



## Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Lorraine McDaid (RIP)  
 Sun: 10.00 am Patricia Cotter (Anniv)  
 12.00 pm Des Brennan (Anniv)  
 Mon: 10.00 am Pat Harnedy (Anniv)  
 Tues: 10.00 am James Mc Grath (Snr & Jnr)  
 Wed: 10.00 am Thomas & Josephine Buttle  
 Thur: 10.00 am HOLY THURSDAY  
 Fri 10.00 am GOOD FRIDAY  
 Sat: 10.00 am EASTER SATURDAY

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

'The failure of global summits on the environment make it plain that our politics are subject to technology and finance. There are too many special interests, and economic interests easily end up trumping the common good and manipulating information so that their own plans will not be affected' (Par. 54).



**Seventh Lenten talk,**  
 The seventh in our series of seven Lenten talks will take place this

Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March, after the 10.00 am Mass. Fr Brian Grogan S.J. will speak on the topic 'A week is a long time in Jerusalem'. Fr. Brian is a well-known retreat giver, author and speaker. His many publications include, *To Grow in Love; Meetings Matter; Finding God in a Leaf; Creation Walk: The Amazing Story of a Small Blue Planet*

### New Web Camera

We have purchased a new web camera for our parish church, which has a Zoom facility. Its placement at the centre of the Gallery frontage means that parishioners now have a front view of the Sanctuary rather than a side view. We can also Zoom in on the lectern or the altar or the baptistery and other parts of the church as needed



### Holy Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> April

There will be one Mass on Holy Thursday at 7.00 pm, the Mass of the Lord's Supper. It will be followed at 8.00 pm by a time of reflective prayer for about thirty minutes.

### Good Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April

There will be a child friendly version of the Stations of the Cross at 12.00 pm. The main liturgy of the Lord's Passion will be celebrated at 3.00 pm. There will be a guided reflection on the Lord's passion and death at 7.30 pm for about thirty minutes.

### Holy Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April

We will celebrate the Easter Vigil Liturgy at 9.00 pm. We won't be lighting a fire outside and processing into the church behind the Paschal Candle as would be normal. Instead, we will light the Paschal Fire in the thurible in the Sanctuary area and there will be a short procession with the Easter Candle to the Easter Candle stand, after which the Exultet will be sung.

### Easter Garden

Our Lenten Garden will become an Easter Garden. Many thanks to Clare and Pauline for their work in putting the Easter Garden together. It is a reminder that the Lord was buried in a garden and that he appeared to Mary Magdalene in that garden. In fact, she initially thought he must be the gardener. It was only when the risen Lord called her name that she recognized him. We pray that we would hear the risen Lord speak our name this Holy Week and Easter Season.



### Penitential Service, Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> March

There will be a penitential service in our parish church this Tuesday, 30<sup>th</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. Copies of a worksheet are available in the front porch to help you follow the service and engage with it.

### Singing and Music at the Liturgy

We have had singing and music at almost every Sunday Mass since the churches were closed on Saint Stephen's Day. We will also have singing and music at all of our services this Holy Week. Many thanks to all who make this possible, our musicians Marie and Katerina and our cantors Brian, Roisin, Antoinette, Tanya and Nickola, Fr Martin

### First and Second Sunday Mass Collection, 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> March

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €420 and the second collection for Share was €250. 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.

### 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. 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 pandemic that they are available to assist people. If you would like to get in contact with them, please phone Kieran or Padraic at 0830275054

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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

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#### **Parish Office Opening Hours**

9.00 am—1.00 pm  
 Monday to Friday