Rest In Peace

Your prayers are requested this weekend for Denis Kealy and Helen Butler nee Forry. who died this week and for the following whose anniversaries occur: Maureen O'Donnell, Muriel Byrne, Jean Gilsenan, Nellie Murphy, Jeremiah and Catherine Lucey, Brian and Annabel Corrigan and Peggy Kelly,.

MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

The amounts collected last weekend are:

Date	Green Basket	White Basket
26 th June 23	€1,185	€775

The green basket is the collection for the support of the priests of the Diocese, known as the Common Fund and the white basket is the collection for Share, which meets the needs both of poorer parishes and of central agencies of the Diocese.

During the month of May 2023 the Tap and Go machines in Sandymount Parish collected €2,036.00 from 197 transactions. This is split 60% to the Common Fund and 40% to Share. The Share collection over the weekend of 6th and 7th May was for the Lay Ministry Collection and €283.40 from the above went there. Many thanks.

Safety in the Church

Recently there have been a couple of thefts of property from parishioners in and around the church. Please be careful and mind your bags, mobile phones and other personal possessions.

Peter's Pence Reminder

The annual Peter's Pence takes place this weekend (2nd and 3rd July) and will replace the SHARE collection. It provides Pope Francis with the funds needed to carry out his charitable works around the world.

Organ Recital

All are welcome to an organ recital to mark the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on 14th July at Whitefriar Street church. Featuring organist David O'Shea and music by Bach, Buxtebude, Liszt and others, in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Entrance is free – retiring collection.

St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul collection will take place after Mass on the 8th and 9th July.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

"His mercy is from age to age" (Luke 1:50) is the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the 3rd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The National Grandparents' Pilgrimage will take place in Knock on Sunday, July 23. All are welcome for this wonderful celebration of family and faith through the generations. The principal celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin and chair of the Bishops' Council for Marriage and the Family. Music by the combined choirs of Knock Shrine who will be joined by Dana for 'Lady of Knock' and her new hymn 'Light the Flame' more at www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.

Irish Catholic Bishops Conference 2023

At the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference last week Bishops noted that the subject of assisted suicide was being addressed by the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Assisted Dying. Bishops said that the proposal to introduce assisted suicide is a cause of great concern to all those who believe in the sanctity of human life. Bishops agreed to consider the subject in greater detail in a forthcoming pastoral message. The chief executive of the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland, Ms Teresa Devlin, updated bishops on a number of current safeguarding matters including the publication this week of the National Board's latest annual report. Ms Devlin spoke of the National Board's plan to engage in research in order to more fully come to terms with abuse within the Church and ensure accountability so as to serve justice and achieve reconciliation. Once this research is complete, and it will include consultation with victims/survivors and Church personnel, the Board will suggest a framework for consideration by Church authorities. Ms Devlin also stated that the National Board has completed its drafting of a new child safeguarding policy for the Church that takes into account changes in civil and canon law.

Summer Dues

The **Summer Dues** collection for the support of priests is ongoing. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Parishioners can also donate Dues online. Your support is very much appreciated. Our thanks to all who have submitted Summer Dues envelopes. Remember to put names and addresses on envelopes to assist traceability and possible qualification for the tax rebate.