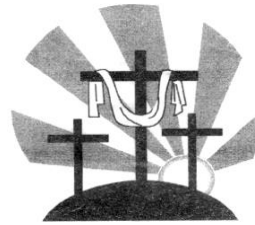


REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of Maud Costello, Anthony Allen and Jean Gilshinan who died this week and for the following whose anniversaries occur:

Phil Mc Auliffe, Conor Coughlan, Nellie Murphy, Lil Murnane, Peggy Kelly and Oliver Gleeson and for Ann Connolly at time of her 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 | Share |
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| June 26th | €990 | € 665 |

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 Parish Pastoral Council meets this Monday evening.

Our thanks to Anne Bacon, our Pastoral Council chairperson, who has completed the parish report and submitted it to the Building Hope Committee of the Diocese. Thanks also to Building Hope Committee and the parishioners who participated in either of the two Building Hope parish gatherings a month ago on which the report is based. .

WEEKLY BULLETIN



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

Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Monday to Friday 9.30 – 12.30
Fr. John McDonagh, Tel: 6684265 – Fr. Cormac McIlraith, Tel: 6686845
www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.com RCN20016166

Peter's Pence Collection July 3rd '22

We encourage your support for the annual Peter's Pence collection today. It is one of the oldest collections in the Church's history and replaces the Share collection at all Masses this weekend.

Peter's Pence is an initiative by the faithful from all over the world that allows the Church to carry out its mandate in works of mercy. It is the sharing of purpose, values and commitment with those in need, to which we are all called as believers each day.

The present state of our world with the horror of war in the Ukraine, the straining of economies in the rising cost of living, the plight of refugees, the ecological disasters and climate change, and the impending threat of famine for millions of people cries out for merciful love.

The love we know in Christ Jesus is '*the love that alone can save our world from its bondage to sin, selfishness, greed and indifference to the needs of the less fortunate. It became incarnate in our world through a family and through the witness of Christian families in every age ..it has the power....to make us a single human family dwelling together in justice, love and peace.*' Pope Francis, Phoenix Park, 2018.

St Vincent de Paul Collection

As you know, the local conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society normally holds a gate collection on the first Sunday of each month. Because of the Peter's Pence collection in the church this weekend the V de P collection will be held next weekend instead..

Cemetery Masses and Blessing of the Graves

Annual cemetery Masses will be held this Sunday, 3rd July in the following cemeteries:

- **Deansgrange Cemetery.**
3pm;
- **St. Patrick's Cemetery, Glencullen** at 3 pm.;
- **Glasnevin Cemetery Chapel** at 12.30 p.m. and will be livestreamed so that people can attend via their devices while standing at their Loved One's grave at any cemetery which is part of Dublin Cemeteries Trust;

DCU Theology Courses

Scholarships are available for incoming students wishing to pursue studies in Theology and Religious Studies at the beautiful DCU All Hallows Campus in Drumcondra, where there is a part-time BA course on offer and an MA programme in Theology and World Religions. Visit <https://www.dcu.ie/your-guide-to-student-application-portals/>.

Archdiocesan Job Opportunity

Experienced Property Asset Manager required, to devise and deliver a comprehensive property strategy, who will assist Parishes develop an asset management strategy, develop property management tools to deliver support and service to parishes and other users, develop a residential model to reflect the future needs of the diocese, manage all stakeholder relationships, provide and deliver a property consolidation plan. Visit <https://dublindiocese.ie/vacancies/> . Contact: ide.finnegan@dublindiocese.ie for enquiries.

Parish Pastoral Council

It has been a busy first half year for the present PPC. We have had two unprecedented programmes involving direct consultation with parishioners, the worldwide SYNOD process, followed immediately by the BUILDING HOPE programme of consultation within parishes about their own local attributes and future. The response and participation was heartening. We have been discussing ways of sharing the load of our priests, including the development of lay teams for Baptism and Funerals. It is also recognised that existing Teams and Ministries are depleted following the COVID interlude and need new blood. It is hoped in September to invite applications to join teams offering various services. Another item under review is the sustainability of the number of Masses we currently hold and piloting a new schedule to see how best to meet needs. After the beautiful ceremonies of Easter we had further joy in celebrating Fr. John's Golden Jubilee, followed more recently by Corpus Christi.

Bethany Bereavement will be offering training in the autumn to suitable applicants.

A programme for our teenagers?

The diocese is establishing a Laudato Si' Award for teenage groups in parishes who engage in a programme to explore and inform fellow-parishioners around issues of ecology, sustainability, climate change and the spirituality invited to care for the earth.

Laudato Si' was the title of Pope Francis Letter on Caring for the Earth. This September is a starting point for such groups with training around the programme's operation for those who lead. We'd love to hear from teenagers (13 to 17) who might be interested in knowing more about this project and from people interested in assisting the project as animators/leaders or whose knowledge and advice might inform the undertaking. It would unfold as a meeting point for teenagers with a mixture of social, education, research and prayer dimensions.

Give it thought. We'd love to facilitate it.