

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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



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Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Nancy & Christy King, Breda Browne, Peter Heffernan, Olive Corcoran, Joe Holland, John Brendan Murphy, Jack & Pauline Crump, Cecily Loughnan, Agnes McMahon.

May they rest in the joy of God's Kingdom.

Monday 5th August is a Bank Holiday. Morning Mass will be at 10.00am.

Church Collections for July 28th 2019

1st Collection €1,400.00
Share €775.00

Celebrating Baptism

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in September will be held on Monday, August 26th at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in September will be on Sundays September 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.

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

Today's Gospel

It's a sad reality that many will do anything for money and precious little for God at times. How often do we witness that quarrels over inheritance can provoke bitterness and enmity in the closest of families. Very wisely in today's Gospel, Jesus refuses to take sides in a family dispute and points out what often lies at the root of a quarrel – greed for gain and the love of money.

We still have to learn the wisdom of today's psalm where 'shortness of life' gives us 'wisdom of heart.'

What is it that assures life? It's not abundant reserves of grain storehouses! 'To be rich in the sight of God,' is to give and to share, to seek life where life is to be found. Here's something to keep in mind as the world talks of Brexit and Global Trade.

New subscribers to the Messenger

The Sacred Heart Messenger is currently running a special offer of a free book for new subscribers to the magazine. The book on offer, *Sharing the Wisdom of Time*, was especially commissioned by Pope Francis and contains contributions from the Holy Father, along with his interactions with elders from every corner of the globe. Normally retailing at €24.95, it comes free from Messenger Publications with every new subscription. See Flyer and Application form at the back of the Church.

As we are on the web cam parishioners should know that relatives and friends abroad can connect with us directly for all liturgical events in the parish. It is particularly helpful at times of funerals, marriages and baptisms. Don't be afraid to let relatives abroad know. Our web address is

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They simply locate the cam indicator on the web page. Each receiver will have an option of two possibilities under their control. They may focus on the altar or alternatively on the area of the baptismal font.

Lourdes Invalid Fund

Imelda is back with us starting this weekend, 3rd / 4th 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.