

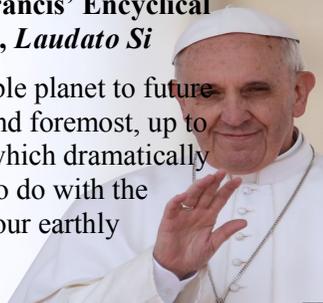


## Mass Intentions

Sat: 6.00 pm Jill Kelly (Anniv)  
 Sun: 10.00 am Peter George Connolly (An)  
 12.00 pm Sean Hartigan (Anniv)  
 Mon: 10.00 am Joe Regan (RIP)  
 Tues: 10.00 am Laurence Nolan Snr, Laurence Nolan Jnr (Ans)

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

'Leaving an inhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost, up to us. The issue is one which dramatically affects us, for it has to do with the ultimate meaning of our earthly sojourn' (Par. 160)



### Feast of the Week: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist, Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> August

John the Baptist was a Jesus figure. Like Jesus, John proclaimed God's purpose for our lives, with clarity and courage. Like Jesus, John was put to death because of his mission. John inspires us to be courageous in our witness to our faith; he encourages us to hold on to the values of the gospel and to proclaim them, even when they are out of season.

### Annual Collection for Crosscare

Crosscare is the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin. Their annual collection for Community, Homeless and Youth Services will take place at all the Masses **next weekend, 31<sup>st</sup> August/1<sup>st</sup> September**. It will replace the usual Share collection.

The annual pilgrimage of the Legion of Mary to Knock takes place on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Cost €35 inclusive of coach, morning tea/coffee and evening meal. To Book phone Maura on 8333866.

### Work on the church

The first phase of the conservation and restoration work on our parish church is about to begin. The focus of this first phase will be Saint Anthony's Chapel and the Reconciliation Room. There will be no access to the church through Saint Anthony's chapel during this first phase and to gain access to the parish office please go around the back of the church as the scaffolding will block the usual access.

### Date for your diary

Dr Colm Lennon will give a talk in the Parish Centre on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, at 7.30 pm, entitled, 'The history of the church in the parish of Clontarf'. It is an appropriate topic against the backdrop of the work we are doing to conserve our parish church. Colm is retired from the Department of History in NUI Maynooth. Among his publications are, 'That Field of Glory: The story of Clontarf, from battleground to garden suburb' and 'Clontarf, Irish Historic Towns Atlas: Dublin Suburbs'. He lives in Clontarf.

### The New Academic Year

The beginning of the Academic Year can be a stressful time for some of our parishioners. If any of you—or your extended family—are under pressure due to the rising costs of going back to school or college, the local conference of St Vincent de Paul may be able to offer some assistance—as always in strict confidence. Call in confidence on 087-2733961

### Legion of Mary Youth Conference

The annual Young Adult Catholic Conference takes place in All Hallows College, Dublin on Saturday August 31 and Sunday September 1. This is a fantastic weekend packed full of interesting events for young Catholics. Prices range from €25-€50, accommodation also available. For further details visit our website <http://www.legionofmary-deusetpatria.com/> or contact Lucy 087 9959803.

### Teen Hope Leader Training

Teen Hope is a parish based faith outreach to young 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. In September, we hope to continue with the group of teenagers who have been attending the sessions these past twelve months and to begin with a new group for the coming year. If this is to happen, we will need new leaders. We appeal to any parishioners who would be willing to contribute to this important ministry in the parish. Teen Hope Leader Training takes place in Clonliffe College, from 9.30 pm to 1.00 pm on September 28, October 12, November 16 and December 7. All leaders will undergo Garda Vetting and Child Safeguarding Training. If you interested, please contact our Sacramental Co-ordinator, Deirdre Ward, at 0868455573



### Reflection on this Sunday's gospel reading

The question put to Jesus is one that many still ask: 'Will many be saved?' In his answer, Jesus is not concerned about numbers but warns his listeners about complacency. Just as his listeners could not regard the mere fact of being Jews as sufficient for salvation, neither can we regard being Christians as enough. Salvation will come from our acceptance of Jesus. For any relationship to be alive—either with God or with another human person—the real question is: 'Is my heart in this relationship?' What does your experience tell you of this?  
 John Byrne OSA *Intercom Magazine*

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### MASSES

#### St John the Baptist

Mon - Sat : 10.00 am, 6.00 pm (V),  
 Sundays: 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