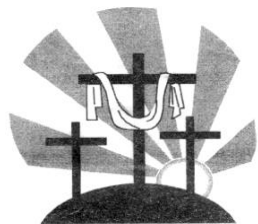


REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the soul of Colm Buckley who died this week.

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

Maureen O'Neill; Ailis Hanna; Vivian Collins; Dan & Eileen Ahern;

And for Eileen Luby whose Month's Mind occurs.

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	GREEN BASKET	SHARE
6 th October 2019	€1,250	€860

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

The white basket is the collection for Share, which meets the needs both of poorer parishes and of central agencies of the Diocese.

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The members of the Society would like to thank parishioners for their generosity to the monthly church gate collection last weekend which amounted to €2,230.

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

Sunday 13th October 2019

St. John Henry Newman

Those who appreciate and cherish the Catholic tradition of Christianity will heartily welcome the canonisation of John Henry Newman this weekend. They will also appreciate that his education was first in an Anglican tradition which enabled his considerable scholarship and searching faith. His life bridges traditions.

It was around the time of the building of Star of the Sea Church (1853) that Newman was engaged in establishing the Catholic University in Dublin, between 1851 and 1858, as its first rector. After spending two months in the summer of 1854 at Mount Salus in Dalkey, he formally opened the Catholic University in Stephen's Green.

History recognises his enormous contribution to the development of Church teaching. Vatican 11 is often referred to as a Council greatly influenced by the thought and work of John Henry Newman. His contribution to our understanding of the development of doctrine, of conscience linked to moral truth, of what we call the 'sensus fidelium' – the faithful's sense of things in faith – and his vision of liberal education are lasting legacies. But distinctively these developments were accompanied by a deep prayerful spirituality and a capacity in his work to return to the 'sources' – to the Scriptures and the early Church Fathers.

Lord, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead thou me on;

The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead thou me on.
Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me.

* * * * *

World Mission Sunday

Next weekend our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. It's a way, chosen by Pope Francis, that gives support to those suffering within our Church family. On the 20th, every single parish worldwide will give what they can. It will be used to support overseas missionaries, many of whom work in some of the world's most impoverished communities. Next week, if you can, please be extra generous during Mass.

* * * * *

World Mission Sunday

The Parish Pastoral Council are hoping to create a visual project highlighting any links the parish, and more specifically, parishioners, may have with the Missions anywhere in the world - keeping in mind that we in the West, specifically Europe, are now considered to be part of missionary territory ourselves in these increasingly secular times.

With this in mind we would be most grateful if anyone who can give any sort of witness or account of a Missionary testimony or experience (however simple) that has affected your life or that of someone you know would write a short account of the experience and forward it to the Parish Secretary, Mary O'Neill or email sandymountparish@eircom.net) to be considered for inclusion in this project. Written accounts should be submitted as soon as possible for inclusion and will be most gratefully received by the PPC. It will help if it's possible but not necessary that you make your account on A4 size paper.

To date only 4 submissions have been received. We know there are a lot more out there!

* * * * *

Thank You

Dear Parents and Guardians we would like to remind you that all children and vulnerable people should be accompanied by a parent or guardian when using the bathroom facilities in our church.

* * * * *

BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

*Hugo Arthur Moynagh
Jack Edward O'Donovan*

who were baptised last Sunday

'May you live always as members of the Body of Christ, sharing everlasting life'.

* * * * *

Baptisms in November

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in November will be held on Tuesday 29th October 2019, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in November will be on Sunday November 3rd and 17th after the 12 noon Mass.

Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of Tuesday 29th and to attend the preparatory meeting.

* * * * *

'Do This in Memory' Mass

Our first Mass in the 'Do This in Memory' programme will be next Sunday at 10.30am. Parents are asked in the coming week to engage with their children both with the material in 'Grapevine 1' and 'Thumbs' pages 10, 11, 40 and 41. Rosary beads and other pious objects will be blessed at this Mass and parishioners other than the children may also wish to have rosaries blessed.

* * * * *

Classes for students preparing for sacraments

Pre-Sacrament classes for children attending St. Matthew's school (and for any who live in the parish and attend non-Catholic school) continues this week.

The preparation period is over two years towards First Communion and also towards Confirmation. The classes are scheduled as follows and are held in the parish meeting rooms in the church.

- 1st class meets Tuesday evening at 5.00pm
- 2nd class meets Thursday evening at 4.00pm
- 6th class meets Thursday evening at 4.00pm
- 5th class meets Thursday evening at 4.45pm

* * * * *

Church Flowers

If anyone is interested in helping with the church flowers you are invited to an informal meeting **next Saturday the 19th of October 2019 at 9.45am in the Parish meeting rooms.**

* * * * *

Parish Council meets this Monday night at 7.30pm.

* * * * *

Thank You!

Conor Hickey, CEO of Crosscare has written to thank the parishioners of Sandymount for their generosity to their Community, Homeless and Youth Services collection which amounted to €4,535 on 31st Aug./1st Sept.

* * * * *

Patrician meeting - A discussion on 'The graces and challenges of Consecrated Life' will take place on Thursday, 17th October at 8 pm in the Parish meeting room. Fr. Philip Crowe will also speak. Refreshments served.