

REST IN PEACE



Your prayers are requested this weekend for Sean and Teresa Allen, Kevin Devine and Vicki Moltke, who died recently and for the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Lisa Gibbons, Maureen O'Donnell, Kathleen Brady, Muriel Byrne, Patricia O'Doherty, Kay O'Mahoney, 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
19 th June	€1,040	€760

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.

The Building Hope Leadership team meet this Monday evening.

If anyone is interested in a parish group on Dublin's Lourdes pilgrimage, please let us know so as to advance the idea. Details in front porch.

WEEKLY BULLETIN



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

Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Monday to Friday 9.30 – 12.30
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13th Sunday of the Year *26th June '22*

Leaving School

We celebrated this Thursday and Friday evening with the boys and girls and their parents who are now leaving their two parish primary schools to start their secondary level education in September, the boys celebrating on Thursday and the girls on Friday. It's an occasion, as a parish, to rejoice in our two schools and take justified pride in their achievement. For a very significant 8 years of life the children have been together day by day, in an atmosphere of respect and support, in the embrace of the community of faith. Their wonderful teachers and the strong partnership of parents, teachers, school boards and parish is evident for all to see. Over decades and with successive school principals a rich educational culture has emerged that confidently meets the desires and expectations of local parents for their children's education. We are grateful to all who have made our schools so very special.

We admire, with pride, the boys and girls who have completed the journey of Primary School education in Star of the Sea and Scoil Mhuire and wish each and all of them every blessing on the road ahead.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
– ‘In old age they will still bear fruit’- July
24th this year

Pope Francis’ recently issued a message for the celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The World Day will take place on Sunday 24 July with the theme *In old age they will still bear fruit (Psalm 92:15)*. The central theme of the message is to promote dialogue among the generations, especially between grandparents and grandchildren and to bring together the wisdom of the elderly and the enthusiasm of the young.

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly was celebrated for the first time in 2021 as one of the fruits of the *Amoris Laetitia* Family Year. Parishes are encouraged to celebrate this special day.

Trócaire – one person to die from hunger every 48 seconds in the Horn of Africa

Trócaire has advised the Irish bishops’ conference of the devastating impact that climate change is having on the countries in which it works, with the Horn of Africa facing its fourth consecutive year of drought. In Somalia, Kenya and Ethiopia one person is likely to die from hunger every 48 seconds, while approximately 5.7 million children are acutely malnourished. The United Nations warns that 350,000 children could die by the autumn unless action is taken.

The threat of famine is due to the continual failure to address the lethal combination of climate change, conflict and the economic consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic, which have left the region in extreme crisis. This has been exacerbated by the disruption of the global economy and food systems as a result of war in Ukraine, with fuel and food prices spiralling. Bishops call on Government, and the international community, to act immediately to end this hunger crisis, which may be achievable if a concerted effort is made now.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday of the month. Masses will be offered for all whose names are on the November list of the dead. It is a day also when we bring Holy Communion to those who are housebound through age or illness in the parish. Because of Covid the numbers on our visitation list dropped understandably. If people wish to be renewed on that list or wish to be placed on it for the future, please let us know.

Trócaire’s acknowledgment of donation

We thank all who participated in the Trócaire Lenten campaign which realised €2,063 and was recently acknowledged with appreciation by Trócaire.

Summer Dues Collection

We are very grateful to the volunteers who helped deliver Summer Dues envelopes this week.. We’ll be very grateful for further help to do so. If you haven’t received an envelope it likely indicates that volunteer help hasn’t come to do so for your road. Envelopes are ready for collection at the parish office. To avoid duplication in delivery we’ll appreciate the keeping of a reliable record of houses to which envelopes are delivered, kept and updated beside the store of envelopes in the parish meeting room in the office area. Our thanks to all who have returned donations.

Pathways

Pathways is a course run by the Archdiocese that begins on Thursday September 29th at DCU, St Patrick’s Campus in Drumcondra. It’s a two year course, costing €400 per year. One evening a week, with no exams or written work involved, just an openness to listen to others and to participate. The focus is on exploring faith and ministry. There are limited places on the course and early registration is advised. We’d welcome young adult participation with an open mind to offering financial support where appropriate. Let us know if you’re interested.