

REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Eric Memery, Gus Ryan, Kathleen & Antoinette Ferrari, Thomas & Rosanna Allen, William Peter Cowley,

and for Evelyn Wright 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.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

The amounts collected last weekend are:

DATE	GREEN BASKET	CROSSCARE
1 st September 2019	€1,475	€4,515

The green basket is the collection for the support of the priests of the Diocese.

The white basket last weekend was the Annual Collection for Crosscare.

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 8th September 2019

Our Irishtown Connection

Some parishioners have expressed surprise that the local authority's 'Welcome to Sandymount' sign is placed where it is, to the front left of the Church on Sandymount Road. They expected it to be further towards Ringsend. Perhaps the answer lies in the fact that when Star of the Sea was constructed in 1853, care was taken that it should lie within the boundary of 'Irishtown'. It was after all replacing 'Irishtown Chapel', which had served the Catholic community for 200 years and dated back to the time of Charles 11. It was located at the site of the old police station close to Chapel Avenue in Irishtown. So it was that 'Star of the Sea' was known as Irishtown Church until it was constituted as Sandymount Parish Church in 1875.

That link with Irishtown is a proud one. Around 1454 the native Irish population was expelled from Dublin city and was only allowed to trade inside the Dublin city limits by daylight. At the end of the day's trading they had to leave and set up camp in what was to become known as Irishtown. Irishtown later became part of the Pembroke Urban District.

Two interesting spots in Irishtown are the Pigeon House and the Waxies' Dargle.

The Pigeon House gets its name from John Pidgeon. Around 1760 he was a caretaker of a storehouse used by the builders of the Great South Wall. He started selling refreshments, tea, cakes and lemonade at his storehouse to passengers of the packet ships arriving from England and Europe.

The Waxies Dargle, on the other hand, was the location of an annual outing of Dublin cobblers (waxies') in the late 19th and early 20th century. While the gentry went to Bray, and its Dargle river, the waxies settled for Irishtown – the Waxie's Dargle.

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BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome into the Parish Community:

Rosie Ceola Kavanagh

Oliver Brian O'Driscoll

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 October

Our next meeting in preparation for Baptisms to be celebrated in October will be held on Monday 30th September 2019, at 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The celebrations of Baptism in October will be on Sunday October 6th and 20th after the 12 noon Mass.

Parents are asked to please register with the Parish Office in advance of Monday 30th 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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Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday (9th) at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting rooms.

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Parish Choirs

First rehearsal for the children's choir is this Monday 9th September at 6.00pm. New members very welcome.

The same welcome will be there for new members in the adult choir. They practice for a half hour before Sunday Mass and for an hour once a month, usually on the first Monday of the month. However this month it will be on the 9th at 7.00pm.

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Sacramental Preparation

Families whose children may not be attending a Catholic school, who live in the parish and wish that a child is prepared for First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation are reminded that they should register their intention two years in advance of sacramental celebration. For children attending non-faith schools, they should contact their parish of residence. During September parents wishing that a child participate in our parish programme of preparation should contact the Parish office. Classes for children attending St. Matthew's school will resume in coming weeks, after registration.

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society will hold their usual monthly church gate collection after all Masses this weekend.

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Scripture / Prayer Group

The Franciscan Sisters Scripture / Prayer Group meetings will resume on Monday, 9th September from 3.30 – 4.30pm. Using the Sunday Scriptures, the group meets to read, reflect and pray. A warm welcome awaits those wishing to join with them in experiencing "the Joy of the Gospel".

Venue: Franciscan Convent, 34 Gilford Road.
Tel: 01 2691923.

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Legion of Mary – Knock Pilgrimage

Sunday 29th September 2019

Bus departs from Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount at 8.15 am

Cost: Including morning coffee & evening meal

Adults = €40, Children = €20 (under 8 free)

Contact: Anne: 087 8374837 or 01 2838178

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Iris Charles Centre, Newbridge Avenue

New members are always welcome and if you would like to make yourself available as a volunteer on an occasional basis, please contact Phyllis 087-6225471 or Claire 087-2368548.

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INVITATION TO SING!

Do you like to sing? Are you free on Wednesday mornings? If so, then the Riverside Singers are for you. We sing everything from Broadway hits to Ed Sheeran! Rehearsals resume on Wednesday 11th Sept. at 10.30am in Ringsend College. All welcome, especially men.

More information from Ray at [0879195012](tel:0879195012).

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Sandymount Matero Friendship Programme

Small change collection boxes can be returned to the Matero collectors at the church next weekend, 14th / 15th September.