

6.00 pm Sean Gallagher (Anniv) Sat : Sun: 10.00 am Aisling Markey (Anniv) 12.00 pm Rita, Stanley, Fr Jack Bergin Also Sean M Bourke (Anniv) Mon: 10.00 am Jennifer O'Connor (Rec Dec) Tues: 10.00 am Mary Conway (Anniv) Wed: 10.00 am Special Intention Thur: 10.00 am Tom Nesbitt (Rec Dec) Fri 10.00 am Special Intention Sat: 10.00 am Special Intention

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

'The universe did not emerge as the result of arbitrary omnipotence, a show of force or a desire for self-assertion. Creation is of the order of love. God's love is the fundamental moving force in all created things'



## **Postponement of First Holy** Communions

First Holy Communion for last year's children were postponed for a fourth time this past week and are now

scheduled for the weekend of 18<sup>th</sup> September. We have decided to invite parents to bring their child for his or her First Holy Communion to any of the weekday or weekend Masses in any of the three parish churches. When you come to Mass in the coming months you may notice that one or more children will be making their First Holy Communion. We continue to keep them in our prayers at this difficult time for them.

#### **Pathways:** Exploring Faith and Ministry

Pathways is a two year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings, run by the Diocese of Dublin in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Drumcondra Road. It begins on Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (7.00 pm to 9.30 pm). Places are limited, so early application is advised. For more information, contact Eileen Houlahan at 018087594 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie

### **Congratulations to Fr Kieran**

Fr Kieran McDermott who lives beside me in 187 Clontarf Road and who is Administrator of the Pro-Cathedral Parish has been appointed by the Archbishop as Chairperson of the Diocesan Synodal Steering Committee. This Committee has the task of preparing the Diocese for the forthcoming National Synod. The work of the Task Force set up by the Archbishop will feed into the work of this Diocesan Synodal Steering Committee. We will keep Fr Kieran in our prayers as he takes on this important role in the life of the church in Dublin. Fr Martin



#### Holy Communion to the housebound If you know of anyone who is

housebound and who would like someone to bring them Holy

Communion on a regular basis, please contact Fr Martin or the Parish Office.

#### **New Vocations Team for** the Priesthood in Dublin Archbishop Dermot Farrell has appointed a New Team



for Vocations to the Priesthood for the Diocese of Dublin, Fr. Séamus McEntee is now the new Director of Vocation to the Priesthood with Fr. Bill O'Shaughnessy as the new Assistant Vocations Director. If you know of anyone who thinks they might have a vocation to be a priest or is interested in finding out more about being a priest for the Diocese of Dublin, please ask them to contact either Fr. Séamus or Fr. Bill on the Vocations Team at vocations@dublindiocese.ie or check out Vocations | Archdiocese of Dublin (dublindiocese.ie)

#### **Three Parish App**

Work is ongoing on the Three Parish App. You will be able to download this app from the usual app stores. It will give easy access to information about the three parishes. We will also be able to send notifications about upcoming events to parishioners. We hope it will be ready in early Autumn.

### Sunday Mass Collection,

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €675 and the second collection for Share was €390.

### Manresa Retreats, July to September

A directed retreat is an opportunity to tell your story, to attend to how God has been at work in your life. For many it may have a particular importance in recognising what restrictions and lockdowns have meant. Manresa are happy to offer you a quiet place for prayer, reflection and spiritual conversation during one of this summer's retreats - in your place (online) or in ours. For further information go to www.manresa.ie

#### Fr Gareth to take up his new role at the end of August

The Archbishop of Dublin Dermot Farrell has appointed Fr Gareth Byrne to take over the key position of overseeing the day-to-day running of diocesan administration. As Moderator of the Curia, he will be a key adviser to Dr Farrell and supervise diocesan offices and agencies on behalf of the archbishop. Our loss as a grouping of parishes is the Diocese's gain. We wish Fr Gareth every blessing in his new and important role. Fr Martin

#### Building Hope Task Force: Invitation to Parish Office **Parishioners**

Archbishop Farrell has set up a Task Force under the title of Building Hope to plan Fr. John Callanan S.J. 087 2296894 creatively for the future of the church in Dublin Diocese. You are invited to take part Parish Centre: in a consultation process organized by the Bethany Bereavement Support Task Force. There is a video, a prayer and a Bernadette form on the Dublin Diocese website www.dublindiocese.ie Please watch the video from the Archbishop and join with your family to pray and to discuss the future *Email clontarfstjohns@gmail.com* of the Church together. It is hoped that you might nominate one member of your family to to fill out the consultation form, which will remain online until the **18<sup>th</sup> July**.

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH PARISH NEWSLETTER 11th July 2021

# MASSES

## St John the Baptist

*Mon* - *Sat* :  $10.\overline{0}0$  *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 and 3rd Saturday of each month at 12 noon.

# CONTACTS

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