

REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for

Phil Dawson who died recently

And also for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

*Charlie & Evelyn Doyle; John & Bertha Moriarty; Treasa McLoughlin;
Brian Durnin; Catherine Frawley and her daughter, Veronica;
John Byrne; Esther Nagle;*

*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	VOCATIONS
22 nd April 2018	€1,285	€1,940

The green basket is the collection for the support of the priests of the Diocese. The white basket last weekend was the special collection for Vocations Sunday.

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

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Sunday 29th April 2018

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Pope Francis on abortion

Over the coming weeks you're likely to hear many politicians and others oppose the Church's position on abortion and the right to life. Don't be surprised but be invited to be resolute and firm in upholding the teaching of the Church. Pope Francis expresses that teaching clearly.

“It is necessary to reaffirm our solid opposition to any direct offense against life, especially when innocent and defenceless, and the unborn child in its mother's womb is the quintessence of innocence”.

Let us remember the words of Vatican Council 11:

“Therefore from the moment of its conception life must be guarded with the greatest care while abortion and infanticide are unspeakable crimes”.

April 11, 2014.

The coming of May

- The Pope’s Prayer intention for May 2018 is
- That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.
- We look forward to our celebrations of First Holy Communion this month of May
– with girls from Scoil Mhuire, Lakelands, on Saturday 19th May at 11.00am.
– with boys from Star of the Sea School on Saturday 26th May at 11.00am and
– with children attending St. Matthew’s School on Sunday 27th May at 10.30am.
- We hope and pray for better weather this May, that grass may grow to relieve the anxieties of farmers in fodder shortage.

Consider the Grass Growing

Consider the Grass Growing
As it grew last year and the year before,
Cool about the ankles like summer rivers,
When we walked on a May evening
through the meadows
to watch the mare that was going to foal.
Patrick Kavanagh, Irish Press 21st May 1943

- May brings memory for many of the school May altar, processions and of course Canon Sydney MacEwan’s famous song:

Bring flowers of the rarest
bring blossoms the fairest,
from garden and woodland and hillside and dale;
our full hearts are swelling,
our glad voices telling
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!

Refrain:
O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.

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Celebrating Baptism

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in May will be held **this Monday, 30th April, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.**

The celebrations of Baptism in May will be on Sunday May 6th and 20th , after the 12 noon Mass, parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of Monday 30th April and to attend the preparatory meeting.

Unfortunately places for May and June 3rd celebrations are now full but we will accept bookings for June 17th and beyond.

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Film Evening

A film evening will be held on Thursday the 3rd May at 7.30 pm in the parish meeting rooms. We will be showing the film 'The Son of Saul'. All are very welcome.

First Friday

Next Friday, 4th May, is the First Friday of the month. We remember the Faithful Departed at the 7.30am and 10.00am Masses. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10.00am Mass until 11.30am unless there is a funeral.

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Easter Dues

Fr. John and Fr. Cormac would like to thank all parishioners who have already sent in their Easter Dues. Easter Dues like the Christmas Dues are donations to the Common Fund which supports all the priests of the diocese.

Easter Dues envelopes may be handed in at the sacristy, the parish office or put in the letter box in the parish office door. They can also be put into the collection baskets on Sundays.

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Church Gate Collection

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The usual monthly church gate collection for the Society will take place after all Masses on Sunday next, 6th May.

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GOLF CLASSIC DETAILS

Date: Friday 1st June 2018

**Venue: Elm Park Golf Club
Nutley Lane, Dublin 4.**

PRICES:

- Team of Four €400
(includes Golf, Dinner or Lunch)
- Single Golfer €100
(includes Golf, Dinner or Lunch)
- Sponsor a Tee Box €100
- Full Page Ad in Brochure €100
- Half Page Ad in Brochure € 50
- Dinner Only € 40

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 as soon as possible to the Parish office, Star of the Sea Church Tel: 01 6683316

OR by email to stargolfclassic@gmail.com

OR CONTACT: Martin Coonan: 087 2304042,
Charlotte O’Neill: 086 2162348

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

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