Mass Intentions

Saturday: 6.00 pm Liam McSweeney (Rec Dec) Sunday: 10.00 am Therese Byrne (Anniv) 12.00 pm May Nichol (Anniv) Monday Edmund McAvinue (Anniv) **Special Intention** Tuesday Joan Ryan (Anniv) Wednesday Muriel Fitzpatrick (Rec Dec) Thursday Jimmy Gavin (Rec Dec) Saturday Tom Lyons (Rec Dec)

First and Second Sunday Mass Collection,

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was \notin 495 and the second collection for the SHARE came to \notin 440.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.

Unislim Classes

A New Unislim Class has started in the St Johns Parish Centre on Tuesday's from 9.30 to 10.30am. Avail of our opening Special Offer of No Joining Fee.

LITURGY OF THE WORD & HOLY COMMUNION.



EVERY FRIDAY DURING JULY & AUGUST STARTING 7TH JULY.

EXPOSITION WILL ALSO TAKE PLACE AFTER THE SERVICE

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

231. Love, overflowing with small gestures of mutual care, is also civic and political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world. Love for society and commitment to the common good are outstanding expressions of a charity which affects not only relationships between individuals but also "macro-relationships, social, economic and political ones".[156] That is why the Church set before the world the ideal of a "civilization of love". [157] Social love is the key to authentic development: "In order to make society more human, more worthy of the human person, love in social life – political, economic and cultural - must be given

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,starts on **Thursday 28th September 2023 (7.00p.m. – 9.30 p.m.). Places are limited so early application is advised.** For further information please contact Eileen Houlahan on (01) 8087594 or email <u>ehoulahan@dublindiocese.ie</u>: pathways@dublindiocese.ie

History of Mass Offerings.

Mass Offerings were introduced many years ago to help provide income for the celebrant of a mass, when he says the mass for a particular intention. The mass offering was intended to provide the support necessary for a priest on that particular day. It resonated so much with the family of a Dominican Sister I was friendly with that her father gave 5pounds many years ago when that was a very significant sum. Over the years mass offerings I have received have been generous or ungenerous and on an odd occasion I have been given nothing at all. I ask you, when you are booking a mass and giving an offering, please keep the above in mind. Please also give the offering just before or just after the mass. Please do not wait for days or weeks to hand the offering to the priest, as has been done.

Thanks to all who give so generously. Fr. John.

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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.

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