



REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested this weekend for the repose of the souls of

Dr. Thomas Maher, Elizabeth (Betty) Doyle and Bernard Carey, who died recently.

For the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Jim Maguire, Angela & Kevin Keenahan, Bertha & John Moriarty,
Pat & Teresa Connolly, Kathleen Ferrari, Maisie Harnett,
Thomas & Kevin Skerritt, John & Ethel Siggins, Patrick Joseph White,
Esther O’Hanlon, Thomas & Rosanna Allen,

And for Ina O’Neill whose Month’s Mind occurs.

*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
28 th August 2017	€1,235	€770

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



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

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Sunday 3rd September 2017

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Welcome to Fr. Cormac McIlraith

We are delighted this weekend to welcome Fr. Cormac McIlraith as he celebrates the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday and the 9.00am Mass on Sunday.

Fr. Cormac is a native of Glenageary and was ordained in 1965. Among his classmates ordained on that day was Fr. Martin Murnaghan. Since 1965 Fr. Cormac has ministered in Walkinstown, Finglas West, Terenure, Killester and as Parish Priest in Ballyroan, Clontarf and Booterstown (since 2011). His retirement year has brought him to Sandymount, where we are very happy indeed to welcome him.

The people of Booterstown greatly appreciated Fr. Cormac and are sorry that retirement age brought his departure from them.

Fr. Cormac may your years among us be very happy.

Next week following celebration of the 12 o’clock Mass, the Parish Pastoral Council will host a welcome reception for Fr. Cormac in the Star of the Sea School Hall. All welcome.

Mass Times

Beginning this weekend our Mass times are as follows:
Saturday Vigil 6.00pm,
Sunday: 9.00am, 10.30am and 12 Noon.
Monday to Friday 7.30am and 10.00am.
Saturday: 10.00am and Vigil at 6.00pm.

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The Feast of Mary’s Birth

On Friday next we celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of Mary, “hope and dawn of salvation for the entire world”. The joy of parents in the birth of their child today is the same joy that Joachim and Anne felt when Mary was born. In time they would become the grandparents of Jesus.

Fitting then, that next Sunday will see the Irish National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Our Lady’s Shrine in Knock, grandparents in a journey of faith with Joachim and Anne, treasuring Mary.

A Prayer for Grandparents (Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI in 2008)

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over.

Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardian of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen.

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BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

*Fiadh Bridgeman
Grace Marian Kearney
Hannah Eve McMahon
Arthur James Leamy*

who were baptised recently

‘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 October will be held on Monday, September 25th, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in October will be on Sundays October 1st and 15th, 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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LOURDES INVALID FUND

Imelda would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the Lourdes Invalid Fund this August. The total collected is €3,360. All those who contributed are enrolled as Associate members of the Pilgrimage whose Intentions are prayed for at the Grotto.

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Sandymount Gospel Choir

Sandymount Gospel Choir is having an open night on Tuesday 12th September at 8pm in Christchurch Hall on Sandymount Green. If you have ever thought of joining a choir go along and see how much fun it is. See their Facebook page for more information.

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September Courses: 2 year Programme

Among the courses on offer to the public beginning at this time of year are some devoted to education in faith and in spirituality.

Pathways is a two year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings in Clonliffe College, Sept. – May (7 to 9.30pm). Start date Thursday 28th Sept. Applications accepted while places remain. Contact No. 8379253 ext. 294 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie.

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