



REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested this weekend for the repose of the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Brian O’Sullivan, Jim Daly, Ailis Hanna, Dan & Eileen Ahern, Josephine Bryan, May & William Morley, Peter Clarke, Una O’Hagan,

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
15 th October 2017	€1,350	€855

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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WEEKLY BULLETIN



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Sunday 22nd October 2017

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Today is World Mission Sunday

Today is Mission Sunday and the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection. Every person in every parish in every country where the Church is present will be celebrating together and sharing what they have, no matter how little. It is the one Sunday in the year when Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Donations are collected at these worldwide Masses and they go to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

It is also the one Sunday in the year when your generosity goes directly to help mission parishes overseas and reach out with Jesus’ message of hope and love. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father’s official charity for overseas mission. It is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland and, through local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations around the world, ensures that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need.

In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ’s call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked so please give what you can. Thank you.

BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

- Maeva Grace Reid*
- Rose Elizabeth O’Flynn*
- Hannah Catherine Young*
- Wilbur Leonard Saunders*

who were baptised last Sunday

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

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Celebrating Baptism

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in November will be held on Monday, October 30th, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in November will be on Sundays November 5th and 19th, after the 12 noon Mass. Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of that Monday 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. While normally we have two godparents, it is sufficient to have just one. Another may act as a witness rather than a godparent in that situation.

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**Mass times for Feast of All Saints
Wednesday November 1st**

Masses at 7.30am, 10.00am and 6.00pm

The Sandymount Gospel Choir will sing at the 6.00pm Mass.

Annual Mass for Deceased in our Parish

The Annual Mass in memory of all our dear relatives, neighbours and friends who have died during the past year will take place on **Thursday 2nd November at 7.00pm**. Letters will go out to all families concerned this coming week.

Any parishioner whose loved one died outside the parish and who would like to have their names included in this Mass is invited to contact the parish office before October 30th.

During the Mass a candle will be lit for each one, called by name, as we journey in prayer for them. We invite families and friends and fellow parishioners to come to a significant annual gathering in the life of our parish.

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Sacramental Preparation for First Communion

We welcome the First Communion classes and parents to this Sunday’s first of eight special Masses as we prepare for First Communion celebrations next May.

Our next Mass with the children and their parents will be on November 26th.

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Parish Pastoral Council AGM

The Parish Pastoral Council is organizing our Parish’s AGM for Wednesday, 15th November at 7.30 pm in Star of the Sea School Hall.

We would love to have as many parishioners as possible to come and share their ideas on how we can work together to make our parish an even better place to live – more inclusive and welcoming – in every sense a more Christian community. A report on the Council’s work will be given and elections will take place for vacancies on the Council.

We do need 2 new members for the Council and we would like to remind you that all parishioners over the age of 18 years are eligible for election. We would welcome your prayerful consideration of the possibility that yourself or someone you know might be willing to serve the Parish on a three year term with the Parish Pastoral Council.

Nomination forms are available to download on our Parish Website and at the entrances to the church. Nominations have to receive the support of two parishioners and are to be submitted to the parish office before noon on Monday 6th November.

Copies of the 2016 AGM Minutes are also available at the main entrances to the church and in the Parish office.

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Prayer for Mission Sunday

Christ has no body now
on earth but yours, no hands but
yours, no feet but yours.

Yours are the eyes through
which Christ’s compassion is
to look out to the world.

Yours are the feet by which he
is to go about doing good.

And yours are the hands by
which he is to bless us now.

St. Teresa of Avila

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Legion of Mary

The Frank Duff prayer meeting will take place on Tuesday 24th October at 3 pm in the Parish meeting room, Star of the Sea church. All welcome.