

Mass Intentions

Sat: 6.00 pm Syl Edwards (Anniv)
 Sun: 10.00 am Patrick Manning (Anniv)
 12.00 pm Mary Nolan (Anniv)
 Also Pat McEvoy (Anniv)
 Also Sinead Harahan (M/Mind)
 Tues: 10.00 am Mary O'Sullivan (Anniv)
 Wed: 10.00 am Marie Brangan (Anniv)
 Thurs: 10.00 am Sheila O'Mahony (Anniv)
 Fri: 10.00 am Terese & Frank Quinn (An)
 Sat: 10.00 am Eithne Blake (Anniv)

First and Second Sunday Mass Envelope Collection, 8th/9th January

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend through the special envelopes was €360 and the second collection for Share was €140. 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'*

'Each organism, as a creature of God, is good and admirable in itself; the same is true of the harmonious ensemble of organisms existing in a defined space and functioning as a system. Although we are often not aware of it, we depend on these larger systems for our own existence' (Par. 140).



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from 18th to 25th January. The theme for the week is 'We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him' (Matthew 2:1-12). It is a call to unity of those from North and South, from East and West, old and young, men and women. The Middle East Council of Churches, based in Beirut, Lebanon, have provided prayer services and reflections on the theme.

Opening Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

This year, the opening liturgy for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated in Saint Anthony's Church, Clontarf, next Tuesday, 18th January, at 8.00 pm. Archbishop Dermot Farrell will be present as well as Archbishop Michael Jackson, the Church of Ireland Archbishop of Dublin. The preacher is Very Rev. Dr. Trevor Morrow, former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. You are welcome to attend or to view the service online.



Confirmation programme

The next Mass relating to the Confirmation programme for our Confirmation candidates will be celebrated at 10.00 am next Sunday, 23rd January, in our parish church. The candidates for Confirmation will be taking their pledge at this Mass. Please remember them in your prayers.

Parish Holy Hour, 7.00 pm, 16th January

The next Holy Hour will take place this Sunday, 16th January, at 7.00 pm. **Note the change of time from 7.30 to 7.00 pm.** We will be reflecting on the story of the marriage feast of Cana, today's gospel reading, as well as on an adjoining passage of John's gospel.



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

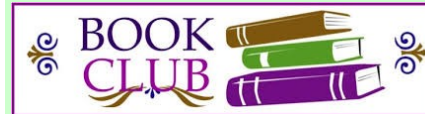
The next meeting of the PPC takes place at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 26th January in the Parish Centre. If any parishioner would like to place an item on the Agenda, please mention it to Fr. Martin, Fr. John, Liam Nolan, the chairperson, or to any other member of the PPC.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The members of this group are available to meet with people who have been bereaved on the third Saturday of every month at 10.30 am in the parish centre. Bernadette O'Donnell is also available for meeting people individually at any time and can be contacted at 0876445309

Tap and go machine for Sunday collections

We have had a Tap and Go machine in the church since early December. It allows parishioners to contribute to the two Sunday Mass collections using a credit/debit card. You make one contribution of your choice and the Diocese puts 60% of your contribution towards the first collection, the Common Fund, which supports the priests of the Diocese, and 40% towards the Share collection, which provides essential pastoral services for all parishes and particular supports for disadvantaged parishes. You can also continue to use the envelopes for these collections or the Donate button on the website.

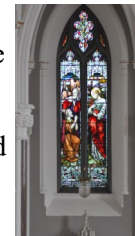


Parish Book Club
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meeting of the Parish Book Club is this Thursday, 20th January in the Parish Centre. We are reading *Midnight in London: The Anglo-Irish Treaty Crisis 1921*, by Colm Kenny, Professor Emeritus of Dublin City University and a barrister. We meet once a month and would welcome new members. If you are interested you might let Fr Martin or Fr John know

Finance Committee

The next meeting of the Finance Committee takes place on Monday, 24th January, at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre. I would again like to thank the Committee for overseeing the important restoration and conversation work on our church, and a special thanks to Eugene Gallagher, the chairperson. We are waiting for the German stained glass firm to return in February to complete the work on the windows, Fr Martin



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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

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