

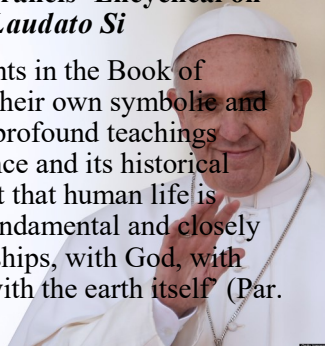


Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Paul O'Rourke (Months Mind)
 Sun: 10.00 am Michael Devine (Anniv)
 12.00 pm Paddy Carroll (Anniv)
 Mon: 10.00 am Special Intention
 Tues: 10.00 am Gerry Kelly (Anniv)
 Wed: 10.00 am Jazefa Chrobak (Anniv)
 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*

'The creation accounts in the Book of Genesis contain, in their own symbolic and narrative language, profound teachings about human existence and its historical reality. They suggest that human life is grounded in three fundamental and closely intertwined relationships, with God, with our neighbour and with the earth itself' (Par. 66).



Ministry of stewarding

Many thanks to all our stewards who have continued in this ministry. We need some new stewards, especially at the 10.00 am Mass. If you are willing to help the occasional Sunday in this vital ministry, please contact the parish office or Fr Martin or Fr John. Without a sufficient number of stewards we won't be able to open up for public worship.

Ecumenical Bible Week

Ecumenical Bible Week is an exciting and successful ecumenical venture which is now in its eighth year. It will run from Pentecost Sunday (23rd May) to Trinity Sunday (30th May). It includes Parish based events around Dublin and in surrounding areas. Bible Week 2021 will be online where there will be debates, talk, music and lots of participation. For more information, visit bibleweek.ie

Celebration of Baptisms

The Archbishop has asked that for now only one baptism at a time be celebrated in parish churches. We celebrate baptisms on the third Saturday of the month and the second Sunday of the month. However, we are dropping Sunday baptisms as we need time to clean the church between Masses. If there are two baptisms for the month we will celebrate one at 11.15 am and the other at 12.00 pm on the third Saturday. If there are more than two baptisms for the month we will celebrate them at those times on the second Saturday.

Notice Board for deceased parishioners

As well as the new notice board for First Holy Communion and Confirmation at the back of the church, we have upgraded the corresponding notice board on the other side of the main door. There is now a special board for the names of those who have died in our parish. I would like to thank Bernadette O'Donnell for all her work in helping to create this beautiful memorial space for our deceased parishioners.

Finance Committee

The next meeting of the Finance Committee takes place this Wednesday, 26th May, at 7.30 pm via Zoom. I would like to thank the Committee, under the able chairmanship of Eugene Gallagher, for overseeing the financial stability of the parish in these challenging times for so many of our parishioners, Fr Martin

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 remains available to assist people and can be contacted at 0830275054.

Zoom Prayer Meeting

The Zoom prayer meeting continues every Thursday at 7.30 pm. It is an hour of prayer, based on the gospel reading for the following Sunday. If you would like to attend, please email the parish office and we will send you on the Zoom link.

Sunday Mass Collection, 8/9 May

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €295 and the second collection for Share was €165. 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.

Do this in Memory Programme

The final monthly Mass with a special focus on the first Holy Communion children will be celebrated at 10.00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, 30th May, the feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord. Several families of children and their parents will be present to represent the larger group. Many thanks to Deirdre Ward, our Sacramental Co-ordinator for great work in organizing these Masses.

Feast of the Week

Monday, 24th May, is the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. This is a recent feast introduced by Pope Francis for the Monday after the Feast of Pentecost. From the cross Jesus entrusted Mary to his disciples as their mother and entrusted his disciples to Mary as her children. Mary, present with the disciples at Pentecost, prayed with them as the Holy Spirit descended. Mary has never ceased to take motherly care of the pilgrim church on earth.

Parish Podcasts

The most recent podcast to go up on our website and on the various podcast platforms is an interview about the Parish Film Club. Click on the 'Our Parish' link on the Parish Website and then on the 'Parish Podcast' link. Many thanks to Jack, Robin, Giulia and Teresa for all their work in producing these podcasts. It is an exciting parish initiative.

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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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