

6.00 pm Paddy Hyland (A) Sat

Sun 10.00 am Maureen Donohoe (A)

12.00 pm Renee & Tom Mulhall (A)

Mon 10.00 am Betty Nolan (A)

Tues 10.00 am Dorothea & Patrick Farrell (A)

Wed 10.00 am Denis Gleeson, Colm and

Noreen McKinney (A) 10.00 am Owen Halion (A)

10.00 am Gerald McGeehan (RD)

Parish Survey

Following on from the Pope's visit, the Archbishop has asked that Parish Pastoral Councils be consulted as to how best we can renew the faith in our hearts and in the life of the Church. In response to this request, the PPC is organizing a survey of parishioners in a variety of formats. We would be very grateful if you could take a questionnaire sheet from the front porch and return it to us next Sunday.

Parish trip to Rome and Assisi - Change of Date

We are exploring the possibility of organizing a parish trip to Rome and Assisi from 11th to 18th June, 2019. Some details of the proposed trip are available on the Parish Notice Board. We would like to gauge the level of interest in such a trip. If you are interested, please put your name and contact details on a page which is available in the Parish Office.

Film Club: Our next film is in aid of Brother Kevin's work in Capuchin Day Centre in Church Street. It is called **Rabbit-Proof Fence** and it will be shown in the Parish Centre on Thursday, 13th December, at 7.30 pm. Three mixed-race girls are torn from their Aboriginal mother and sent a thousand miles away to a training camp as part of government policy. Linking the camp and their distant home territory is a vast rabbit-proof fence.

Ecumenical Bible Study Group

This group meets again this Wednesday, 28th November, from 7.30 to 9.00 pm in the **Parish** Centre, Saint John the Baptist Church of **Ireland, Seafield Road**. We are exploring Paul's first letter to the church in Corinth, which gives us a wonderful insight into the life of an early Christian community within 25 years of the death and resurrection of Jesus. All are welcome.

Parish Collection

The outdoor collection after all the Masses this Sunday is towards parish funds. This is the second of two outdoor collections for this year. I would like to thank the members of the Finance Committee who are organizing this collection and all our parishioners who contribute to it.

Parish Book Club

The next meeting of the Parish Book Club is this Thursday, 29th November, in the Parish Centre at 7.30 pm. The title of the book this month is 'A Cry is Heard: My path to peace', by Jean Vanier, the founder of L'Arche, a group of over 149 worldwide communities where people with and without intellectual disabilities share life together in community.

The Church in China

Fr Joseph Loftus CM, recently returned from working in China after 20 years, will present an impression of the Chinese Church and situate the recent development in Sino Vatican relations within the wider context of the Church in Chinese Society. This talk will take place on Thursday, 6th December, in our Parish Centre, at 7.30 pm.

The Stained Glass of the Great Cathedrals

Dr. Eileen Kane, a parishioner and retired lecturer in the History of Art in UCD, will be giving an illustrated talk on the stained glass of the great cathedrals on Sunday, 9th December, at 7.30 pm in our Parish Centre. Those who attended Eileen's previous illustrated talks in our Parish Centre have always found them informative and inspirational.

Teen Hope is a parish based faith outreach to teenagers. It is a space where through fun and engaging activities young teens can build friendships, and encounter an experience of welcome, belonging and discipleship. We are looking for young people from for 1st and 2nd year classes in Secondary School for Teen Hope Clontarf, which will launch this Sunday, November 25th in Saint John the Baptist Parish Centre at 7.00 pm.

The Wednesday Craft and Coffee **Morning** will be selling Christmas Crafts and other items in the Parish Centre from 10.30am to 12.30pm on each Wednesday morning from now until Christmas.

Christmas Toy collection

The Parish Justice and Peace group, in conjunction with Jesuit Refugee Service Ireland, are organizing a Christmas Toy collection for refugee children who currently reside in the Montague centre. Portlaoise. There are 34 children, all under the age of 12. We ask that gifts are new, unwrapped and cost 20 Euro or less. The Jesuit Refugee Centre cannot accept large soft toys (teddies), soldiers or gun toys. Members of the Parish Justice and Peace group will be in the front porch with tags giving relevant information on what is needed.

Christmas Gifts for Palestinian Christians

Mary Murphy, will be selling Christmas decorations and cribs made in Palestine from olive wood in the Parish Centre after all the Masses for the next few weekends. All proceeds go towards the support of Palestinian Christian families.

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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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 $9.00 \ am-1.00 \ pm$ Monday to Friday