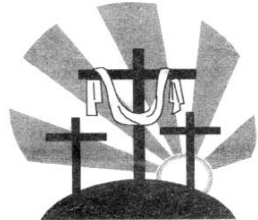


# REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of

Helena Farrington, Mai (Mary) Kelly and Jennifer O'Brien who died recently.

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

*Nora Ennis, Christina & Patrick Nevins, Christopher & Carmel Hayden, Ailbhe Mac Shamhrain, Mary Lennon,*

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
16 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	€1,500	€880

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

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*Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019*

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### The Feast of Corpus Christi -The Body of Christ

Many will remember the decoration of the streets of a parish with flags and bunting in the celebration of Corpus Christi and the memorable procession through its streets. It was a long established celebration in Catholic life and faith across Europe and up to recent decades in Ireland. Today, young people would scarcely know what a Corpus Christi procession means or looks like.

The Feast of 'The Body and Blood of Christ' as it is now called is a treasuring and appreciation of what was celebrated on Holy Thursday - Christ's gift of the Eucharist. We return to it reflectively, almost as if to acknowledge that in the fast moving drama of Thursday to Sunday of Holy Week, a story of cruel death and glorious resurrection, we hardly had time to take in the significance of the gift of Thursday. 'This is my Body'; 'This is my Blood'; 'Do this in memory of me'.

The Corpus Christi procession of people walking in prayer behind the Eucharist through a city or town or parish expressed the view that we must carry the Lord with us into the social fabric of city, town or parish and not see our relationship with the Risen Lord confined within the walls of a church building. The 'Station Mass' as part of that same culture expressed the view of bringing the Lord into our homes, much as Jesus of Nazareth visited the home of friends like Mary, Martha and Lazarus.

Our Corpus Christi procession this Sunday after Mass at 12 noon will be modest by comparison with those of the past and those depicted in the Art

Galleries of Europe in the city processions captured by artists in Seville or Rome, Barcelona or Munich. The children recently brought to their First Holy Communion will lead us onto the lawn for Benediction, a benediction on all the homes and people of our parish and our walking reflects a desire to bring the mind and love of Jesus, our Lord into the boardrooms and social exchange of our country.

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**BAPTISMS**

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

*Molly Maisie O'Hare*  
*Peyton Agnes Duncan Hilliard*

who were baptised last Sunday

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

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**Baptisms in July**

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in July will be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in July will be on Sunday July 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> after the 12 noon Mass.

Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July and to attend the preparatory meeting.

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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 4th 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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***Frank Duff Prayer Meeting***

*The Frank Duff Prayer meeting will take place on Tuesday, 25th June 2019 at 3 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room, Star of the Sea Church. All welcome*

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**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

The usual monthly church gate collection for the Society will take place after all Masses next weekend.

**Mary Price retires this week**

After some 43 years in Lakelands, Ms. Price – the principal at Scoil Mhuire for the last 26 years will retire at the end of this month. This will be her last week at Scoil Mhuire and we wish her happy years ahead as we gratefully acknowledge her dedicated service to generations of families and girls in Sandymount. Mary had a singular gift to know every student by name and to treat each one as special, mindful of particular needs and respectful of a wide range of individual gifts and abilities. We are grateful to the teaching staff and ancillary staff who have worked under Mary's leadership to make Scoil Mhuire a lovely educational environment for the girls and their families over these many years. Thank you, Mary, and God bless you.

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**Thank You**

Bob Harewood and Paddy Kavanagh have both expressed their appreciation and gratitude for their reception of the Benemerenti Medal. They are grateful to the Parish Pastoral Council who nominated them and to the Archbishop who sought this great award for them. Paddy was in hospital on the day appointed but thanks to modern technology was able to view the event on the web and is grateful to all who made the day special. We're happy that Paddy is well again. Our parish is proud of their generous service over many years and to the many wonderful people who volunteer their time, gifts and service so generously to the life of the parish.

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**Sr. Felicia moving to Wau, South Sudan**

We wish Sr. Felicia every blessing as she heads to her new assignment at the end of August. During her term on the Franciscan Sisters Leadership team we were grateful that she took time, alongside her congregational work, to serve on our Pastoral Council and to contribute richly to such liturgical developments as our Evening Prayer of the Church during Advent and Lent. We will miss Sr. Felicia, along with Sr. Bridgette and Sr. Marie, but how wonderful that we'll have a contact now in Wau serving the Lord and his people there with enthusiasm.

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**Sale of Work**

A Sale of Work is being organised by Anne Keating for next Sunday, 30th June from 9.00am to 1.00pm. in Star of the Sea School Hall. There will be jewellery, bric-a-brac, unused gifts, cakes & biscuits, and a Raffle. Donations of cakes and biscuits can be brought to the Hall on the morning of the Sale of Work and if you would like to help – you would be very welcome. All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the church.

