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## **Mass Intentions:**

**Sunday 23/01** 

9.30am Patrick O'Connor (R/D)

11.00am Gerry McGown (MM) Mary O'Connell (1A)

Kate Dempsey (R/D)

Teresa Ryan (A) Patrick Kavanagh (A)

**Monday 24/01** 

10.00am Billy, Bessie & Ann Morrissey (A)

Josephine & James Brady (A)

Tom Flynn (R/D)

Anniversary of foundation of Bons Secours

Sisters

Tuesday 25/01

10.00am Sean Monaghan (2A)

Ann Moloney (8A)

Ann Odlum (A) Special Intention

Wednesday 26/01

10.00am Mary O'Connell (1A)

Sean McGahan (R/D)

Saturday 29/01

**10.00am** Special Intention



Crosscare is working with hundreds of families and children in Dublin who struggle to get basic food supplies. It is often the months after Christmas which many people find challenging. Support our appeal to end food poverty by giving what you can online at www.crosscare.ie/

Family Offering Donation €890 1st Collection € 480 Share € - thank you for your generous support



## **CHURCH OPENING AND MASS TIMES**

- \* There are two Masses each Sunday at 9.30am (as Gaeilge) and 11.00am.
- \* We encourage parishioners and visitors to observe social distancing, to hand sanitise on entering the church and to wear a facemask at Mass.
- \* Any parishioner or visitor experiencing Covid-19 symptoms is asked not to attend Sunday Mass.
- \* Holy Communion should be received in the
- \* The shaking of hands at the sign of peace is discouraged.
- \* 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
- \* The church remains open each daily after mass until 5.00pm for private prayer.

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.



We thank parishioners for your generous contributions to Christmas Offerings, which support 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. We encourage those who no longer use cash to contribute to our collections through the Tap and Go device at the back of the church.

## 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 COVID-19 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.

A meeting of the Parish Jubilee Committee will take place via zoom on Monday 24th January at 7.00pm

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, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/ and all of our services

on www.aware.ie/ If you would like to volunteer with Aware, please see their website for more information: https://www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/

We have been advised to warn parishioners that there are now **double yellow lines** on the road outside the entrance to the church and that if they park their car there while attending Sunday Mass, they risk getting a parking fine. We have taken the matter up with the Gardai but so far efforts at resolving this situation have not been successful.

In order to protect our parish staff at a time when the transmission of the coronavirus is very aggressive, we kindly request parishioners not to enter the parish office or sacristy at this time. If you require anything from the sacristy (ie: Mass card signed), simply knock on the door connecting the sacristy to the church, and a sacristan will attend to you in the church. You can continue to email the parish secretary at ourladyofdoloursparish@gmail.com
The parish office phone (01/8379445) is monitored daily, and calls will be responded to. We thank parishioners for your cooperation with these temporary restrictions.



The Rite of Enrolment for families in our parish preparing for the sacraments of First Communion and First Reconciliation takes place at the 11.00am Mass this Sunday 23rd January. A representative family from each of the schools involved will attend in person, while the majority of the families will participate via webcam.

Reflection: This week, as on many occasions over the past two years, we are hanging on the words of NEPHT and the government to find out what new restrictions have been imposed or indeed relaxed as we adapt to living with the coronavirus and trying to protect one another. This week at least, we are anticipating good news, and people can begin once again to plan visiting one another at home, attending sporting and cultural events, eating out and making holiday plans.

The central defining thing we do as a community of faith is to gather for the celebration of Sunday Mass. A core element of that gathering is the proclamation of the readings from scripture which we believe to be, not just words from the past, but the Word of God addressed to us in our situation today. As the Letter to the Hebrews puts it, 'it cuts more finely than a two edged sword, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart'.

Pope Francis has dedicated this third Sunday of the Year as Sunday of the Word of God, devoted to the celebration, study, and spreading of the Word of God. Each Thursday a group of us meet on zoom at 7.30pm to read and reflect together on the Gospel for the following Sunday. Through sharing on what we have heard, we discern the good news of God's Word for our lives today. The meeting lasts about 40 minutes and is open to anyone. No prior knowledge of scripture is required. If you would like to join any week, just give the parish secretary your email address, and a link will be sent to you.

The second training session for Local Animators who will facilitate the Synodal Pathway at parish level took place this week. It is planned to have two parish gatherings in March as part of our participation in the Synodal process.

Catholic Schools Week is celebrated from 23rd–30th January. The theme for Catholic Schools Week is 'Catholic Schools: Living Life to the Full'. Students from St. Mary's H.F. Secondary School Ember Team will participate in our 11.00am Sunday Mass and also in our weekday Mass on Tuesday. For Catholic Schools Week, Fr Gareth Byrne, Diocesan Moderator and assistant to the Glasnevin Grouping, will celebrate Mass on RTE 1 television on 30 Jan at 11am.