaign

The Lenten Trócaire boxes are available in the church. The theme for Trócaire's Lenten Campaign this year is "Until Love conquers Fear".

Thank you to all who have already picked up their Lenten Trócaire pack. We encourage all to make this special charity a particular focus of our parish efforts during this Lent.

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SAVE THE DATE! Friday 31st May Star of the Sea Annual Golf Classic 2019



Pray, Pay, Play!

To book a place or sponsor an Ad or Tee Box please fill in a Booking Form, available on the table at the back of the Church, and return it to the Parish office, Star of the Sea Church Tel: 01 6683316

OR by email to <u>stargolfclassic@gmail.com</u> OR CONTACT: Martin Coonan: 087 2304042 Charlotte O'Neill: 086 2162348 Maxine Pilkington: 087 8445992

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