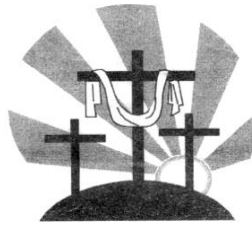


# REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested this weekend

For the souls of Chris Corri and Rita (nee Allen) Hogan, who died recently.



And also for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Margaret O'Doherty, Joseph & Mary Smyth, Tom Roche Garland, Michael Dunne, May & Mikey Hogan and their son, Enda Hogan, Patrick McDonagh, Eve Sheehan, Peter & Rita Price, Doreen Dunne, Marie Shelbourne, Denis Murnane, Maureen Jennings,

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
12 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	€1,650	€890

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.

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## 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.

# 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 McLraith, Tel: 6686845

[www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.com](http://www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.com)

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019

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## Ministry Sunday – New Collection

Archbishop Martin has inaugurated this weekend as Ministry Sunday and with it a new special collection devoted to support the building up of new forms of ministry in the 197 parishes of the Archdiocese. The changing religious culture of our time will require more lay men and women working in various ways alongside priests in the work of spreading the Gospel of Jesus.

Already working in our parishes you'll find some 22 lay pastoral workers, 14 of whom are women. These men and women, paid salaries commensurate with teachers and with corresponding pension rights, come with significant qualifications to the task of parish ministry. You'll find also an increasing number of parish catechists attending to the faith development of young adults and young families and to the catechetical needs of a growing number of children who do not attend Catholic Schools.

In our own parish, for example, this year saw us indebted to three teachers preparing children from St. Matthew's School towards reception of the sacraments. We rejoice with the 11 boys and girls from St. Matthew's, who celebrate First Communion this Sunday and were taught on Thursdays after school by Mary McSweeney. It was Mary also who prepared children not attending a Catholic school for Confirmation in March. Children in St. Matthew's first class, were taught by Alison Smyth and in fifth class by Brother Rory Grieve, O.P. We thank you Mary, Alison and Rory.

While our Archdiocese currently has 23 deacons with diocesan appointments and we are aware of Pope Francis' committee set up to examine the possibility of women deacons, the diaconate is essentially a clerical rather than a lay ministry role in the life of the church. There, too, is a dimension of service that's new to us in the local church.

The Ministry Sunday Collection, in the words of Archbishop Martin, "is about ensuring that we will have the people we need – men and women who will be to the fore in making our parishes vibrant faith communities into the future."

It takes the place of the Share Collection today. I know you will respond generously to the Archbishop's appeal.

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### BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

*Harper Rose Heaslip*  
*Tadhg Tomás Curran*  
*James Patrick Sheehan*  
*Rémy Patrick Hobbs*

who were baptised recently

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

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### 9.30am next Saturday

The girls from Scoil Mhuire will celebrate First Communion on Saturday next at 11.00am. In consequence, the earlier Mass will be at 9.30am instead of 10.00am next Saturday.

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### Baptisms in June

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in June will be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in June will be on Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> after the 12 noon Mass.

Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 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.

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### Church Bookshop

Our Bookshop has books, medals and rosaries for children preparing for First Communion. Parents and grandparents will hopefully find the colourful books helpful when talking to children about this big event.

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Trócaire boxes and envelopes may be left into the Parish office for collection during the coming week.

### Child Safeguarding Parish Training evening,

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2019

We would like to invite all parish volunteers to a Child Safeguarding training evening on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm. Garry Kehoe, the Diocesan Training and Development co-ordinator, will provide the training. It is important that all parish volunteers attend. We also ask that parents of the Children's Choir would also attend as Child Safeguarding is an integral part of ministry in the parish and we greatly value the participation of children in parish life. Thank you.

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### Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

If any of our parishioners who are ill or infirm would like to travel as invalid pilgrims with the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, we would be happy to facilitate their doing so. The Pilgrimage takes place from September 4<sup>th</sup> to September 9<sup>th</sup> 2019. Application forms are available from the Parish office or from the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road. The invalids travelling with the Pilgrimage will be accommodated in the Accueil Notre Dame which is a residence close to the Grotto. To meet the requirements of the Medical Bureau in Lourdes a form, available in the Parish office, must be completed.

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### SAVE THE DATE! Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May Star of the Sea Annual Golf Classic 2019

Elm Park Golf Club



To book a place or sponsor an Ad or Tee Box please fill in a Booking Form and return it to the Parish office.

OR by email to [stargolfclassic@gmail.com](mailto:stargolfclassic@gmail.com)

OR CONTACT: Martin Coonan: 087 2304042

Charlotte O'Neill: 086 2162348

Maxine Pilkington: 087 8445992

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### 'Thy Kingdom Come' – Prayer Initiative

From the 30<sup>th</sup> of May to the 9<sup>th</sup> of June, hundreds of thousands of Christians worldwide will be praying for evangelisation. In doing so they reflect the prayer of the gathered disciples between the Day of Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It's part of an International Prayer Initiative, now in its third year. Whether as a parish, as a family, a small group or as an individual, all are invited and welcome to participate. One part of this prayer time offers you 'Morning Prayer of the Church,' available to download at [www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global)

This prayer time is undertaken with a deep realisation that our world is not right. Prayer is undertaken with a profound hope and trust in the promises of Jesus that His Kingdom will come. It's in that trust and hope we pray.

