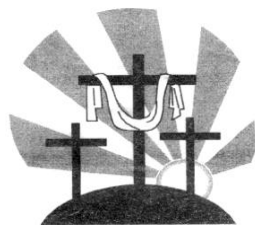


REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur: Angela and Kevin Keellaghan, baby Darcie, Denis and Kathleen Doyle.

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
Aug 25th	€1445	€885

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

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN



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

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The Season of Creation

Today, the *World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation*, offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that He has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live.

The celebration of the Day on the same date as the Orthodox Church is a valuable opportunity to bear witness to our growing communion with our orthodox brothers and sisters. We live in a time where all Christians are faced with identical and important challenges and we must give common replies to these in order to appear more credible and effective. (Pope Francis)
SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The resources for the Season of Creation are now available at
<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/laudato-si/season-of-creation-2024/>

In his letter for the World Day of Prayer for Creation, published today, Pope Francis puts it this way: 'As people who dare to dream, we must dream with our eyes wide open, impelled by a desire for love, fraternity, friendship and justice for all' (*Pope Francis, Hope and Act with Creation*, 2). As he always does, the Holy Father underlines how the Holy Spirit guides us 'in embracing the humility of those who care for others and for all of creation.' (*Hope and Act with Creation*, 5).

Summer Dues

We thank all who have supported our priests through the Summer Dues collection. The Summer Dues has become an important initiative in recent years, helping to return the Common Fund to a healthy position, supporting priests in parishes, and sick and retired priests throughout the Archdiocese. We will shortly forward the Summer Dues Total to the Archdiocese. It's not too late this week to submit an envelope if you wish to do so. Envelopes are at the back of the church and by entering your name and address it can become part of the tax rebate application for this year. When a parishioner donates a traceable €250 per year or more, and is a taxpayer, it can lead to a rebate to the parish of about €112 or more.. In recent years it amounts to about €20,000 per year and is a considerable help to the parish. We thank all who participate in the tax rebate programme.

Legion of Mary Knock Pilgrimage

The Annual Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday 29th September. The bus will depart from Star of the Sea Church at 8am, picking up from Merrion Rd. Church at 8.15am and Baggot Street Convent at 8.30am before continuing to Knock.

Cost (including morning coffee and evening meal) is €55 for adult and €25 for children. Ph089 4908722

Everyone is most welcome.

To book contact Eddy on 089 4908722.

St Vincent de Paul Collecton

The local conference of the St Vincent de Paul is very grateful for the support received in the monthly gate collection in the parish. The gate collection on this first Sunday of the month takes place this weekend after each celebration of the Mass. Thanks again for your kind support.

Childrens' Choir 2024-2025

We welcome back our Childrens' choir from their summer break. There will be a rehearsal this Monday, September 2nd, at 6pm in the church.

Cuppa after 12pm Mass- 1st Sunday of the Month

Please join us for a cuppa after the Sunday 12pm Mass. All are welcome!

Organ Recital-Mark your Calendar

Isn't it wonderful to hear the beautiful sounds of the organ again? We look forward to a recital by Prof Gerard Gillen on Sunday week, 15th September, at 5pm. In this short concert, Gerard will be joined by boy soprano, Cillian DeFrein.

Pathways

Have you ever wanted to know more about your faith? Are you looking for a course that can help you grow in your ministry?

Pathways is an Adult Faith formation programme run by the Archdiocese aimed at all adults, members of PPCs and those in parish ministry. It is a 2 year course running on Thursday evenings from September to May (excluding holidays) from 7pm-9:30pm in DCU, Drumcondra, Dublin 9. The cost is €400 per year (Some parishes may help to cover some of the cost or you can contact us to discuss the possibility of a bursary) For more details, and to complete the online application form, please visit www.missionministry.ie/pathways or email peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie

Pastoral Letter-Archbishop Dermot Farrell

Building Hope with Open Hearts

Copies of the Pastoral Letter are available at the back of the Church and on our Parish Website: www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.com