



Mass Intentions

Sat 6.00 pm Bernadette Mahady (Anniv)
 Sun 10.00 am Ignatius Rossi (Anniv)
 12.00 pm Therese Quinn (Anniv)
 Mon 10.00 am Fr Paul Byrne (Rec Dec)
 Tues 10.00 am Fr Jimmy Shiels (Rec Dec)
 Wed 10.00 am Mary & Michael Yeates (An)
 Thu 10.00 am Deborah Bredican (Rec Dec)
 Fri 10.00 am Kathleen McGrath (An)
 Sat 10.00 am Imelda Doolin (An)

Sale of 187 Clontarf Road

The Diocese has agreed to purchase the former presbytery at 187 Clontarf Road from the parish, at its market value. It will be used as accommodation for priests. The funds generated by this purchase will enable us to commence the urgent work on the windows and walls of our parish church in the coming months. I am hopeful that it will also facilitate a satisfactory settlement of the outstanding debt which the parish owes to Saint Anthony's. We will be communicating in more detail with parishioners about these matters in the near future. Fr Martin

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the PPC takes place on Monday, 21st January, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. If any parishioner 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.

World Youth Day, Panama in Dublin, 2019

5.00 pm, 26th January, to 5.00 pm, 27th January, Emmaus Retreat Centre, Swords; Cost €15. This event is open to 16 to 29 year olds. It will create the best parts of World Youth Day here in Dublin for those who can't go. It will be a celebration of faith. There will be music, drama, workshops, food, fun and fellowship. Booking is done directly with Emmaus at www.emmaus.ie

New Year's Party for refugee children

The members of the 3-parish justice and peace group are organizing an afternoon of food, fun and music for some refugee children and their parents next Sunday, 27th January, from 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm in our own Parish Centre. Please pray for the success of this new venture.

Ecumenical Bible Study Group

This group will begin to meet again on Wednesday, 30th 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.

Parish Film Club: 'Shadowlands'

The next meeting takes place on Thursday, 31st January, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. We will be showing the film 'Shadowlands'. C. S. Lewis (Anthony Hopkins), the renowned author of "The Chronicles of Narnia" series, is a bachelor and Oxford University professor. Although he seems entirely uninterested in love, he agrees to marry Joy Gresham (Debra Winger), an American writer looking to secure British citizenship.

Teen Hope

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. The next meeting takes place next Sunday, 27th Jan, in the Parish Centre at 7.00 pm.

Camino Trip 2019

An information evening takes place in the Parish Centre at 7.30 pm this Wednesday, 23rd Jan, giving details of the proposed Camino trip for the combined Clontarf Parishes taking place from 21st—31st May 2019. Information on the Parish Noticeboard or jcallanan25@gmail.com

Quote from Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Environment, *Laudato Si*

'People may well have a growing ecological sensitivity but it has not succeeded in changing their harmful habits of consumption which, rather than decreasing, appear to be growing all the more. A simple example is the increasing use and power of air-conditioning'

Final arrangements for the Parish trip

We are organizing a parish trip to Rome and Assisi from 11th to 18th June, 2019, spending four nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi. Details are available on the parish notice board in the front porch of the church. Anyone interested in travelling will need to return a booking form and deposit to Map travel before the end of January. Details of the trip and booking forms are available from the Parish Office.

Parish Book Club

The next meeting of the Parish Book Club is this Thursday, 24th 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.

Clontarf Men's Group

This group takes place in the Parish Centre every Tuesday at 11am. The Men's Group is a venue for men to meet, relax, have fun, to create a sense of community and wellbeing, and discuss issues of the day over a tea/coffee. Contact Bernadette 087 6445309

Outdoor Collection towards Parish Funds

The outdoor collection in aid of Parish funds that was held in early December came to €1,800. There are two such collections a year, and the next one will be on the weekend of February 9/10.

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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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Parish Office Opening Hours

9.00 am—1.00 pm

Monday to Friday