

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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



Sunday 25th July 2021

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEKEND

Your prayers are requested this weekend for the repose of the soul of

Máiréad Killeen who died this week,

for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time

Pat Gavigan; Mark Foley; Gabrielle & Fredrick Jones; Stephanie Meagher;
Thomas McCann;

and for Michio Takei 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 week 18th July:

1st collection €880
(Common Fund).

2nd collection €570
(Share Fund).

World Day of Grandparents

In January this year, Pope Francis inaugurated a World Day for grandparents and elderly to be celebrated on the 4th Sunday of July each year. He chose that Sunday because of its proximity to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary and grandparents of Jesus. Their feast we celebrate every year on July 26th, which this year falls tomorrow, Monday.

His message for this day is entitled "I am with you always" and he sets the tone of the message in his opening paragraph:

Dear elderly friends,

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends.

"I am with you always", are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you and doesn't want to leave you alone!

You can read the full text of his message online. For those who don't have internet facility we have left some hard copies at the back of the church.

Volunteers to sanitise the church

In order to maintain everyone's safety, the benches and common touch points are sanitised after every Mass in this church. We depend on generous volunteers to carry out this task.

If there are not enough people available to assist after your Mass, please be ready to step in and help particularly during the summer months when many of our "regulars" are on holidays.

Many thanks and have a happy & safe summer.