



## Mass Intentions

Sat 6.00 pm Ben Church (An)  
 Sun 10.00 am Paul Quinn (An)  
 12.00 pm Jack Keegan (An)  
 Mon 10.00 am Special Intention  
 Tues 10.00 am Sr Margaret Healy (Rec Dec)  
 Wed 10.00 am Luke Doolin (An)  
 Thu 10.00 am Christy Belton (An)  
 Fri 10.00 am ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD  
 Sat 10.00 am Deirdre O’Dea (An)

**From, Rejoice and Be Glad, the Pope’s apostolic exhortation on the call to holiness**  
 ‘We are called to be contemplatives even in the midst of action, and to grow in holiness by responsibly and generously carrying out our proper mission’ (Par. 26)

### Parish trip to Rome and Assisi – Change of Date, 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> June

We hope to organize a parish trip to Rome and Assisi from 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2019. Some details of the proposed trip are available on the Parish Notice Board. If you are interested, please put your name and contact details on a page which is available in the Parish Office.

### Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the PPC takes place on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> January, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. If you would like to place an item on the Agenda, please mention it to Fr. Martin, Fr. John or to Brian O’ Kelly, the chairperson, or to any other member of the PPC.

### Ecumenical Bible Study Group

This group will begin to meet again on Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January, from 7.30 to 9.00 pm in our own parish centre. We will be continuing our exploration of Paul’s first letter to the church in Corinth, with a view to listening to what its message may be for us today. All are welcome.

### Belgrove Infant Girls’ School

The closing date for Junior Infants 2019 is 22 February 2019. Application forms are available on the school website or can be collected from the school office. In accordance with the updated Education (Admissions to Schools) Act 2018, the new admission criteria are as follows: **Category 1** · Girls resident in any of the three Catholic parishes of St Anthony, St Gabriel and St John the Baptist, Clontarf OR · Sisters of children currently enrolled in St John the Baptist Infant Girls’ School or in St John the Baptist Senior Girls’ School who were previously enrolled in St John the Baptist Infant Girls’ School. OR · Daughters of the current permanent teaching staff in the School. **Category 2** · Girls resident outside the Catchment Area.

### Adult Baptism

Please remember in your prayers Conor Cadden, a young man who will receive the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation at the 12.00 pm Mass on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Sr. Bernadette, one of the Holy Faith sisters, has been preparing him for these sacraments for some months now.

### Invitation to parents of children baptized in past year

A special invitation has been sent out to parents who had a child baptized in our parish church in 2018 to attend the 10.00 am Mass on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. There will be some refreshments afterwards in the Parish Centre.

### Finance Committee

The next meeting of the Finance Committee meeting takes place on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, at 7.30 pm in the presbytery, 186 Clontarf Road. Again, I would like to thank the members of the Finance Committee under the direction of Eugene Gallagher, the chairperson, for all their work in attending to the management and financial administration of the parish.

### Parish Book Club

The next meeting of the Parish Book Club is Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> January, in the Parish Centre at 7.30 pm. The title of the book this month is ‘The Stars are our only warmth’, by Alice Leahy, who works with some of Ireland’s most marginalized at the Alice Leahy Trust in Dublin.

### Three Parish Justice and Peace Group

The members of this group are organizing an afternoon of food, fun and music for some refugee children and their parents on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> January, from 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm in our own Parish Centre. Please pray for the success of this new venture.

### Do this in Memory Team meeting

The next *Do this in memory* mass for the first communion children is on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> January, at the 10.00 am family Mass in our parish church. There will be a meeting of the team of parents who prepare these Masses this Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> January, at 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre.

### You shall be my witnesses

*You shall be my witnesses* is a parish based programme for boys and girls who are preparing to make their Confirmation next May. It begins on the weekend of January 12/13. It is being co-ordinated by the Sacramental Co-ordinator of the three parishes, Deirdre Ward. There are nearly forty parents of the confirmation children involved in this programme. It runs over four weeks. Please keep the children and their guides in your prayers.

### Parish Holy Hour

The next Parish Holy Hour will take place at 7.30 pm in our parish church, on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> January.

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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

### CONTACTS

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#### Parish Office Opening Hours

9.00 am—1.00 pm  
 Monday to Friday