



## ***REST IN PEACE***

Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of Philomena Keogan and Mairéad (Raideen) Buckley who died this week.

For the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frank Dalton and his son John; Patrick Connolly; Laurence Mulligan; Eileen Bateman; Brendan O’Sullivan.

And for Marie Bolger 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.

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### **CHURCH COLLECTIONS**

The amounts collected last weekend are:

| <b>DATE</b>                     | <b>GREEN BASKET</b> | <b>Share</b> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 | €735                | €470         |

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.

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

The members of the Society would like to thank parishioners who contributed to their monthly collection last weekend which amounted to €1,385.

# **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](http://www.stmarysstaroftheseasandymount.com)

***Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021***

### **Crosscare Annual Collection 2021**

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin is taken up at all Masses in the Diocese this weekend. It replaces the usual Share collection.

Through their services for Homeless, Youth, Migrants and Refugees, Crosscare focuses on helping people and families when they need it most or when they can’t find support anywhere else.

In their Community Foodbanks and Cafes, they provide food parcels and nutritious meals every day.

Demand for their services continues to increase as the pandemic has impacted the most vulnerable in our parishes and communities.

Throughout last year:

- v 750 people (individuals, couples and families) stayed in Crosscare Homeless Services;
- v 3,000 people who were homeless or at risk of losing their home were helped by their Information and Advocacy teams;
- v Thousands of children and young people were supported through Crosscare Youth Services, Teen Counselling and Drug and Alcohol Programmes;
- v Over 60,000 support phone calls were made to elderly and isolated people; and,
- v 9,500 people from 122 countries sought help from Crosscare’s Refugees and Migrant support service.

Please give generously in the second collection at all Masses this weekend or on line at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie)

## Archbishop's letter in Support of Crosscare

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend, the Annual Collection to support the work of Crosscare takes place and replaces the Share collection at all Masses.

Crosscare's work is shaped by the fact that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. This guides Crosscare to provide the highest standard of care and support to those who use their services, those most in need in our parishes and communities.

This year, more than ever, in the face of uncertainty and insecurity intensified for so many by the pandemic, people and families who are homeless and in need, continue to rely on Crosscare for shelter, food, help and support.

Their work with young people at risk in our communities has continued and flourished amid the challenges of lockdown and the related impact on the mental health and stability of teenagers and young adults.

Every day, people in need of their support are welcomed by Crosscare in a spirit of respect, dignity and love.

They are met as equals with the belief that everyone is created in the image and likeness of God. "For the church, charity is not a kind of welfare activity that could be equally left to others, but is part of her nature, an indispensable expression of her very being" (*Deus Caritas Est*, Pope Benedict XV1)

On behalf of the staff, volunteers and clients in Crosscare, I would like to thank you for your generous support over many years.

All who work at Crosscare take their work and responsibilities very seriously. I urge you to support them once again in this appeal.

Yours sincerely,  
+Dermot Farrell,  
Archbishop of Dublin.

## Confirmations beginning this week

We look forward very much to celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with a group of the girls, former pupils of Scoil Mhuire, on Tuesday evening and with a group of boys, former pupils of Star of the Sea, on Thursday evening. Further celebrations will be in the following week on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>. Please keep all these young people in your prayers.

## Explorers

The Explorers are an informal ecumenical group with the aim of reading scriptures together. All are welcome. This year all presentations will again take place on zoom. Rev. Dr Katie Heffelfinger, a bible scholar, will lead our four autumn sessions on 'Poetry and imagination in the Hebrew Bible'. The first meeting in this series will be tomorrow night September 20<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm in the meeting room of Mount Tabor Nursing Home. Subsequent monthly are set for 18 October, 15 November and 13 or 20 December, 2021.

Those who are interested to participate and are not yet on the Explorers address list, please, send your e-mail address or postal address and telephone number to Anngret Simms at her e-mail address: [Anngret.Simms@ucd.ie](mailto:Anngret.Simms@ucd.ie).

## Safeguarding

Our annual diocesan Safeguarding Sunday will take place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September. The theme for this year's event is "Safeguarding in a pandemic". We are indebted to our Safeguarding representatives for the important service they provide and they will speak to us at Masses next weekend.

## **GOLF CLASSIC DETAILS**

**Date: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 - Venue: Elm Park Golf Club**

Sponsor a Tee Box €100 Full Page Ad in Brochure €100

Half Page Ad in Brochure € 50 Dinner Only € 40

To book a place or sponsor an Ad or Tee Box or make a Donation please fill in the attached Booking Form and return it as soon as possible to: Parish Office, Star of the Sea Church  
or [sandymountparish@eircom.net](mailto:sandymountparish@eircom.net)

**OR CONTACT: Martin Coonan: 087 2304042;  
Charlotte O'Neill: 086 216 2348; Parish Office: 6683316  
Booking Forms are available at the main entrance to the church.**