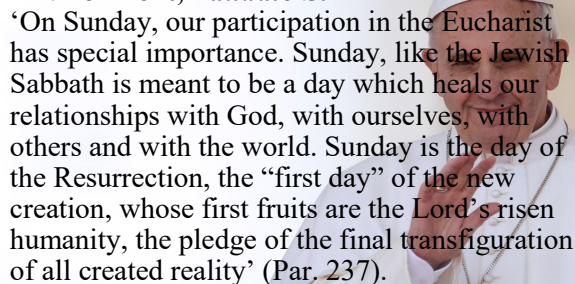




## Mass Intentions

Sun: 10.00 am Vincent & Eithne Kelly (An)  
Mon: 10.00 am Dessie Agnew (Rec Dec)  
Tues: 10.00 am Special Intention  
Wed: 10.00 am Special Intention  
Thur: 10.00 am Aine Therese Elliott (An)  
Fri: 10.00 am ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD  
Sat: 10.00 am Special Intention

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



‘On Sunday, our participation in the Eucharist has special importance. Sunday, like the Jewish Sabbath is meant to be a day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world. Sunday is the day of the Resurrection, the “first day” of the new creation, whose first fruits are the Lord’s risen humanity, the pledge of the final transfiguration of all created reality’ (Par. 237).

### The remaining two talks from Fr Brian Grogan SJ

The well-known author Fr Brian Grogan SJ will his final two talks in the parish church after the Rosary at 10.45 am on Tuesday and Thursday, June 2, 4. His topics are, ‘Remember those who have died’: Where are the Dead?; COVID 19: Where is God? All who heard him last week found him very inspirational.



### Pentecost Banner

Many thanks to the children who put together the lovely banners to the Holy Spirit that grace the two pillars to the left and right of the main altar of the church. They are a real expression of your faith and your imagination. We will leave them there in place for several weeks to come. I hope you are all keeping well and we look forward to seeing you back at the Family Mass again in the Autumn, Fr Martin

### Stewards needed when church opens again for public Mass

We have all been missing gathering together for worship in our parish church. I am looking forward to the day when we can celebrate Mass together again in public. Our church holds five to six hundred people when totally full. However, when we re-open for public Mass we will need to limit our numbers to less than 100 for each Mass to allow for social distancing. We will not need as many Ministers of the Eucharist but we will be needing stewards at each Mass to help with social distancing, to direct people to seats and to help limit our numbers. If you are willing to volunteer to be a steward at one of the three Sunday Masses you might let me know or give your name to the parish office, Fr Martin



### Message from the local conference of Saint Vincent de Paul Society

The Society of St Vincent De Paul in Clontarf would like to remind people who have been affected by unemployment or any other issues associated with the current Covid 19 pandemic that they are available to assist people. If you would like to get in contact with them, please phone Kieran or Padraic at 083-3843741 to discuss in strictest confidence how they can help with utility bills or other domestic expenses.

### Donate Button

Thank you to everyone who has sent in Easter dues. Your generosity is deeply appreciated and has been a great help. There is now a Donate button on our Parish Website for the Easter Offerings and for the First and Second Collections at Sunday Mass. The first collection and the Easter Offerings go into the Common Fund of the Diocese from which the salaries of priests are paid. Again, many thanks to all who are availing of this facility.

**DONATE**



### Condolences

We send our sympathies to the family of Michael Devine whose funeral Mass was on 27<sup>th</sup> May. May the light of the risen Lord shine upon her forever.



### Worship in our parish church

Churches are due to open for public celebration of Mass on 20<sup>th</sup> July. We are exploring how we can maintain social distancing when that happens. Meanwhile, Mass is celebrated every day, Monday to Sunday, in our parish church at 10.00 am, behind closed doors. There will be no 6.00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass or 12.00 pm Sunday morning Mass for now. The rosary is recited every morning after 10.00 am Mass from Monday to Saturday. Evening Prayer of the Church is prayer at 5.30 pm every day, as well as Morning Prayer of the Church every morning before Mass at 9.45 am. *Thanks to the generous service of a small group of women, the church is being kept clean and, so, can be left open from after the 10.00 am Mass until 6.00 pm.*



### Trocaire Boxes: Message from Trocaire

‘As you know, donations made through the annual Trócaire Lenten Campaign, especially the Trócaire box, fund lifesaving programmes around the world. Due to the necessary restrictions related to COVID-19, thousands of Trócaire boxes are sitting in homes across Ireland. This is the worst possible time coming just as the world’s poorest people need us most. Millions of people who live without access to adequate water supplies, sanitation and healthcare are now faced with the threat of COVID-19. We have done – and continue to do – so much to protect each other. Now it is time to protect the worlds’ most vulnerable. The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion’. Boxes can be returned to the parish office.

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### MASSES

*St John the Baptist  
Mon - Sat : 10.00 am  
Sundays: 10.00 am.*

### CONFESSIONS

After the 10 a.m. Mass 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

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Monday to Friday