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**Mass Intentions:**



**Sunday 10/1**

**11.00am** Patrick McDonnell (1A)  
Susan Butler (1A)  
Peter Coyne (2A)  
Tom Landers (R/D)  
Brenda O'Byrne (A)  
Bernard Boyle (3A)  
Paul Connaughton (R/D)  
Special Intention

**Monday 11/1**

**10.00am** John Stanford & Josie Moran (A)  
Joseph Robinson (R/D)  
Special Intention

**Tuesday 12/1**

**10.00am** Patricia Lane (A)  
Mary Lane (A)

**Wednesday 13/1**

**10.00am** Special Intentions

**Friday 15/1**

**10.00am** Special Intentions

**Saturday 16/1**

**10.00am** Bernie O'Reilly (Nee Mangan) (R/D)  
Special Intention

Condolences and prayers for the family of Charles Meehan whose funeral took place in Our Lady of Dolours, Friday 8/1 RIP



**Mass times**

Under government current level 5 restrictions, Sunday (11.00am) and weekday Masses (10.00am) are accessible only on webcam, which is accessed through the front page of the parish website: [www.glasnevinparish.ie](http://www.glasnevinparish.ie) All Sunday and weekday Masses are recorded for later viewing. The church remains open each day from 11.00am-5.00pm for private prayer.



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!



This Sunday is the **Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**. Normally we would invite in particular those families who have had a child baptised in the past year to attend this Mass. Although they cannot attend in person this year, we welcome them as they join us by webcam for this Mass, at which we will pray especially for them and for all who are preparing for Baptism in the coming year.

**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 and others visiting the church during the week 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](http://www.glasnevinparish.ie), which some may prefer to use for 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.

The monthly meeting of the parish **Finance Committee** will take place by Zoom on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 6.00pm.

A meeting of the **Glasnevin Grouping Committee** will take place by Zoom at 8.00pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January

**Reflection:** Today's feast, the **Baptism of Our Lord**, brings to a close the Christmas season. More significantly it marks the transition to Jesus' public life, reminding us that the reason we celebrate Christmas is because of who the child in the crib becomes. Mark, the author of the earliest Gospel, begins his account with the baptism of Jesus, which signifies Jesus' readiness to begin his ministry of teaching, healing and proclaiming the Good News of God's kingdom. That readiness comes from a profound experience of God's love: 'You are my Son, the Beloved' and the receiving of the Holy Spirit for that ministry. Our baptism too is an affirmation of God's love for us and a call to know and follow Jesus Christ. Since we are normally baptised as infants, it is parents who help us experience God's love for us. Along with the wider Christian community into which we are baptised, they also help us to discern the movement of God's Spirit in our lives. It is through our response to God's Spirit at work in our lives that we cooperate with Christ in making God's kingdom of justice, love and peace a lived reality.

After the joy of seeing people attending Mass in the weeks leading up to Christmas and on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, it is hard for all of us to return to Mass via webcam only. It is particularly hard for those trying to plan a wedding ceremony, for bereaved families who are informed that only ten people may attend a funeral in person, or indeed for parents trying to organise a baptism. However, we are also conscious of the alarmingly increasing number of Covid 19 cases, and the need to protect all those health care professionals who are under pressure at the front line in hospitals and nursing homes, as well as the need to protect vulnerable parishioners. So we thank God for the wonder of technology, which allows us to attend Mass via webcam or on the telly and to join parish meetings by zoom from the safety and comfort of our own home. If there is any way the parish can assist you at this time, do not hesitate to contact the parish office or sacristy any weekday morning.

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.

**ACCORD Dublin** has a new website. For Sacramental Marriage Preparation Courses or for Marriage and Relationship Counselling please visit [www.accorddublin.ie](http://www.accorddublin.ie)

**Na Fianna Annual Mass** takes place Sunday 10/1 at 4pm via webcam [glasnevinparish.ie](http://glasnevinparish.ie)

**Mass Intentions:** Please note all weekly mass intentions must be booked **no later than** Wednesday of the previous week in order to be included in the mass intentions list and in our newsletter. Mass intentions can be booked by phoning 01-7979153 or 01-8379445 or by emailing [ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com)