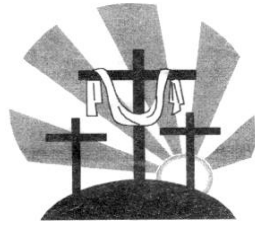


# REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of Gerard Costello, Máire Weldon, Marie Scanlon and Philip Manzer who died this week and for Mary Cowhie recently deceased, and the following whose anniversaries occur: Jane and James Rigley, Josephine Bryan, Nancy Young, Harry and Nancy Manley, Tommy Forry, Patricia Forry, Emer Leonard, Joan Goulding, Agustine and Patricia Glynn and Patrick ‘Paddy’ Mulvaney . We also remember Liosa O’ Sullivan and Cepta McCarthy at the time of their month’s mind.

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
Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>	€860	€620

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

Many thanks to all our parishioners for your ongoing support and generosity.

# WEEKLY BULLETIN



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

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October 23rd 2022

### Mission Sunday

On May 23<sup>rd</sup> this year Pope Francis declared Pauline Jaricot ‘blessed’ in a ceremony that took place in Lyons, the city of her birth in 1799. She died in 1852, the year before our church was opened.

As a young woman in her early 20’s, Pauline began a mission in support of missionaries which in time blossomed to become one of the four Pontifical Mission Societies which form ‘Missio’, the beneficiary of a worldwide collection made at all Masses in the world this weekend.

Even the poorest parish holds a collection for missionary work in the church today. Here in Sandymount there is a great tradition of supporting the work of missionaries and we commend today’s collection to your great generosity.

Missionaries deserve our support in financial assistance and in prayer.

### **Preparation Programme for First Communion**

This Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, we begin the parish programme of preparation towards the celebration of First Communion with boys and girls now in 2<sup>nd</sup> class and their parents, who in recent weeks registered their intentions to prepare. There will be a meeting for all the children and parents in the Church at 7pm (Monday) at which the children are formally enrolled followed by an outline of the planned parish programme. The programme we use is known as the "Do This in Memory Programme", consisting of a monthly Mass and newsletter. As in previous years the resource material for the programme will be available in the parish, at a cost of €20 per participating family. The first Mass with the children and their parents will be on next Sunday at 10.30am. A team of parents will be formed this week to lead the programme.

### **Confirmation Commitment Ceremony**

This Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, all candidates and their parents, who are preparing for Confirmation in the parish in 2023 will have a ceremony of Commitment at 7pm in the Church. We look forward to meeting all who have registered to participate in the preparation programme.

### **Congratulations to 19 First Communicants**

We rejoice with the families who on this Saturday have come with their children to celebrate and receive Holy Communion for the first time. our thanks to Amy McGuirk, who came weekly from the beginning of the year, to assist the children in their preparation. Amy is a member of the teaching staff in Scoil Mhuire, Lakelands. We greatly appreciate her work with the children attending non- catholic schools.

### **November Mass for Bereaved**

Our annual Mass for deceased members of our faith community who have died in the past year will take place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7pm. All are most welcome.

### **November Dead List**

November list of the Dead forms and envelopes are available at the back of the Church this weekend. Please return through the parish office letterbox or via the collection plate on Sunday.

### **Mission Sunday**

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. Like the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land and Peter's Pence, it is one of three yearly universal Church collections.

**The theme for this year's celebration of Mission Sunday is: "You Shall Be My Witnesses". (Acts 1:8).**

All offerings and donations made for World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This fund is a lifeline for struggling missionaries and the communities they serve across Africa, Asia and Latin America, where over 1,100 mission dioceses are found.

### **Star of the Sea Organ Recital-Nov 4th**

After many years of silence the organ in our church is ready to be heard again.

On Fri Nov 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm, Ronan Murray, organist in Glashule Parish, will play a concert on the recently re-furbished organ. All are welcome!

### **October ( by Patrick Kavangh)**

O leafy yellowness you create for me  
A world that was and now is poised above time,  
I do not need to puzzle out Eternity  
As I walk this arboreal street on the edge of a town.  
The breeze, too, even the temperature  
And pattern of movement, is precisely the same  
As broke my heart for youth passing. Now I am sure  
Of Something. Something will be mine wherever I am.  
I want to throw myself on the public street  
without caring  
For anything but the praying that the earth offers.  
It is October over all my life and the light is staring  
As it caught me once in a plantation by the fox coverts.  
A man is ploughing ground for winter wheat  
And my nineteen years weigh heavily on my feet.