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**Mass Intentions:**



**Sunday 16/05**

**11.00am** Janet Bolger (R/D)  
 Philip Egan (A)  
 Peter Egan (A)  
 Special Intentions

**Tuesday 18/5**

**10.00am** John Edwards (R/D)  
 Margaret Hickey (R/D)  
 Michael McBride (R/D)

**Saturday 22/5**

Moira O'Hare (2A)

Thank you!

Now that our Church is re-opened for public worship, the Parish Team would like to thank everyone for your continued support to all of us over the past several months, for the numerous treats sent in, for the beautiful flower donations, for all the prayers and good wishes and for the kind words of encouragement.



**Mass cards/Mass Bouquets** are available to purchase every Monday and Wednesday in the Church from 3.00-4.00pm.

**Cartaí Aifreann** ar fail anois i nGaeilge



The weekly zoom meeting to read and reflect together on the Gospel for the forthcoming Sunday continues each Friday at 7.30pm. It's only 45 mins but is always an engaging and fruitful preparation to hear the Gospel proclaimed on Sunday. If you would like to join in any Friday evening, just give your email address to the Parish secretary and a link to the meeting will be sent to you.

Family Offering Donation € 315 1st Collection €225,  
 Share Collection €160 - thank you for your generous support



**RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES FOR SERVICES**

We look forward to welcoming back parishioners to Mass this Sunday at 11.00am. Since it is almost five months since we gathered in church for Sunday Mass, we would like to remind parishioners of the following guidelines:

\*The church will be divided into two pods, and stewards will be on hand to count parishioners in and guide you where to sit, so that we can maximise the number who can attend while ensuring all safety measures are observed.

\*We ask parishioners to wear a face mask while attending Mass and to sanitise your hands using one of the dispensers available as you enter the church.

\*Holy Communion will be brought to you by the celebrant or an assisting minister.

\*We ask you to follow the guidance of the stewards in exiting the church at the end of Mass.

\*Mass will continue to be streamed on the webcam for those who choose for the moment to continue to participate from at home: [www.glasnevinparish.ie](http://www.glasnevinparish.ie)

The church remains open each day from 11.00am-5.00pm for private prayer.

**Please note:** The Sacristy and Parish Office are currently **closed for access**. If you need to contact either please phone 01-7979153 or 01-8379445 or email any requests for mass intentions, mass cards, baptismal/confirmation certificates etc. to [ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com).

*N.B. 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.*

**New Web Page**

Our new look webcam was launched in recent weeks: [www.glasnevinparish.ie](http://www.glasnevinparish.ie)  
 We encourage you to visit it and hope that you find it much easier to navigate.



We thank parishioners for your generous *Easter Offerings*, which contribute to the remuneration of the priests of the parish and of the diocese. We also thank parishioners for continuing to drop in your contributions to the **First and Second Collections** and to the **Family Offering**. The new combined envelope allows parishioners to indicate how much you would like to contribute to any or each of these collection. If you have not yet received a box and would like to support the parish in this way, please contact Aine in the parish office. Contributions can also be made through the 'Donate' button on the parish website [www.glasnevinparish.ie](http://www.glasnevinparish.ie)



Thanks also to parishioners who have left in contributions to **Trocaire**, and towards our local conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. You can still drop in donations towards either organisation in the coming weeks, and we will make sure to pass them on.

Archbishop Dermot Farrell has established a **Task Force** on a Church for the Dublin Archdiocese of Tomorrow under the title: *Building Hope*. Archbishop Farrell said: *'I am very pleased that the Task Force reflects the diversity of the Archdiocese of Dublin, in terms of geography, expertise and the balance between lay and clerical, and male and female members. The dialogue within the Task Force will stimulate engagement with the whole diocesan family and shape an inclusive approach to a pastoral strategy appropriate to our times.'* The work of the Task Force begins with an assessment of the needs of the people of the Archdiocese emerging from COVID-19 and it hopes to support parish communities to undertake a radical renewal, looking to the future with creativity. The Archbishop has asked the Task Force to present an interim report by the end of June and to conclude its work by the end of the summer.

An online parish resource to accompany families preparing for Confirmation has been prepared by the diocese. It is called **Walking with Families** and consists of 3 zoom sessions, each lasting thirty minutes. The sessions are based on three short videos with the following themes:

- *Strength for the Journey*
- *Gifted by the Spirit*
- *Called by Name*

The sessions are intended to stimulate faith conversation at home between parents and Confirmation candidates and complement school preparation. Training for parish volunteers to deliver the sessions is taking place over the next few weeks.

**FAITHFEST – POWERED BY THE SPIRIT**

Calling all teenagers! Join us for an evening of games, music, workshop, chats and prayer. Faithfest will take place **21 May from 6:30 – 8:30 online**. You can register online using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/ZRLPXhUvSP> **Registration closes on the 13<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm**. For more information email: [st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie)

**Reflection:** In a letter to parishes welcoming the return to public worship this weekend for the first time since Christmas, Archbishop Dermot Farrell acknowledges that what many parishioners lamented during this time was the loss of the community dimension of our faith, and its human dimension. As he puts it: *'There is no Church without community; our humanity is at the heart of our faith. Just as the Saviour is truly human and truly divine, so the People of God need to be in communion with each other, and in communion with their Lord. We don't often reflect on these things; we don't have to. But when they're taken away almost overnight, we naturally wonder what is happening, and what is happening to us. Of course, people were grateful for the televised celebrations, as well as Masses on webcams from churches near and far.....but online Masses and spiritual Communion are only a partial reflection of our common experience of the Church, both past and present. We pray that we will see a full return to public celebration of the Eucharist and of the other sacraments at the earliest possible date'*.

Archbishop Farrell reminds us that for the time being:

The Sunday obligation remains suspended  
 Parishioners might consider joining a weekday celebration of the Eucharist to facilitate those who can only come on Sundays \*

Acknowledging that there may be a certain nervousness about our return to worship this Sunday, and that parishioners have made great sacrifices over the last fifteen months, the Archbishop appeals to all to enter into the spirit of the guidance and public health advice and to pray that all can soon return to the celebration of the Eucharist *"with a purified heart, with a renewed amazement, with an increased desire to meet the Lord, to be with him, to receive him and to bring him to our brothers and sisters with a life full of faith, love and hope"* (Letter to Bishops, Cardinal Robert Sarah).

**ALONE** manage a national **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People** and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the Coronavirus. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line 0818 222 024 is open 7 days a week 8am - 8pm

**Aware - Support & Self Care Groups**

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail. These services provide support, coping skills and information and help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more info about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)