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Mass Intentions:



Sunday 3/1

11.00am Sr. Edel Lamont (A)
 Mary Hanrahan (A)
 Karina Kelly (1A)
 Nancy Sweeney (R/D)
 Breda Manning (R/D)
 Kitty Quinn (R/D)
 Maria Rodriguez (R/D)
 Joe Redmond (S/I)
 Kathleen O'Connor (S/I)
 Valerie & Noel Cody (S/I)

Monday 4/1

10.00am Julia Finnagan (R/D)
 Oliver Flanagan (R/D)
 Kathleen Dunleavy (R/D)
 Georgina, Tom, Bill & Jimmy Rooney

Tuesday 5/1

10.00am John Doonan (R/D)
 Thomas Hanley (R/D)
 Tosh Kenneth (S/I)
 Joseph Robinson (R/D)

Wednesday 6/1

10.00am Ciss & Jack Grant (A)

Friday 8/1

10.00am Joseph Robinson (R/D)
 Kitty O'Loughlan (R/D)



Mass times

Since 26th December, Sunday and weekday Masses are accessible only on webcam, which is accessed through the front page of the parish website: www.glasnevinparish.ie All Sunday and weekday Masses are recorded for later viewing.

On Wednesday 6th January, **Feast of the Epiphany**, Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am.

Next Sunday 10th January is the **Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**. Normally we would invite those families who have had a child baptised in the past year to attend the 11.00am Mass. Although unable to invite them to join us in person this year, we invite them to join us by webcam for our Mass at 11.00am, at which we will pray especially for them and for all who are preparing for Baptism in the coming year.

We **congratulate** Most Rev. Dermot Farrell, currently Bishop of Ossory, on his appointment as Archbishop of Dublin to succeed Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, and we look forward to welcoming him to the diocese in due course. As well as his experience as Bishop of Ossory for the past two years, Bishop Farrell has also served in parish ministry and as president of the national seminary at Maynooth. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has retired as Archbishop having reached the age of 75 at his last birthday. We are grateful for his dedicated service to the people and priests of the diocese for the past 16 years, during what has been a difficult time for the Church in Dublin and in Ireland, and we wish him happiness in his retirement.

OFFERINGS

We are grateful for the great generosity of parishioners in returning Christmas Offerings, which form a significant part of the annual remuneration of the priests of the parish and of the diocese. We also thank parishioners for your contributions to the **First and Second Collections** and to the **Family Offering**. Parishioners are welcome to avail of the new Tap-and-Go machines at the back of the church to contribute to the Mass collections. We also draw parishioners' attention to the **'Donate'** button on the parish website www.glasnevinparish.ie, which some may prefer to use to make their regular contributions.

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.

Reflection:

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, we might feel that we are only too glad to say goodbye to the year that is drawing to a close. However, as in any year, there is always an invitation to look back in thanksgiving for the blessings of the past year and for what we have learned. It is only on that basis that we can look forward in hope to what the coming year may have to offer.

In his message for the World Day of Peace on 1st January, calling for a new culture of care, Pope Francis writes "The very concept of the person, which originated and developed in Christianity, fosters the pursuit of a fully human development. Person always signifies relationship, not individualism; it affirms inclusion, not exclusion, unique and inviolable dignity, not exploitation". Each human person is an end in himself or herself, and never simply a means to be valued only for his or her usefulness. Persons are created to live together in families, communities and societies, where all are equal in dignity. Human rights derive from this dignity, as do human duties, like the responsibility to welcome and assist the poor, the sick, the excluded, every one of our "neighbours, near or far in space and time".

The author of the Letter to the Ephesians is of similar mind in today's Second Reading. We could make his prayer our own resolution for the coming year: 'May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you.'

Words of Thanks:

Unsure how many parishioners might want to attend Christmas Mass in person, we put on a couple of extra Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. This involved extra work for our sacristans and caretaker, as well as for those who came forward to steward at the different Masses. We wish to express our sincere gratitude to all for their dedicated service at this special time.

We have received numerous comments about how well the church and altar have looked from those dropping in during the day or attending Mass via webcam. We would like to thank all those who have assisted with decorating the church for Advent and Christmas, particularly our sacristy team, as well as those who have donated plants and flowers.



Fr. Richard and Fr. Paul wish everyone a very happy New Year!

1st Collection €450 2nd Collection €300 Family Offering €175 - Thank you for your generous support!