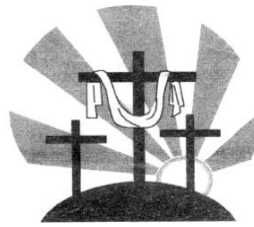


REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested for Eamonn Purcell who has died and for Michael O’Kennedy, Charles Hulgraine, Barbara Kirwin, Mary Coone, Ross and Jenny McMahan and Colm Allen whose anniversaries occur at this time and for Anne Kenny whose months mind also occurs this weekend.

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	WHITE BASKET
7 th March 2024	€1,005	€700

The green basket is the collection for the support of the priests of the Diocese, known as the Common Fund. The white basket is normally 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.

WEEKLY BULLETIN



St. Mary’s, Star of the Sea Sandymount

Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Monday to Friday 9.30 – 12.30
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Sunday 14th April 2024

Today’s Gospel

The Risen Lord broke through the self- doubt of his disciples in three ways.

First, he showed them his wounds. These weren’t just any old wounds. They were the wounds of that greater love which led Jesus to lay down his life for us all.

The Lord then opened the scriptures for his disciples to help them to see that what had happened to him, including his passion and death was already contained in the Jewish scriptures.

Finally, the Risen Lord shared a simple meal with his disciples to convince them that he wanted to be in communion with them though they had failed him.

The Lord still speaks to us in his sufferings, death and resurrection, in the Scriptures and in his precious presence to us in the Eucharist.

Mass Times reminder

Until we have a replacement here for Fr Cormac, please note that daily Mass times will change for the next few weeks. Until further notice we will have one Mass per day: **7.30am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 10am on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.**

Do This In Memory

We welcome children and parents who are preparing for First Communion to the 10.30am Mass this Sunday. This is the last of our special monthly Masses with them before we celebrate First Communion on May 18th with Scoil Mhuire, on May 25th with Star of the sea and with children attending non- Catholic schools on May 26th.

However we will have a further special Mass with all the First Communicants and their parents on the following Sunday, June 2nd, when we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). On that day the children will be invited to lead the procession onto the lawn for Benediction at the end of Mass.

We thank parents who have entered into the 'Do this in Memory' programme by attending the services of Masses with their children, by sharing the material in Thumb and in the Grapevine monthly newsletters with them and by overseeing the exercises in Thumb that children were asked to complete at home. Before Communion Day children are this time asked to complete pages 62 and 63 of Thumb and asked to share pages 26 and 27 of Thumb along with Grapevine 9, distributed following this week's Mass.

Diocesan News

The Episcopal ordination of Fr Donal Roche as Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin will take place in St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, on Trinity Sunday, May 26th, at 3pm.

This week also it was announced that Bishop Paul Dempsey, the Bishop of Achonry since 2020, has been appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin.

St Vincent de Paul

Many thanks to all who contributed to last weekend's St Vincent de Paul collection which raised €985. Your support is appreciated.

Handmade cards

We have a small selection of handmade cards in the parish office on sale for €2. The cards are made by Sr. Mairead Brophy and all proceeds will go towards those who find themselves in difficult situations and to the missions.

Golf Classic 2024 – timesheet is open!

The timesheet for our annual golf classic is now open. Hopefully the rain will stop in May in time for our annual fundraiser! The classic is planned for Friday, May 24th in Elm Park Golf Club. If you would like to play in this year's event or come along to the meal after golf, please contact Martin Coonan on 087 230 4042 or fill out an entry form – available at the back of the church this weekend. .Thanks again to Martin Coonan and his team for their commitment to what is a significant fundraiser for the parish. Last year's Classic raised €14, 522.21; a great achievement.

The Church-24 survey

You are being asked for 15 to 20 minutes of your time to complete a Church survey that will enable you to give your perspective, share what you believe about some significant issues, and relate your experiences of church life since the pandemic. The Church-24 survey has three main objectives:

1. To listen to churchgoers on a range of long-standing issues and questions, particularly as they are being brought to light in the synodal process.
2. To explore some new issues that face us now, or soon will, but which were not talked about so much a decade ago, such as climate change, artificial intelligence, assisted dying or safeguarding procedures.
3. The Covid pandemic is over .. or is it? What's happened to you and your faith community since lockdowns ended? To take part, scan the QR code below or visit www.yorks.ac.uk



Seniorline

Would like someone to talk to? SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm.