

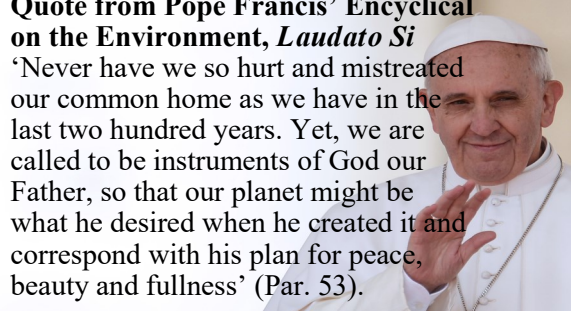


## Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Peter Collins (Anniv)  
 Sun: 10.00 am Bertie Cotter (Anniv)  
 12.00 pm John Fitzgerald (Anniv)  
 Mon: 10.00 am Eddie Kelly (Rec Dec)  
 Tues: 10.00 am Special Intention  
 Wed: 10.00 am Michael O'Farrell (Rec Dec)  
 Thur: 10.00 am Special Intention  
 Fri: 10.00 am Special Intention  
 Sat: 10.00 am Special Intention

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

'Never have we so hurt and mistreated our common home as we have in the last two hundred years. Yet, we are called to be instruments of God our Father, so that our planet might be what he desired when he created it and correspond with his plan for peace, beauty and fullness' (Par. 53).



**First and Second Sunday Mass Collection, 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March:** The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €395 and the second collection for Share was €180. Many thanks for your continued contribution to both collections in these financially demanding times. You can make use of the special envelopes in the church porch or you can avail of the Donate button on the Parish Website.



**Covid 19 & Church 21: New Survey:** The Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education, DCU invites all adult churchgoers in Ireland to take part in their new survey Covid-19 & Church-21. It aims to

gather information on how churchgoing and faith have been impacted by the pandemic and to find out more about the different online and socially-distanced services that have taken place during the varying restrictions. All adults, lay, clergy and religious, are invited to participate in this anonymous study. For more, contact [bernadette.sweetman@dcu.ie](mailto:bernadette.sweetman@dcu.ie).



### National Vocation Office

*"I am the resurrection and the life... whoever believes in Me will have eternal life."*

Do you feel called to nourish others in their faith in Christ, as priest, deacon or in consecrated life? The gift of a vocation is discerned through prayer and grace. Speak to your local priest or Diocesan Vocations Director, or email the National Vocations Office: email: [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie)

### Lenten Zoom Prayer Group

The sixth Zoom meeting of our Lenten Prayer Group takes place this Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March, beginning at 7.30 p.m. and concluding by 8.30 p.m. We base our prayer on the gospel reading for the following Sunday. You will need to download the Zoom App. If you would like to join this group, please email the parish office and a link will be sent to you.

### Sixth Lenten talk, Wednesday,

The sixth in our series of seven Lenten talks will take place this Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup>

March, after the 10.00 am Mass. Dr. Gerry O'Hanlon S.J. will speak on the topic 'Church Renewal: An Update'. Fr Gerry is a theologian who has written several books, including most recently, *The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis*. He is currently based in the small Jesuit community in Cherry Orchard, Dublin.



### Mass for Confirmation children



This Sunday in all three parishes, there is a special focus on the candidates for Confirmation at the various family Masses. At our own 10.00 am Mass, two children and their parents will be present to represent the candidates for Confirmation in our schools. Please remember to keep our Confirmation children in your prayers

### Three-Parish Penitential Service,

There will be a three-parish penitential service in Saint Gabriel's Church this Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, at 7.30 pm, led by Fr. John. The service aims to present an opportunity during these Covid times of lockdown for each individual to take a look back over the last year, just as Pope Francis recommends, in the hope that we may begin to notice what has truly been useful and beneficial in our lives and if there have been any elements in our activities and life-style that we could usefully let go of. Copies of a worksheet are available in the front porch to help you follow the service and engage with it.

### Holy Week

We hope to have a full programme of ceremonies for Holy Week, beginning with the blessing of the palms next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> March. Blessed palms will be available in the front porch of the church to take away. Details of the Holy Week ceremonies are on the church notice boards and will be delivered with the Easter Dues envelopes this week.



### Holy Week

### Parish Holy Hour

There will be an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament this Sunday at 7.30 pm, accessible via the Parish Web Cam. As the following Thursday is the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord, we will be reflecting on two readings from Luke's gospel relating to Mary, the mother of God.

### Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

If you wish to contribute to the Society of Vincent de Paul, you can leave an offering in the letterbox of 186 Clontarf Road. If you would like to get in contact with them, please phone Kieran or Padraic at 0830275054.

## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH PARISH NEWSLETTER 21st March 2021

### 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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