

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEKEND

Your prayers are requested this weekend for the repose of the soul of Monica Byrne who died this week, for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Johnnie Johnston, Gabrielle Jones, Mark Trehy, Mollie Kane, Myles & Mary Doran, Sarah Mullen, Michael, Maureen & Jack McGrath, David Kiersey,

and for Donal Doyle whose Month's Mind occurs.

May they share in the joy of heaven.

Bishops' National Appeal for East Africa takes place this weekend and replaces the Share collection

An emergency Collection in aid of Trócaire's work in East Africa is taking place in our Parish this weekend. Nearly 25 million people in Somalia, Kenya, South Sudan and Ethiopia are currently in urgent need of food and water due to drought. Trócaire is reaching over 150,000 people across the region with emergency food, water and sanitation. Needs are enormous – **please support this appeal and help Trócaire reach more people with life-saving aid.**

BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

Ali Joanne Cahill

Isla Grace O'Seaghdha

Lucas George Byrne

Charles Alan George O'Brien

who were baptised last Sunday

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

World Meeting of Families

The WMOF will need the support of thousands of volunteers to assist in organising and running an exciting series of events in August 2018. Please consider volunteering not only for August 2018 but also in the WMOF office and various events in the meantime.

All volunteers need to apply and receive training. Details of the volunteer programme are in the leaflet at the back of the church entitled "COME JOIN US – VOLUNTEER NOW".

If you wish to apply you will need to complete an online application form. www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer.

All volunteers will also be required to provide a photo and complete a Garda Vetting Form as part of their application.

Church Bookshop

We are very grateful to members of the Legion of Mary who have looked after the Bookshop in the Parish for the last number of years. You may have noticed that the shop has been closed at times when in the past it was open. That in itself alerts us to a wonderful service from members of the Legion of Mary which we may have taken for granted and now appreciate all the more. Unfortunately it is difficult for the Legion of Mary to continue the level of service previously given. We are searching for a group of people in the Parish who might take on the responsibility of running the Bookshop, aware that individual members of the Legion of Mary are willing to lend whatever assistance they can to a new organising group. If anyone is interested in discussing this further or taking up the invitation, please contact the Parish Office.

Mass for Grandparents, Wednesday 26th July at 10.00am in Blackrock Parish Church.

Catholic Publications

In recent weeks we've tried to provide you with samples of Catholic publications in the hopes of widening the range of reading material available. At present the only newspaper stocked in the Bookshop is "The Irish Catholic" priced €1.80 published each Thursday. The Bookshop also stocks "The Sacred Heart Messenger", "Reality" and St. Martin published monthly. Depending on people's interest we would like to explore the possibility of making these further publications available to you – "The Tablet" €3.50, "The Universe" €1.75 and "The Catholic Herald" €1.75

Lourdes Invalid Fund

Imelda is back with us and starting on 5th / 6th August and continuing throughout August, she will be at her little table at the back of the church enrolling Associate members of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. This fund takes care of the needs of the Invalid Section of the Pilgrimage.

Mass Abroad

We appreciate that many of our parishioners may find themselves during holiday time in a place where Mass in English is not available. We would be very happy to supply you with copies of the Mass Missalette for any Sunday that you are away. Call in to the parish office.

Church collections last week 16th July – 1st Collection €1,200 and Share €865