



Mass Intentions

Sunday

6.00 pm: Philomena Cummins (Anniv)

10.00 am: Phil Mulcahy (Anniv)

12.00 pm: Rory McDyer (Anniv)

We also remember

John Carty, Mary Finegan, Phyllis Quinn, Ann Burke-Goldberg, Josie Carty, Bill Carty, Tony Keegan, Elizabeth Hennessy, Dick Mulligan, Mary Bar, Tim Crowley, Eamon Ó Fiachain,

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

'Love involves an intuition that can enable us to hear without sounds and to see the unseen' (Par. 255)

Prayer for Good Humor by St. Thomas More
The following prayer is a favourite of Pope Francis; he says he prays it when he finds himself dealing with all kinds of seemingly intractable problems.

Grant me, O Lord, good digestion, and also something to digest.

Grant me a healthy body, and the necessary good humor to maintain it.

Grant me a simple soul that knows to treasure all that is good

and that doesn't frighten easily at the sight of evil,

but rather finds the means to put things back in their place.

Give me a soul that knows not boredom, grumblings, sighs and laments, nor excess of stress, because of that obstructing thing called "I."

Grant me, O Lord, a sense of good humor.

Allow me the grace to be able to take a joke to discover in life a bit of joy,

and to be able to share it with others.

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Fr Martin Noone, the director of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, has written to thank parishioners for their generous contribution of €1,315 towards the Lourdes Associate Membership Fund. This year 175 sick pilgrims from all over the Diocese were brought to Lourdes. Without the generosity of parishioners, many of those sick people would not have had the opportunity to travel. A special thanks is due to Bridie McHugh for making our parish contribution possible.

Diocesan Safeguarding Day

This Sunday is Diocesan Safeguarding Day. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our two Parish Safeguarding Representatives, Monica Walsh and Katherine Plaisted, for all their work on behalf of the parish to ensure that children and vulnerable adults in the parish are protected from harm. They have been trained for this role and they have access to advice and support from the Diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Service. *Fr. Martin*

Parish Book Club

The next meeting of this group is this Thursday, 27th September, at 7.30 pm in the presbytery, 186 Clontarf Road. We are reading 'What does it all mean? A guide to being more faithful, hopeful and loving'. The author is Fr Richard Leonard S.J., a Jesuit of the Australian Province who is director of the Australian Catholic Office for Film and Broadcasting.

Do this in Memory Team

I would like to thank the parents of the First Holy Communion children who volunteered to serve on this Year's *Do this in Memory* team. This group of parents help to prepare the special Sunday Masses for their children's first Holy Communion. There are seven of these Masses in the course of the year. This year's team is a little smaller than usual and we would love if some more parents of children for First Holy Communion joined the team.

The Child Safeguarding Statement of the Archdiocese of Dublin

The Archdiocese of Dublin, as a constituent member of the Catholic Church in Ireland, recognises and upholds the dignity and rights of all children, is committed to ensuring their safety and well-being and will work in partnership with parents/ guardians to do this. The Archdiocese recognises each child as a gift from God, and values and encourages the participation of children in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development. All diocesan personnel (including clergy, religious, staff and volunteers) have a responsibility to safeguard children through promoting their welfare, health and development in a safe and caring environment that supports their best interests and prevents abuse.

Faithfest

Faithfest is an event for teenagers which aims to help build spaces where teenagers have an experience of a peer community, explore faith, and encounter an experience of welcome, belonging, discipleship and prayer in a creative and fun atmosphere. It takes place on Friday 5th October 2018, 6pm - 9pm in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road. We would love to see some young people from the parish attend *Faithfest*. Each young person is asked to bring €2, walking shoes, a warm jacket and a signed consent form which can be downloaded from www.evangelisation.ie

Meeting of Parents of Confirmation children

This meeting will take place in the hall of Belgrove School on Monday, September 24, at 8.00 pm

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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) 5.00pm

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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