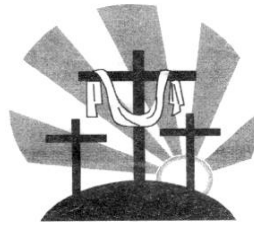


REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested this weekend
For the soul of Róisín O'Connor, who died recently.



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

Nance O'Connor, Liam O'Neill, Mary Crowley, Imelda Keogh,
Mary Lennon and her mother, Mary Jameson, Frances Conway,
James Phelan, Harold & Kathleen Cahill,

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 | SHARE |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------|
| 26 th May 2019 | €1,490 | €965 |

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.

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 2nd June 2019

Comings and Goings

The life of our parish is enriched by the presence of the religious congregations among us; the Sisters of Charity, the Franciscan Missionary Sisters, Sisters of Mercy and Marist Brothers.

Recent weeks have seen the Chapter meetings of the Franciscan Sisters and of the Sisters of Charity, with the emergence of new leadership teams to meet the challenge of coming years and with opportunity now to express appreciation and gratitude to those who, with work done, move on to pastures new.

Sr. Mary Christian has been congregational leader for the Sisters of Charity for the past twelve years. With members of the leadership team she has overseen her congregation around the world and at the same time shared in the local faith community of our parish. In attending Mass with us and in the commitment of sisters to the ministry of the Word and of Eucharist and in participation in the parish choir we rejoice that our parish enjoys the company of sisters whose congregation has such a great record of faithful service.

The bicentenary celebrations of the Sisters of Charity were a highlight during the term of office of Sr. Mary Christian and we are grateful that our parish community was one of the chosen settings for that celebration. We wish Sr. Mary and her team every blessing as a new congregational team will soon come to Caritas House.

Likewise we gratefully salute Sr. Bridgette and her leadership team in the Franciscan Community, where Bridgette has served twelve years on the team and in the latter six years as congregational leader. We will miss the company of Srs. Bridgette, Felicia and Marie while happy that Sr. Cecilia will be with us another while. Like the Sisters of Charity in leadership, they had an administrative and leadership role across continents but still found time to be actively engaged in our parish. We understand too, that Sr. Susan, her studies here completed, will soon return to Africa.

The sisters opened their house to welcome the Explorers (inter-church Scripture study group), Sr. Felicia served a term on our Parish Council, the sisters, too, organized Evening Prayer of the Church in Advent and Lent for us and generously shared their Franciscan spiritual way with us. Their presence among us was an immediate link with the church in Uganda, Kenya and Zambia and with their communities in the U.S. We thank you, sisters, for your lovely contribution to parish life and wish you every blessing into the future.

Some too will have noticed that Bro. Wilfred has left the Marian College community in recent weeks to return to his native Glasgow. We wish him well in retirement there.

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Baptisms in July

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

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

Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of Monday 1st July 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.

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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 9th 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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Parish Golf Classic

We congratulate and thank Martin Coonan, Charlotte O'Neill and all the members of the Golf Classic committee for what was a very successful and enjoyable day last Friday.

We thank all who participated on the day and all who supported us through sponsorship, advertising in the booklet or who joined us for the evening meal. We hope that the day was enjoyed by all. It makes an important and valuable contribution to our Parish, both socially and financially. Thanks again.

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A Trip to Jordan

You might remember that a young parishioner, Brian Barron, organised a Sunday coffee morning to fundraise towards the cost of a visit to Jordan at Eastertime. He kindly sent us the following report.

“Over the Easter break, I along with 19 fellow fifth year students and 4 teachers travelled to Jordan with Habitat for Humanity for 8 days. We went there to help build two houses for local families. We did lots of labouring work helping the local builders complete the work. Whilst it was hard work and tiring it was very rewarding. We met one family of three generations who would be living in the newly built house.

On our penultimate day we were given the opportunity to talk with refugees from Syria in Amman. We learned about the hardship they had endured getting out of Syria and how they are adapting to life in Jordan.

I would like to thank Fr. John for facilitating my fundraising efforts and to you, for your generous contributions. Brian Barron”

Brian begins his Leaving Cert this week. Along with other young parishioners facing into exams, we wish you all well and will pray daily for you.

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First Friday

Friday next, 7th June is the First Friday. We remember the Faithful Departed at the 7.30am and 10.00am Masses. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10.00am Mass until 11.30am unless there is a funeral.

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The usual monthly church gate collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will take place after all Masses this weekend.

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Bank Holiday

Monday is a Bank Holiday – morning Mass will be at 10.00am.

