# Mass Intentions

Sat: 6.00 pm Michael Venebles (Anniv) Sun: 10.00 am Christy Belton (Anniv) 12.00 pm Paul Ouinn Mon: 10.00 am Special Intention Tues: 10.00 am Paddy and Francis Kavanagh Wed: 10.00 am Special intention Thur: 10.00 am Geoffrey Kelly (Anniv) Fri: 10.00 am ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

Sat: 10.00 am John Conway (Anniv)

#### First and Second Sunday Mass Envelope Collection, 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> December

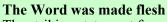
The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend through the special envelopes was €1175 and the second collection for Share was €550 Many thanks for your continued contribution to both collections. This does **not** include contributions made using the new Tap and Go Machine or the Donate button on the Parish Website.

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

'It is troubling that when some ecological movements defend the integrity of the environment, rightly demanding that certain limits be imposed on scientific research, they sometimes fail to apply these same principles to human life' (Par. 136).

#### Do this in Memory programme

The next Mass relating to the 'Do this in Memory' programme for the first holy communion children will be celebrated at 10.00 am on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> January, in our parish church.



The striking statement from John's gospel in today's gospel reading, 'The Word was made flesh and lived among us', was anticipated by a verse in the Book of Wisdom, written less than a century before the coming of Christ, 'For while gentle silence enveloped all things, and night in its swift course was now half gone, your all-powerful word leaped from heaven, from the royal throne' (Wisdom 18:14-15).

#### **Collection for Peter McVerry Trust**

'We are delighted to say that an incredible total of €1.607.57 was raised between the two masses on Sunday, 19th December. Thank you so much for your kindness in inviting us to come, and also to the parishioners of St John the Baptist Church for their generosity', Lauren, from Peter McVerry Trust

## **Holy Hour**

The next Holy Hour will take place on Sunday,  $16^{th}$  January, at 7.30 pm. We will be reflecting on the story of the marriage feast of Cana in John's gospel which is the gospel reading for that Sunday, as well as on an adjoining passage of John's gospel.

#### **Confirmation programme** The next Mass relating to the Confirmation programme will be celebrated at 10.00 am on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January, in our



**Christmas Vincent de Paul Collection** 

The indoor collection for the St Vincent de Paul Society on the weekend of December 11/12 came to €3,400. The members of the local conference are very grateful for this very generous contribution to their work at this time.

#### Feast of the **Epiphany** The feast of the Epiphany, 6<sup>th</sup> January, falls on a Thursday



this year. As well as the usual 10.00 am Mass, there will also be a 6.00 pm Mass on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> January. Epiphany means 'showing forth' and this feast celebrates the showing forth of Emmanuel, God-withus, to all of humanity, represented by the magic from the East.



## **Baptisms this coming** month We welcome into the children who are to be

Christian community the baptized in our parish church

this month of January: Arabella Rossi, Edie Graham and Leo Breen

We continue to have a Zoom



Fr Martin Hogan

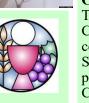
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parish church. The candidates for Confirmation will be taking their pledge at this Mass.

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**Funerals this past month** 

We extend our deepest sympathies to the families of those who were buried from our parish church in the month of December: Kitty Blacoe, Dorothy Ward, Patrick Shaloo, Sinead Harahan and Roisín Lee

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## 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

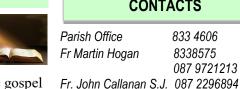
# CONFESSIONS

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 and 3rd Saturday of each month at 12 noon.

# CONTACTS



**Zoom Prayer Meeting** 

prayer meeting every

Thursday from 7.30 to 8.30 pm, where we reflect together on the gospel reading for the following Sunday. To join us, please contact the parish office at clontarfstjohns@gmail.com and a link for the Bethany Bereavement Support Zoom meeting will be sent.

## **Suggested New Year resolutions**

1. Check on your elderly neighbours or those who live alone; 2. Discover more about your faith this year through prayer, reading or activity; 3. Prepare to recycle some of the unloved presents you may have received this Christmas for donation to a charity shop.

