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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.

**November List** envelopes and sheets of paper are available at the back of the church. Parishioners are invited to take these and to return them at your convenience with the names of those whom you wish to add to the Altar List of the Dead. They can be left in the large safe at the back of the church or handed in to the sacristy any weekday morning. Many thanks to volunteers who assisted with delivering envelopes around the parish. All whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead will be remembered at Mass each day throughout the month of November and on each First Friday of the month during the coming year. During the month of November, we will have a number of trees of remembrance in the church. As in previous years we will write the names of deceased family members and friends of parishioners whom you would like prayed for. If you write the name of someone on the sheet provided beside the tree, our sacristy team will place a tag on the tree with the person's name on it. A special tree will be dedicated to children who miscarried or who died shortly after birth.

### Mass in Our Lady Of Dolours Church

**Mass is celebrated on Sunday at 11.00am.** If parishioners are unable to participate at the Mass via webcam live at 11.00am, they can view the Mass later in the day, as it is recorded. Mass will continue to be celebrated each weekday (except Thursday) and to be available to parishioners via webcam, which can be accessed via the parish website. **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November is the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls).** Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am and accessible via webcam.

The church will remain open each day from about 11.00am to 5.00pm so that parishioners may call into the church to say a prayer, find a quiet space or light a candle.

Each **Thursday** at a weekly Zoom meeting 7.30pm-8.15pm we read and discuss the Gospel for the following Sunday. Anyone wishing to participate is asked to contact the parish office or email Fr. Richard ([richardesheehy@gmail.com](mailto:richardesheehy@gmail.com)) for the meeting ID and password.

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. You do not have to have a Facebook account in order to access the parish Facebook page.

If you know of a parishioner who is in hospital and would like a visit from a priest, please let us know, and we can arrange for the resident hospital chaplain to call. Equally, we ask you to let us know if you are aware of a parishioner who has been discharged from hospital and who would like one of the parish clergy to make contact.

Although parishioners cannot attend Mass in person for the time being, it is still possible to have an intention prayed for at any of our weekday or Sunday Masses. Parishioners are welcome to call the sacristy any weekday morning at Tel. 01/797 9153 if you have a Mass intention.

As the government Plan for Living with Covid-19 looks set to continue at Level Five for the next month at least, our **Annual Mass** for those parishioners who died during the past year will take place online on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. We regret that we are unable to invite the families of those parishioners who died during the past year and parishioners who wish to remember a deceased loved one to attend the Mass in person. However, all are invited to participate at the Mass via the webcam. As their names are called out, a candle will be lit at the Mass for each parishioner who died during the past year. The names will also be written in to our parish **Book of Remembrance** which will be on display in the church throughout the month of November. Parishioners are invited to participate at the Mass of Remembrance via webcam and to light a candle at home in memory of their deceased loved ones.

### Reflection:

*Over the past few weeks we have seen wonderful colours in the trees. Now the leaves are beginning to fall, and the shortening daylight hours also remind us that we are approaching winter. November is the month when traditionally we remember those who have gone before us. This year has been an exceptionally difficult year for those who lost a loved one. In some instances, particularly at the start of the pandemic, a family member may have been in a hospital or nursing home setting, unable to receive a family visit for days, perhaps even weeks, before they died, only compounding the grief of those left behind. In many cases too, because of Covid regulations, family members were deprived of the opportunity of a physical leave taking of their deceased loved one, and in those early months, only ten people were allowed attend the funeral. This means that our annual Mass of remembrance for those parishioners who died during the past year will take on an added poignancy this year. It is regrettable that again due to the ongoing pandemic situation, we are unable to invite families of those who died to attend the Mass in person, but we hope that the opportunity to participate at the Mass via webcam will help to bring some healing and comfort. In marking today the Feast of All Saints, we are not just acknowledging those who have been officially recognised by the Church. We are remembering with thanks all those who have modelled for us Christian faith, love, service and hope, and reminding ourselves that we too have the capacity and the calling to become saints.*

### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

We thank parishioners who have been kind enough to drop in their contributions to the **First and Second Collections** and to the **Family Offering** each week. It is greatly appreciated. We also draw parishioners attention to the 'Donate' button, which some parishioners may find an easier way to make their regular contributions, especially during this time of lockdown.

1st Collection €57 2nd Collection € 25 Family Offering €345

Thank you for your generous support!