

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday:

6.00 pm John Cummins (Anniv)

### Sunday:

10.00 am Rita Byrne (RIP)

12.00 pm Fintan Doran (Anniv)

Also Grainne Rutherford (Anniv)

### Monday:

Eva Daly (Anniv)

### Tuesday

Frank Kelly (Rec Dec)

### Wednesday

Ross McCarthy (Rec Dec)

### Thursday

Special Intention

### Friday

Michael John Freaney (Rec Dec)

### Saturday

Ellen Crowley (Anniv)

### First and Second Sunday Mass

#### Collection,

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €425 and the second collection for the SHARE came to €295. Many thanks for your continued contribution to both collections. This does not include contributions through the Tap and Go Machine or the Donate button on the Parish Website, for which we are equally grateful.

### St John's Men's Social Group



The Men's Social and Music Group meets every Wednesday from 10-30am to 12-30 pm in our Parish Centre. The Men's Group is a venue for men to meet, relax, have fun and discuss issues of the day over a tea/coffee. Men of all ages and musicians of every level are very welcome. Ceol, Ol agus Craic."

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

222. Christian spirituality proposes an alternative understanding of the quality of life, and encourages a prophetic and contemplative lifestyle, one capable of deep enjoyment free of the obsession with consumption. We need to take up an ancient lesson, found in different religious traditions and also in the Bible. It is the conviction that “less is more”. A constant flood of new consumer goods can baffle the heart and prevent us from cherishing each thing and each moment. To be serenely present to each reality, however small it may be, opens us to much greater horizons of understanding and personal fulfilment. Christian spirituality proposes a growth marked by moderation and the capacity to be happy with little. It is a return to that simplicity which allows us to stop and appreciate the small things, to be grateful for the opportunities which life affords us, to be spiritually detached from what we possess, and not to succumb to sadness for what we lack. This implies avoiding the dynamic of dominion and the mere accumulation of pleasures.



### Night Fever

On Friday 23rd of June the Vigil of the Feast of the birth of St John the Baptist, our patron. On that night from 7.00 pm—8.00 pm there will be exposition in our Church and an opportunity to pray. We need volunteers to be out on the street to invite others in and also some people to be in the Church at prayer. It would be an opportunity to light a candle for a loved one. If you would like to help in any way please contact Maura O’Looney at 01-8333866 or Fr John O’Brien 083 0062411. We will ask the intercession of St John the Baptist for our parish and our diocese.



### PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY An Adult Faith Development Programme

Applications are now open for the next intake of participants for *Pathways*. The programme, run by the Dublin Archdiocese, begins this year in DCU St. Patrick’s Campus, Upper Drumcondra Rd., Dublin 9 on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 (7.00p.m. – 9.30 p.m.)**. Places are limited so early application is advised.

*Pathways* is a two-year, one evening a week course for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. You can just come along and enjoy! The cost is €400 for the coming year which may be paid in instalments. Some sponsorship may be available for those of limited means. Places are limited.

### Summer Dues

The summer Dues collection in support of the priests will take place again this year starting this weekend. Envelopes can be found in the Church porch.

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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 Saturday of each month at  
12 noon.

### CONTACTS

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### Parish Office Opening Hours

9.00 am—1.00 pm

Monday to Friday