



Mass Intentions

Sunday

6.00 pm: Peggy Monaghan (Anniv)

10.00 am: Robert McKenna (Anniv)

12.00 pm: Tim Reddin (Anniv)

We also remember

Oliver and Attracta McKeon, Paul Clohissey, John Kavanagh, John McDonnell, Noman Nolan, Michael Hallissey, Ned O'Flaherty, Michael Lucan, Govita Dargevienie

From *The Joy of Love*, the Pope's apostolic exhortation on love in the family

"Every child has the right to receive love from a mother and a father; both are necessary for a child's integral and harmonious development... Respecting a child's dignity means affirming his or her need and natural right to have a mother and a father" (Par. 172).

'Alone'

A representative from *Alone* will speak briefly at the end of all the Masses next weekend, 28th/29th April. *Alone's* Befriending Service provides companionship for those living alone.

Programme for young people

We are running a programme for young people based on a new resource called NUA, a series of eight short films which equip young people to take an honest look at the questions they have about Jesus, the Bible and what it means to be a Christian in the world today. The next meeting takes place at 7.30 pm in St. John the Baptist Parish Centre, Clontarf Road, next Sunday, 29th April. Please encourage young people (from 15 to 25 approx.) to come along. Pizza and other goodies will be provided.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated in the three parish churches at 11.00 am next Saturday, 28th April. Confirmation will be celebrated at 11.00 am on Thursday, 17th May in Saint Anthony's and Saint Gabriel's. Please remember the First Holy Communion and Confirmation children in your prayers. Please note that the usual 10.00 am Mass next Saturday is at 9.30 am.

The Three Parish Justice and Peace Group

The next meeting of this group is in the Parish Office of Saint John the Baptist Church, this Monday, April 23, at 7.30 pm. New members would be welcome. We aim to raise awareness and organize events relating to issues of justice and peace in our society.

Volunteers Evening

We hope to have an evening to say thanks to all our volunteers on Wednesday, 23rd May, at 7.30 pm in the Hall of Holy Faith School. A light warm meal will be served. Please keep the date free in your diaries. We hope to be in contact with you about it soon.

Holy Hour

Our monthly Holy Hour will take place in our parish church this Sunday, 22nd April at 7.30 pm. We will be reflecting on one of the great Easter stories in the gospels, the meeting of the risen Lord with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus.

Art Exhibition

Art Exhibition is taking place this coming weekend at Clontarf Gaa Club, Seafield Road. The Exhibition is on **Saturday and Sunday April 21st and 22nd**, from 11am to 6 pm. All welcome.

Good for sale in aid of Palestinian Christians

Products from the Holy Land will be sold over the next few weekends after Masses to support the Palestinian Christians who make them. There will be items made of olive wood and items for Holy Communion & Confirmation children.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the PPC takes place this Tuesday, 24th April, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. If any parishioner would like an item on the Agenda, please mention it to Fr. Martin, Fr. John to Brian O' Kelly, the chairperson of the PPC or any other member of the PPC.

Ecumenical Bible Study Group

The next meeting of our ecumenical bible study group is on Wednesday, 2nd May, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre of the Church of Ireland, Seafield Road. We are looking at a section of the Jewish Scriptures known as the Wisdom Literature. In this session we begin to look at one of the great literary classics of the Bible, the Book of Job. All are welcome.

Parish Book Club

The next meeting of the Parish Book Club is on this Thursday, 26th April, at 7.30 pm in the presbytery, 186 Clontarf Road. We are reading, 'The Pilgrim's Story: The Life and Spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola', by Fr Brendan Comerford SJ, who gives retreats regularly at the Jesuit Centre for Spirituality at Manresa, and who often celebrates our Saturday evening Vigil Mass. This meeting was postponed on 1st March due to the snow. All welcome.

Craft and Coffee Morning

The Wednesday Craft and Coffee morning has resumed in the Parish centre after the 10am mass. It is also a time for all to gather for a coffee/tea and to meet other members of the community for a chat. Don't be shy come on in & give it a try, you will be very welcome.

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MASSES

St John the Baptist

Mon - Sat : 10.00 am

Sundays: 6.00 pm (V), 10.00 am., 12.00 pm

St Gabriel's: Sat (Vigil) 6.00pm

Sunday 10.30 am and 6.00 pm

St Anthony's: Sat 5.30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 10.00 am, 11.30 am

CONFESSIONS

After the 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Masses on Sat and after the 10 a.m. Mass on the Thurs before the First Friday

BAPTISMS

On the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11.00 am and the 3rd Saturday of each month at 12 noon

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Monday to Friday