



REST IN PEACE

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

William Gareth (Gary) Scaife who died this week

For the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Theresa Sands, Paddy & Breda Browne, Christine Cooney, Margaret O’Leary, Catherine & Paddy Mason, Frank, Tom & Mary Hollingsworth, Alec Doyle, Thomas McCann & deceased members of McCann & Costello families,

And for Pauline Carroll and Mary Harte whose Month’s Minds occur.

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	MISSION SUNDAY
22 nd October 2017	€1,395	€3,595

The green basket is the collection for the support of the priests of the Diocese.

The white basket last weekend was the annual collection for Mission Sunday.

We thank you for your contributions to the Church collections and for your continuing support of all the collections.

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WEEKLY **BULLETIN**



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Sunday 29th October 2017

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The Deep End – Saints in the making

Lost something? Talk to St. Anthony!

Ready to give up on a hopeless situation? Pray to St. Jude!

Setting out on a journey? Don’t forget your St. Christopher medal.

Worried about a job interview? Ask St. Cajetan to intercede for you.

And the list goes on! There is a patron saint for almost every situation you could imagine.

There is something about the saints that touches even the most cynical of hearts. Turning to a particular favourite saint in times of need is more than mere superstition. At its most basic level it is a reminder that we are not alone, an acknowledgement that there is a life beyond this one and we are connected to it. At a deeper level it is an opportunity to pause and reflect on these holy women and men who were shining examples of faith and virtue while alive, and who now continue their great work by leading us ever closer to God.

This All Saints Day, the Beatitudes challenge us to look beyond the trials of this life and see the bigger picture. They offer a way of life that leads to eternal life, the saints whose help we seek embodied many of the qualities of the Beatitudes – gentleness, mercy, fighting for justice, working to bring peace, and bearing suffering with dignity. **Contd./**

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As we reflect on those who have gone before us, it leads us to ponder how we are doing: are we saints in the making?
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Celebrating Baptism

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

The celebrations of Baptism in November will be on Sundays November 5th and 19th, after the 12 noon Mass. Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of that Monday and to attend the preparatory meeting.

Because it occasionally arises as a question, we confirm that godmother and godfather should be of each gender and that godparents must be over 16 and practising Catholics, at home in their faith. While normally we have two godparents, it is sufficient to have just one. Another may act as a witness rather than a godparent in that situation.

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**Mass times for Feast of All Saints
Wednesday November 1st**

Masses at 7.30am, 10.00am and 6.00pm

The Sandymount Gospel Choir will sing at the 6.00pm Mass.

Annual Mass for Deceased in our Parish

The Annual Mass in memory of all our dear relatives, neighbours and friends who have died during the past year will take place on **Thursday 2nd November at 7.00pm**. Letters will go out to all families concerned this coming week.

Any parishioner whose loved one died outside the parish and who would like to have their names included in this Mass is invited to contact the parish office before October 30th.

During the Mass a candle will be lit for each one, called by name, as we journey in prayer for them. We invite families and friends and fellow parishioners to come to a significant annual gathering in the life of our parish.

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November List of the Dead

Lists and envelopes are available at the entrances to the church. Completed lists can be put in the collection baskets at Sunday Masses, handed in to the Parish office or put in the letter box in the Parish office door.

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Wintertime begins this weekend!

Clocks go back 1 hour on Saturday night

Parish Pastoral Council AGM

The Parish Pastoral Council is organizing our Parish's AGM for Wednesday, 15th November at 7.30 pm in Star of the Sea School Hall.

We would love to have as many parishioners as possible to come and share their ideas on how we can work together to make our parish an even better place to live – more inclusive and welcoming – in every sense a more Christian community. A report on the Council's work will be given and elections will take place for vacancies on the Council.

We do need 2 new members for the Council and we would like to remind you that all parishioners over the age of 18 years are eligible for election. We would welcome your prayerful consideration of the possibility that yourself or someone you know might be willing to serve the Parish on a three year term with the Parish Pastoral Council.

Nomination forms are available to download on our Parish Website and at the entrances to the church. Nominations have to receive the support of two parishioners and are to be submitted to the parish office before noon on Monday 6th November.

Copies of the 2016 AGM Minutes are also available at the main entrances to the church and in the Parish office.

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First Friday

Friday 3rd November 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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Bank Holiday Monday

Monday 30th October is a Bank Holiday morning Mass will be at 10.am.

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**Enrolment Applications
for Star of the Sea Boys' School**

The closing date for receipt of Enrolment Applications for Junior Infants 2018 is Friday 12th January 2018. Please contact the school's office (01 6686394) should you require an application form.

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Congratulations!

Three cheers for the boys of Star of the Sea School who won the Cumann na mBunscoil final match against St. Helen's, Portmarnock, on Thursday last by 4.12 to 1.9. Great result boys!