REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of Fr Tommy Mc Carthy, Mary Mc Cormack, Emily Caldwell and Mary Maher, who died in recent days and for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur: Breda Browne, Peter O'Donoghue, Jack and Pauline Crump, Aidan Murphy, Peter Heffernan and Marie Bolger.

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 weekend are:

DATE	Common Fund	Share
July 31st	€940	€540

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

In July a total of \in 1,715 was donated on the parish website, \in 375 to the Common Fund, \in 215 to Share, \in 525 to the Parish and \in 600 in Summer Dues. Donations made on the parish website button qualify as contributing to the donor's personal tally that enables a further tax rebate when annual donations exceed \in 250. Once traceable donations are made through the parish bank account, that applies. The Tap and Go device, which people find helpful, goes directly to a diocesan account and so doesn't enter into the tax rebate calculation for the parish

<u>WEEKLY</u> BULLETIN



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

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19th Sunday of the Year

7th August '22

An Extraordinary Saint

We celebrate her feast day this Tuesday. Edith Stein was born in Breslau in 1891. She was the youngest of seven children in a Jewish family. By the age of 13 she had lost her interest and faith in Judaism.

A brilliant student and philosopher with great interest in what was then a modern branch of philosophy, known as phenomenology, and particularly in the works of Husserl, Edith gained her Ph.D in philosophy at the University of Freiburg in 1916. Catholic fellow student friends so impressed her in the strength and witness of their faith that she was led to explore Catholicism and in her own words found she was 'reading herself into Catholicism', especially through the works of St Teresa of Avila. She was received into the Church in 1922 and became a Carmelite nun in 1934, entering the convent in Cologne. She took as her religious name, Sr Teresa Benedicta of the Holy Cross. She established herself as a profound spiritual writer in those years.

Both Jewish and Catholic, she fled to Holland when the Nazis came to power. She and her sister, Rose, were captured and sent to Auschwitz where on the 9th August 1942, Edith was gassed to death. Pope John Paul 11 canonized her in October 1998 and declared her one of the six patron saints of Europe.

St Vincent De Paul Collection today

The Church gate collection for the St Vincent de Paul Society takes place today. There will be great concern in coming months for people ability to meet the rising cost of energy in a time of general inflation. The Vincent de Paul Society will see great demand for their support.

The Lourdes Fund-Associate membership

In the coming two weekends, we hope to give people a chance to enrol as associate members of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. It is good to see that the pilgrimage is resuming again in early September this year after Covid denied its possibilities in'20 and '21. For many years, the late Imelda Harding and her family were the promoters of the associate membership and we're grateful that other family members and friends who were part of the church maintenance group along with Imelda have undertaken to continue Imelda's work.

August 15th-our Parish Feast Day

Monday week, August 15th, is our parish feastday. It was on Aug 15th 1853 that the church was dedicated by Cardinal Cullen. Masses that day will be at 7.30am and 10am and there will be an evening Mass at 6pm on Monday also.

The Long Goodbye

Some of our parishioners will know at first hand the great challenge of caring for people living with dementia. An interesting weekend will be held from Friday August 19th to Sunday Aug 21st at the Dromantine Retreat and Conference Centre in Newry. It's a workshop offering practical information and support so as to build a bridge of connection and understanding. The workshop facilitator is Fr Hugh Lagan, a priest with the Society of African Missions and a chartered clinical psychologist. The weekend costs 260 euros and you can reserve a place by contacting Jacinta or Louisa at048 3082 1964 or E-mail admin@dromantineconference.com

WORLD YOUTH DAY – LISBON 2023

The diocesan office organising Dublin's participation in WYD-LISBON2023 has sent the following message to parishes.

Parishes and Individuals are now invited to register their interest in either attending WYD Lisbon or organising a parish group to participate. Over the past year many parishes and people have noted in submissions for the Task Force and also preparatory meetings on Synod the importance of reaching out to younger people.

World Youth Day will take place August 1 to 6 in Lisbon 2023. Package options and costs are still being determined and the registration system will open in September. At present it is intended to have the option for teenagers aged 16-18 to participate as well as those aged 18-29.

The Archdiocese of Dublin has a great tradition in participation at World Youth Day. This is a great opportunity to reach out to young people and connect them to young people in many parishes that will participate at WYD. A full pastoral programme for all pilgrims will also commence later in the year, with opportunities for leadership roles as well.

*Get in touch and keep in touch*We would like to hear from you before September so that we can focus and fine tune the various package options that will be proposed.

- Parishes are now invited register their interest – providing information if possible on numbers and maybe local leaders also
- · Individuals can also use this system to register their interest
- · Groups (Schools, Third Level Chaplaincy, Faith groups) can also use this system

Expression of Interest for WYD Lisbon 2023

Contact wyd@dublindiocese.ie.

We'd love to hear from young people in Sandymount interested in participating.