

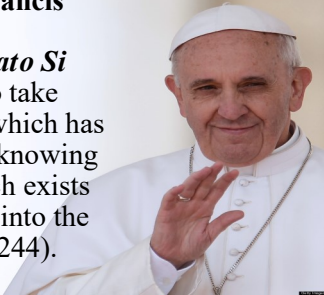


Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Sean Canavan (Anniv)
 Sun: 10.00 am Desmond Fitzpatrick (Anniv)
 12.00 pm John Monaghan (Anniv)
 Mon: 10.00 am Maureen Hughes (Anniv)
 Wed: 10.00 am Eileen Keegan (Anniv)
 Thur: 10.00 am Breda Smith (Anniv)
 Fri: 10.00 am Eugene Donohoe (RIP)
 Sat: 10.00 am Cliona Pryor and Jim McNally

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

'We come together to take charge of this home which has been entrusted to us, knowing that all the good which exists here will be taken up into the heavenly feast' (Par. 244).



Distribution of Holy Communion

We would ask the four people seated in the two seats against the back wall of the church to remain in their places for Holy Communion. The Minister of the Eucharist will bring you Holy Communion first. We would like everyone in the main body of the church to come to priest or Minister of the Eucharist seat by seat and side by side, beginning with Our Lady's side of the church. If you are in the Gallery, please remain in your place and Holy Communion will be brought to you.

Leaving the church after Mass

When Mass is finished, people in the Gallery are asked to leave the church first by the front door, before those in the main body of the church leave by the front door. People are also welcome to leave the church by the side door in Saint Anthony's chapel at their convenience.

Holy Communion to the Housebound

If you know of anyone who would like the Eucharist brought to them, please let Fr Martin know (8338575) or contact the Parish Office (8334606).



Call for more Stewards

Many thanks to all who responded to our call for stewards, a vitally important ministry at this time. We would welcome more stewards. There is a sheet in the front porch after all the Masses on Sunday where you can leave your contact details. The commitment is to one Mass, one Sunday in three or four. Please consider volunteering for this important parish ministry.



Saint Vincent de Paul Collection

If you wish to contribute to Vincent de Paul Society, you are welcome to leave your offering in the letterbox of Fr Martin, 186 Clontarf Road. They are available to assist people who have been affected by unemployment or any other issues associated with the current Covid 19 pandemic. Please phone Kieran or Padraic at 083-3843741 to discuss in confidence how they can help with domestic expenses.



Celebration of Confirmation

To allow for social distance, each of the seven classes of young people will have their own confirmation Mass next weekend. In our parish church, the children of Green Lanes and Howth Road Schools celebrate confirmation on Saturday, 22nd August, and the boys of Mr Colreavy's class on Sunday, 23rd August at 2.00 pm. Please remember them in your prayers.

Lebanon Appeal

Fr William Stuart, who works in Lebanon with refugee children and who has celebrated Mass here and spoken at our Masses, is home from Lebanon at present. If you wanted to make a contribution to his work at this critical time for the Lebanese people, please place it in an envelope and leave it in my letterbox, 186 Clontarf Road. If people want to follow his work and receive updates they can link in with him via WhatsApp +905523135593 Fr Martin

First and Second Sunday Collections 9/10

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese came to €485.00 and the second collection for SHARE came to €245.00. I am very grateful for continued contribution in these uncertain times.

Numbers at Mass:

Following government guidelines, we can only accommodate 50 people in the main body of the church. We can also place 12 in the gallery, or more if there are family units. This is only a third of our usual congregation. Apologies in advance to all who do not gain access to Sunday Mass. Holy Communion will also be distributed at 1.00 pm.

Tax Refunds on Parish Donations

You may be aware that for every donation of €250 or more we receive annually from parishioners to the parish, we get back from Revenue a further third of the donation. If you contribute €250, for example, the parish will actually receive €333. For this to happen, parishioners need to fill in a CHY3 form every five years and return it to us. The last CHY3 forms were sent out five years ago, and a new form is now going out to parishioners who contribute €250 or more to the parish on an annual basis. We would be very grateful if you could return the forms to us as soon as is convenient. It is a vital source of income towards the day to day running expenses of the parish.

Sunday Missals for sale

Sunday Missals are for sale at the back of the church and in the Parish Office. They cost €14 but we are selling them to parishioners for €10. The Missals contain the Sunday readings for every Sunday of the three year cycle, as well as all the responses we make every Sunday.



Celebration of First Holy Communion for children

from Belgrove Schools will be celebrated the last weekend of September (26th/27th). The children from Howth Road and Green Lanes Schools will celebrate their First Holy Communion on Saturday, 19th Sept, at 2.00 pm in Saint John the Baptist Church.

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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. 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 month at 12 noon

CONTACTS

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Parish Office Opening Hours

9.00 am—1.00 pm
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