

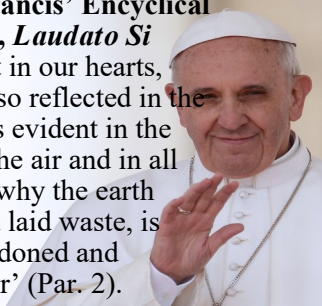


## Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Phyllis Bergin (Anniv)  
 Sun: 10.00 am Maeve O'Hanlon (Anniv)  
 12.00 pm James Hill (Anniv)  
 Mon: 10.00 am Joseph Lawlor (Anniv)  
 Tues: 10.00 am Colm Murphy (Anniv)  
 Wed: 10.00 am Patricia & Eithne Blake (RIP)  
 Thur: 10.00 am Paddy Cullen (Anniv)  
 Fri: 10.00 am Tom Sheehan (RIP)  
 Sat: 10.00 am Dec members of Hogan and Harrison Families

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

'The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life. This is why the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor' (Par. 2).



### New Seating arrangements in church

Government guidelines allow places of worship to be divided into sections with up to 50 people in each section. Each section must have its own entrance and exit route, be at least four metres from another section, and with no movement of people between sections. Along with the gallery, we are treating the block of seats at the top of the church as a separate section giving us 24 extra places. We can now accommodate almost 90 people.

### Tax Refunds on Parish Donations

For every donation of €250 or more we receive annually from parishioners, we get back from Revenue a further third of the donation. For this to happen, parishioners need to fill in a CHY3 form every five years and return it to us. Many thanks to all who have already returned these forms. The money received from this source is a vital source of income for the parish.

### Celebration of First Holy Communion

We will be celebrating First Holy Communion for the children Belgrove Schools on Saturday/Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> Sept at 2.00 pm in each of the three parish churches and for the children of Howth Road/Green Lanes Schools on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept, at 2.00 pm in our parish church. Please keep these children in your prayers.



### First and Second Mass Collection, Aug 22/23

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend came to €590 and the second collection for Share came to €265. Many thanks for your continued contribution to both of these collections.



### Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

If you wish to contribute to Vincent de Paul Society, you can leave an offering in the letterbox of 186 Clontarf Road. If you need the assistance of the Society, please contact Kieran or Padraic at 083-3843741.

### Family Mass

The 10.00 am Family Mass resumes will resume on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday. To comply with Government Guidelines relating to Covid, the children will remain in their seats for the homily and the Lord's Prayer. There will be no children's choir or offertory procession. All readings and prayers will be done from the Lectern. All children doing a reading or prayer will need to sit with their families in the front section of the church. We are grateful to the Family Mass team who will continue to ensure the children are involved.

### Parish Holy Hour

The first Holy Hour after the summer will be celebrated on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> September, at 7.30 pm. Some changes will have to be made in the light of Government Guidelines relating to Covid. Social distancing must be maintained in the seats. There will be no lighting of calendars on the steps of the altar. There will be no participation sheets and no refreshments served afterwards. However, it will remain a time of prayerful reflection for all.



### Prayer for Season of Creation (1<sup>st</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> October)

'O Creator God, open out eyes and our hearts to the wonders of your presence among us. May we see the signs of your beauty within and about us and ever be in awe of the simple gifts of life. Help us to reach beyond ourselves and to give thanks for all of your creation that share this universe with us; people of every nation, animals of every species, all forms of vegetation, the planets, stars, and all the elements'. Amen

### Baptisms

We welcome into the Christian community the children who are to be baptized in our parish church this month of September: Kiara Fallon Logue, Oscar McGee, Elise O'Sullivan, Olivia Sheridan, Margot Aldenhoff.



### Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the PPC takes place on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> September, 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, Liam Nolan, the chairperson, or to any other member of the PPC. Depending on Government guidelines, it may take place in reality or be a Zoom meeting.

### May they rest in peace

We extend our deepest sympathies to the families of those who were buried from our parish church in the month of August. May the Lord grant them eternal rest and peace: Sean Murphy, Patrick O'Carroll, Maire Brennan, Maureen Quinn, and Helen O'Leary who was buried in her home parish in County Clare.



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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  
 Monday to Friday