

Mass Intentions

Saturday:

6.00 pm May Walsh (Anniv)

Sunday:

10.00 am Paddy Guiney (Anniv)

12.00 pm Seamus Keegan (Anniv)

Weekdays

Monday

Paul Virtue (Rec Dec)

Also Eileen Lucey and Mary Fallon (RD)

Tuesday

Harry McIlroy (Rec Dec)

Breda O'Kelly (Rec Dec)

Wednesday

Special Intention

Thursday

Anna & Frank Reynolds (Anniv)

Friday

Altar List of the Dead

Saturday

Ciara Nichol-Smyth (Rec Dec)

First and Second Sunday Mass Collection,

The first collection for the priests of the Diocese last weekend was €680 and the second collection for Mission Sunday came to €965. 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.

Annual Mass for the Dead



The annual Mass for the dead will take place on Sunday 12th November at 12 noon.

The Synod:
An early assessment
of the 2023
assembly in Rome

Lecture by Dr Massimo Faggioli,
Professor of Theology and Religious Studies,
Villanova University

Thursday 2nd November at 7.30pm
JM Synge Theatre, Arts Building, TCD
www.tcd.ie/loyola-institute

Trinity College Dublin
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath
The University of Dublin

The Loyola Institute
School of Religion, Theology, and Peace Studies
TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

3 Parish App

The 3 parish App has been discontinued because of cost and lack of use. However, the Parish Pastoral Council would like to hear from anyone who has been using it. Please contact Fr. John O'Brien as soon as possible.



Gents Social Club

Gents Social Group meets every Wednesday in St John the Baptist Parish Centre from 10.30 am—12.30pm. Meet for music, chat, sing song, relax and enjoy a cuppa. Just drop in where a warm welcome awaits



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Feast of All Saints



The Feast of All Saints is next Wednesday 1st November There will be a vigil Mass at 6.00pm on Tuesday 31st and 10.00 am Mass on Wednesday

An excerpt from *Apostolic Exhortation, Evangelii Gaudium of the Holy Father, Francis*

3. I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unflinchingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since “no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord”.^[1] The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms. Now is the time to say to Jesus: “Lord, I have let myself be deceived; in a thousand ways I have shunned your love, yet here I am once more, to renew my covenant with you. I need you. Save me once again, Lord, take me once more into your redeeming embrace”. How good it feels to come back to him whenever we are lost! Let me say this once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy. Christ, who told us to forgive one another “seventy times seven” (Mt 18:22) has given us his example: he has forgiven us seventy times seven. Time and time again he bears us on his shoulders. No one can strip us of the dignity bestowed upon us by this boundless and unfailing love. With a tenderness which never disappoints, but is always capable of restoring our joy, he makes it possible for us to lift up our heads and to start anew. Let us not flee from the resurrection of Jesus, let us never give up, come what will. May nothing inspire more than his life, which impels us onwards!

