

Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Gretta & Thomas Murray (An)
 Sun: 10.00 am Therese Byrne (Months Mind)
 12.00 pm Patricia Andrews (Anniv)
 Mon: 10.00 am Paddy Cullen (Anniv)
 Also Catriona Wallace (Anniv)
 Tues: 10.00 am Special Intention
 Wed: 10.00 am Special Intention
 Thur: 10.00 am Special Intention
 Fri: 10.00 am Special Intention
 Sat: 10.00 am Una McDevitt (Rec Dec)

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

'A sense of deep communion with the rest of nature cannot be real if our hearts lack tenderness, compassion and concern for our fellow human beings. It is clearly inconsistent to combat trafficking in endangered species while remaining completely indifferent to human trafficking' (Par. 91).

Numbers at Mass

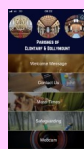
According to recent government guidelines, **Attendance at religious services is up to 50% of church capacity (subject to appropriate protective measures including social distancing between groups, face masks etc).** We have decided to err on the side of caution in our parish, out of concern for the well-being and health of parishioners. We will maintain the two metre social distancing. However, we should be able to accommodate a slight increase in the numbers we can admit to the church. We look forward to 22nd October which is the date when all restrictions are due to be lifted. Fr Martin

First Holy Communion 2020

Finally, the celebration of the First Holy Communion for the children of 2020 will be celebrated next weekend, September 17, 18 and 19, in the three parish churches. All the liturgies are at 2.00 pm. Please remember the children in your prayers. It is a happy day for them, having waiting for sixteen months, and having had to endure three postponements.

Instructions for the Parish App

The Clontarf and Dollymount Parish App has had almost 300 downloads since its launch.. To download the App:



- Go to the Apple Store or Google Play and click on the search icon. As soon as you start to type in 'Clontarf' the App will appear. It has an image of the statue of Our Lady at the end of the Bull Wall.
- Click on the icon and then press Install/Download and then Open.
- General Notifications automatically go out to everybody in all three parishes. If you wish to turn these off, click the 'house image' at the top right of the home screen, tick 'Notifications', and un-tick 'General Notifications'
- If you only wish to receive notifications relating to Saint John the Baptist Parish, un-tick 'General Notifications' and tick the white box opposite 'St John the Baptist parish'**
- If you are a member of a group in any of the parishes, you can tick the white box opposite the group to receive notifications relating to the group.

Annual Collection for Crosscare

Crosscare is the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin. Their annual collection for takes place at all the Masses on the weekend of 18th/19th September. It will replace the usual Share collection.



Parish Holy Hour

The first hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament after the Summer will take place next Sunday, 19th September, at 7.30 pm. The following Tuesday, 21st September, is the feast of Saint Matthew and we will be reflecting upon the gospel account of the call of Matthew.

First Confession and First Holy Communion, 2021

The children of 2021 will be celebrating their First Holy Communion on the weekend of September 24, 25 and 26 in the three parish churches. All the liturgies are at 2.00 pm. They will be making their first confession on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening of this coming week in Saint Gabriel's Church. Please remember the children in your prayers.



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The first meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council after the Summer takes place on Monday, 20th September, at 7.30 p.m. 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.

Finance Committee

The first meeting of the Finance Committee after the Summer takes place this Wednesday, 15th September, at 7.30 pm. Again, I would like to thank the Committee, under the able chairmanship of Eugene Gallagher, for overseeing the financial management of the parish in these challenging times for the parish's finances, and for working so hard to ensure that the conservation and restoration work on the church is brought to completion. Fr Martin



Sunday Mass Collection, 4/5 September

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €560 and the second collection for Share was € 290

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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 and 3rd Saturday of each month at 12 noon.

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