

Mass Intentions

Sat: 6.00 pm Aisling Markey (Anniv)
Also Hugh McVeigh (MM), Sean Gallagher
Sun: 10.00 am Stanley, Rita & Fr Jack Bergin
12.00 pm John L Brady (B/day)
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Tues: 10.00 am Jerry Kelly (Anniv)
Wed: 10.00 am Mary Conway (Anniv)
Thurs: 10.00 am Anthony Mannion (Anniv)
also Padraig Murphy (Anniv)

Quote from Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Environment, *Laudato Si'*: 'Each creature reflects something of God and has a message to convey to us... Christ has taken unto himself this material world and now, risen, is intimately present to each being, surrounding it with his affection and penetrating it with his light' (Par. 221)



Welcome to Fr John O'Brien

As a parish community, we welcome Fr John O'Brien among us as parish priest and Moderator of the three Clontarf parishes. He has his family link with the parish as his grandmother was baptized in this church over one hundred years ago. We hope he will be very happy among us and we ask the Lord to bless his future ministry in our parish and in the grouping of parishes.

Pathways: Exploring Faith as an Adult

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings, run by the Dublin Archdiocese in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Upper Drumcondra Rd. It runs from late September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.). The course is for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. There are no exams and no written work. The cost is €400 per year which may be paid in instalments. Application is now open for September 2022. Contact: Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594, pathways@dublindiocese.ie.



First and Second Sunday Mass Collection, 2nd/3rd July

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €405 and the second collection for Share was €250. Many thanks for your continued contribution to both collections in these financially demanding times. You can make use of the special envelopes in the church porch or you can avail of the Donate button on the Parish

Summer Fair –final income

Well done to Bernadette O'Donnell, Monica Walsh, Anne Curtis and all their support group for organizing the Summer Fair after an absence of two years. It was a very successful event with great footfall all morning. The sale of books was so successful that the remaining books were sold off very reasonably last weekend. As a result, the sum of €2,270 was raised for the parish from all the sales. Congrats again to everyone on a great parish effort.



Feast of the Week

This Monday, July 11, is the feast of Saint Benedict. He was born of a distinguished family and was educated in Rome. He abandoned his studies and his inheritance and he devoted himself to the quest for God. This initially took the form of a period of solitude in a cave just to the east of Rome. His solitude was interrupted by those who were drawn to his way of life and wanted to gather around him. He organized these followers into a group of monasteries. He himself took leadership of one of those monasteries, Monte Casino, which is now considered the birthplace of the Benedictine order. There he wrote his Monastic Rule which set a standard for the future Western Monastic tradition.

Clontarf Bereavement Support

The Clontarf Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary ministry which aims to help the bereaved and grieving. The volunteers are all trained to listen and to help. Next meeting Saturday 16th July at 10.30am in St John the Baptist Parish Centre, Clontarf Rd. Please feel free to drop in for a confidential chat. Contact number 087 6445309/089 2214487

Associate Membership of Lourdes Pilgrimage

After an absence of two years, Bridie McHugh will be collecting for the Associate Membership of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Any contribution you make will go towards helping sick people travel to Lourdes who wouldn't otherwise be able to go. Your contribution makes you an associate member of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and you will be prayed for at the shrine.

Bloom in the Church!

Congratulations to our gardener, Tony, for the wonderful display of roses to the front of the church. His faithful attendance to the church grounds week in and week out has given us all the pleasure of our own rose garden. He is one of many parishioners on whose unassuming parish ministry the life of the parish so much depends.



A word from Fr Martin

I am very sorry I was not able to be with you last weekend because of my contacting Covid. Having managed to keep free of it all through the pandemic, it is a shame that it hit me just as I was about to leave the parish. I was looking forward to meeting many of you after Mass last weekend and at the planned gathering on Monday evening. As I move to my new appointment in Finglas this weekend, I will always carry the parishioners of St John the Baptist in my heart. Thank you for all you have given to me over the past fifteen years. Please keep me in your prayers as I take up this new challenge. I hope to keep meeting up with some of you on my seafront walks or in one of the local shops. I pray God's blessing on Fr John O'Brien's ministry among you. With great appreciation, 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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