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Mass Intentions:

Sunday 6/9

12.00 noon Ellen Coyne (A)
William Jacob (A)
Gabriel Thomas (MM)

Tuesday 8/9

10.00 am Paul Fleming (4A)
Jack Hayes (A)

Wednesday 9/9

10.00 am Patti Cromwell

Friday 11/9

10.00 am Marie & Nancy Molloy (A)

We pray for the family of Catherine (Kay) McKay whose funeral took place this week.



Reflection: A blessing for school children in COVID-19 times

Let us pray for God's blessing on our children in this new school year, especially those beginning school for the first time, that they may continue to walk safely in God's ways.....

As you carry your bag, may you know that Jesus is walking with you and looking after you. May you keep safe in all you do, may you be more aware of others too.

May you work and play hard and enjoy your friendships safely.

May you keep safe distances and be kind, gentle and understanding.

May you know the warmth of God's protecting presence in all you say and do.

May the load you carry every day be a light one.

May the Lord help you at school to grow daily in confidence, wisdom and knowledge.

May God keep you, your family and your friends safe, and may you always walk in His presence.

Contributing to the Parish:

If you click on the 'Donate' button on the front page of our parish website, it will open up a number of options enabling you to donate online to the particular collection(s) you would like to support. It is an easy and safe method of contributing and enables the parish to keep a record of your donation. We appreciate your continued generous support.

Please ensure if possible, to write your donation **envelope number** on all envelopes including those for first and second collections, in order to keep our records up to date.

Parishioners who would like to contribute to the work of our **St. Vincent de Paul Society** local conference may leave an offering in an envelope marked SVP and place it in the safe at the back of the church. We will ensure that it gets to them quickly.

Each Thursday there is a weekly **Zoom meeting** where we read and discuss the readings for the following Sunday from 7.30pm-8.15pm. Anyone wishing to participate is asked to contact the parish office or Fr. Richard (richarddesheehy@gmail.com) for the meeting ID and password.

Change to Weekday Mass Times:

Please note:

From **Monday 7th September** the time for weekday masses (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday) in Our Lady of Dolours will change to **10.00am**

The Sunday Mass times of 12 noon and 6.30pm will remain unchanged.

Sincere thankyou to the parishioners who recently donated beautiful flowers for the Church. Your kindness is gratefully appreciated.

Mass in Our Lady Of Dolours Church

Our church is divided into two separate 'pods', four metres apart, each of which can accommodate no more than fifty people and has its own separate entrance and exit. There can be no movement of people from one pod to the other.

For this reason the following measures have been put in place for the safety of everyone:
* Parishioners may only enter by **one** of the two main doors at the front of the church. If you enter by the main door on the left, you will be accommodated in the left hand section of the church; whereas if you enter via the door on the right, you will be seated in the right hand section of the church. We ask parishioners to form a queue along the wheelchair ramp outside the church, so that stewards can count the number of people as they enter.

* Every second pew has been cordoned off, and only one person or couple may sit at either end of the available pews. Parishioners will be seated as they arrive by stewards rather than choosing their own seat. We invite individuals to fill up the green chairs first, so that the pews can be reserved for couples or families, allowing us accommodate more parishioners.

* **Parishioners are asked to provide and wear their own face mask to Mass and to sanitise their hands immediately on entering the church.** The location of the hand sanitisers are clearly indicated. Please read and follow the directions on all the signs.

* Holy Communion will be brought to you by the celebrant or minister of the Eucharist. Those who wish to receive are asked to remain standing and to stretch out their arm fully in order to receive Communion from the priest/minister's equally outstretched hand. Those who would prefer not to receive are invited to sit down.

* Two collection containers (for First and Share Collections) will be passed by stewards during the Mass. Parishioners are invited to place their offerings (in envelopes provided) in the containers as the stewards pass by with them.

* At the end of Mass parishioners are invited to leave the church via the same door through which they entered.

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*Parishioners at a vulnerable age or with an underlying health condition are welcome to follow the Mass on the webcam from at home. Parishioners who are free during the week are strongly encouraged to attend Mass on a weekday (except Thursday) rather than on Sunday, so that those who are only free to attend on Sundays may do so.

* For the time being there are **two** Sunday Masses only, at **12 noon** and **6.30pm**. The church needs to be cleaned and disinfected after each Mass and before the next one.

* **We would really appreciate extra volunteers to assist with stewarding at Mass** on Sunday, so that it is not left to the same few people each week. If you are willing to assist, please talk to anyone you see with a steward's badge at Mass. Many thanks in anticipation. Mass will continue to be streamed via the webcam facility which can be accessed via the parish website (www.glasnevinparish.ie) at 12 noon and 6.30pm each Sunday.

Please note, from Monday 7th September, the time of weekday Mass will revert to 10.00am.

From the parish website, parishioners can directly access our Facebook page where a 'thought for the day' based on the daily readings is put up each day.

The parish secretary can be contacted during normal office hours by telephone (01/8379445) or email (ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com). If parishioners need to see a priest after weekday Mass or get a Mass card signed, the priest or sacristan will come out to the church to see them. In the interest of the health and safety of all, we ask parishioners not to come into the sacristy before or after Mass.

The church will open each weekday from 12.00 noon until 2.00pm (Mon-Sat) for private prayer and for a short time after 12 noon Mass on Sunday. As the pod system will still be in place, visitors are encouraged to enter and leave via the same door and to use the hand sanitising gel.