# **REST IN PEACE**



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of Teresa Timoney and Aidan Sharkey who died this week, Mary Breslin and Marie Scanlon recently deceased, and the following whose anniversaries occur: Joe Connolly,Mary, Tom and Frank Hollingsworth, Joan Goulding, Paddy Browne, Augustine and Patricia Glynn and Jane and Joseph Linnane. We also remember Kathleen Corcoran 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 23 <sup>TH</sup>	€805	€1,990

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. The collection for Mission Sunday last weekend replaced the SHARE collection raising €1990 for World Missions Ireland which will go directly to support struggling missionaries and the communities they serve across Africa, Asia and Latin America. Many thanks to all our parishioners for your ongoing support and generosity.





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

Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Monday to Friday 9.30 – 12.30Fr. John McDonagh, Tel: 6684265 – Fr. Cormac McIlraith, Tel: 6686845www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.comRCN20016166

October 30<sup>th</sup> 2022

#### **Turning Back the Clock**

Our turning back the clocks an hour this weekend is a ritual that touches time. Time marches on.

When we pray for our beloved deceased parishioners this coming Wednesday our thoughts no doubt recall their past among us in family and friendship. However we pray not only in remembrance of them but in anticipation of their future. "We look forward to the resurrection and the life of the world to come" is what we proclaim in faith. On Wednesday we ask God to fulfil their hopes of eternal joy in heaven. It is not just with an eye to the past we pray in remembrance but with an eye to the future. Requiem: 'Grant them eternal rest and let perpetual light shine upon them'.

On Friday we will hear again the sound of the Church organ. Here too is thought of time. When installed in the 1880's, someone would have travelled to a London showroom to select and organ, subsequently shipped and reassembled in Star of the Sea. We can imagine the excitement it brought to the parishioners of the time. Now, after years of silence, its refurbishment allows us to hear it afresh. It's a story too of the future, not only in enrichment of our lives musically but hopefully too to prompt some young local talent to follow a musical path as organist. Not everywhere is blessed with the gifted legacy of such a musical instrument.

#### St Vincent de Paul collection

The monthly church gate collection for St Vincent de Paul will take place next weekend 6<sup>th</sup> November at all Masses. Your support is appreciated.

#### Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind would like to thank all our parishioners for your generosity in supporting their recent church gate collection which took place of 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> October and which raised €726.45 for the charity.

#### Feast of All Saints (Tues) & All Souls (Weds )

The Feast of All the Saints will be celebrated this Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov and Mass will be celebrated at 7.30am, 10am and 6pm.

The following day, Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Feast of All Souls, Mass will be celebrated at 7.30am, 10am and 7pm (please note the later time for this Mass).

Children nowadays enjoy the festivities of Halloween, often without awareness of its connection with our faith and filled with images of ghosts and goblins, witches and darkness. No harm to remember that 'Hallow' is an old English word for 'Saint' and e'en is short for 'evening' so Halloween is the eve of All Saints. As we celebrate Halloween, why not reflect on and talk about the saints with the children.

#### November Mass for Bereaved, Wednesday 7pm

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

Lord God, whose days are without end and whose mercies beyond counting keep us mindful that life is short and the hour of death unknown. Let your Spirit guide our days on earth in the ways of holiness and justice, that we may serve you in union with the whole Church, sure in faith, strong in hope, perfect in love. and when our earthly journey is ended, lead us rejoicing into your kingdom, where you live forever and ever. Amen.

### **Baptisms in November**

The celebrations of Baptism in November will be on Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> after the 12 noon Mass. Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance. We congratulate Evie Heaslip, Lucy Clifford, Esme and Philip O' Flynn, India Nagle and Hugh O'Donovan who were baptised in October.

### Hands of Hope project

At Mass last Sunday Fr. Burke highlighted the work of Missionaries in Thailand, in their '**Hands of Hope'** project. The project created beautiful cards in aid of victims of HIV Aids. Some people requested cards after Mass and Fr Burke has kindly brought a small supply which are now available for sale in the parish office, priced at €2.

### <u>Bank Holiday Monday</u>

Tomorrow, Monday, is a Bank Holiday. Mass will be celebrated at 10am after which the church will be closed.

### 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.

## St Marys Pro-Cathedral Remembering

The Pro-Cathedral is delighted to announce the return of the **Remembering** concert on **Sunday**, **November 6, at 3pm** in the Pro-Cathedral. The last Remembrance Day concert took place in 2019 and the choir would like to invite everybody to come together to remember all of those who have died since then. The Palestrina Choir, along with St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir, the Dublin Bach Singers, members of Marlborough Baroque, organist Aleksandr Nisse and conducted by Blánaid Murphy, will perform Fauré's Requiem, Handel's Funeral Anthem for Queen Caroline and a selection from Purcell. Tickets are available at the Parish Office or on Eventbrite and cost €20.

## **Reminder - Star of the Sea Organ Recital**

After many years of silence the organ in our church is ready to be heard again. On Fri next, Nov 4<sup>th</sup>at 7.30pm, Ronan Murray, organist in Glasthule Parish, will play a concert on the recently re-furbished organ. All are welcome!