

## Mass Intentions

Sat : 6.00 pm Detta Walsh (Anniv)  
 Sun: 10.00 am Tom Sweeney (Anniv)  
 12.00 pm Phyllis Quinn (Anniv)  
 Also Eamonn O'Brien (Anniv)  
 Mon: 10.00 am Deirdre McDonnell (Anniv)  
 Tues: 10.00 am Special Intention  
 Wed: 10.00 am Tony Coleman (Rec Dec)  
 Thur: 10.00 am Betty Reynolds (Rec Dec)  
 Fri: 10.00 am Sean Clinton (Anniv)  
 Sat: 10.00 am Bernadette Brangan (Anniv)

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

'Everything is connected. Concern for the environment needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society' (Par. 92).

### Numbers at Mass

With regard to numbers at Mass, 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 are able to accommodate a slight increase in the numbers we can admit to the church, as the need for sections and the limit of 50 people per section no longer applies.



### First Holy Communion 2020

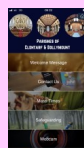
Finally, the celebration of the First Holy Communion for the children of 2020 are being celebrated this weekend, in the three parish churches. All the liturgies are at 2.00 pm. Please remember the children in your prayers. It is a happy day for them, having waited for sixteen months, and having had to endure three postponements.

### Sunday Mass Collection, 11/12 September

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €475 and the second collection for Share was € 255.

### Parish App.

People are continuing to download the App for the three Clontarf/Dollymount parishes. The weekly Newsletter and the Parish Webcam can be accessed on it, as well as the Readings of the Day and a Daily Reflection on the gospel reading. You will also find information about Mass times, the celebration of the Sacraments and much else. Also if you tick the notifications box, we will send you news about upcoming events. Please download and encourage others to do so.



### Baptism Team

The members of the Baptism Team meet with the parents of the children to be baptized for a short preparatory meeting and they assist with the baptism liturgy on the second and third Saturdays of the month at 12.00 pm. The team are looking for two more members. The commitment involves being available every three or four months. If you think you would like to part of his lovely ministry, please contact Fr Martin, Fr John or any member of the baptism team.

### Parish Holy Hour

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



### Lectio Divina Prayer Group

This prayer group meets via Zoom every Thursday from 7.30 to 8.30 pm. We reflect together on the gospel reading for the following Sunday. The reading of the gospel is followed by a period of quiet prayer and of sharing on the gospel reading for those who wish to share. If you would like to join the group, please email the parish office at [clontarfstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:clontarfstjohns@gmail.com) and we will send you on the Zoom link.

### Vacancy for school secretary

Belgrove Senior Girls' School, Roll Number 17148D, is seeking to recruit a School Secretary. Further details are available on [educationposts.ie](http://educationposts.ie)

### First Holy Communion, 2021

The children of 2021 will be celebrating their First Holy Communion next weekend, September 24, 25 and 26 in the three parish churches. All the liturgies are at 2.00 pm. Please remember these children in your prayers as well.



### Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The first meeting of the PPC after the Summer takes place this Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> September, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. 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, or email it to the parish office [clontarfstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:clontarfstjohns@gmail.com)

### Family Mass

The Family Mass begins again this Sunday. The Family Mass team organize the Mass and involve the children as much as possible. We are looking for a few more parents to join the team. Please contact any of the Family Mass team at the 10.00 am Mass if you are interested. I would like to thank Joanne Giles for taking on the role of co-ordinating the team. She has replaced Fiona Higgins who had this role for many years. We are very grateful to Fiona for her great service to the Family Mass during that time. Fr Martin

**Annual Collection for Crosscare, 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> September.** Crosscare is the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin. Their annual collection takes place at all the Masses this weekend. It will replace the usual Share collection. Through their services for Homeless, Youth, Migrants and Refugees, Crosscare focuses on helping people and families when they need it most or when they can't find support anywhere else

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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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**Parish Office Opening Hours**  
 9.00 am—1.00 pm  
 Monday to Friday