

Month of November

During the month of November, we remember all those who have died in our community, our friends and loved ones - all sharing in common that they died into the arms of our loving God. We pray knowing that you, Lord have carved their names on the palm of your hand.



Parish Lotto

As the lotto Licence is up for renewal we will be pausing the draw until we receive the new licence. We would ask that you **do not send in any envelopes until further notice.**

Society of the St. Vincent De Paul

Church Gate Collection next weekend



12th/13th November is in aid of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul, please be as generous as you can.

The Society is urgently in need of new Members. If you have some time to spare and would be interested in volunteering please contact the Head Office of the Society at 01 8848200.

We welcome in Baptism:

Robyn Anne Keogh
Zita Mary Fitzmaurice

May these newly baptised children always know and love Jesus as their friend.



Recently Deceased:

We remember our friends and loved ones who have recently died in Christ.

Joan Redmond,
Maura O'Connor
Anthony Groves
Michael Phillips

May they enjoy perfect peace and reconciliation in the presence of God.



Reluctant Missionary by Fr. Brendan Cooney

Fr. Brendan Cooney, our former assistant priest, has published a new book called *Reluctant Missionary*. It is now available in the Parish Shop at the introductory price of Euro €10.

Parish Liturgy Team

A meeting of the Liturgy Team will take place on Wednesday, 9th November at 7.30p.m. in the Parish Centre

W.A.R.A.

Whitehall Active Retirement Association next Coffee Afternoon will take place on Monday 14th November at 2.30p.m.

Mass of Remembrance

The annual November Mass of Remembrance will take place on Friday, 25th November at 7.00p.m. in the Church of the Holy Child.



All are welcome

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"God's faithfulness to us endures beyond this life"

6th November 2022

In his television programme *The Meaning of Life* the broadcaster Gay Byrne always asked his guests when they pass away what would they say to God once they arrive in heaven.

In our Gospel reading today, Jesus give us an insight into this question by giving us a brief description the next life. He tells us that:

"The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection, they are sons of God."

The scripture scholar, Father Martin Hogan, describes this passage well when he says that Jesus tells us that *"children of the resurrection will be sons and daughters of God. In other words, we will all be siblings of one heavenly father. Deep personal relationships based on love will endure. In growing closer to God, we grow closer to each other...God's faithfulness*

We continue to keep in our prayers the people of Ukraine

to us endures beyond this life." When speaking on the same theme in 2012, Pope Benedict

XVI said: *"Death opens to life, to eternal life, which is not an infinite duplicate of the present time, but something completely new."*

It is very important at this time of the year that we particularly remember people who have lost a close family member and are especially feeling their loss during the month of November, which the Church dedicates to the faithful departed. During this month, we are placing our dear departed into the loving embrace of God.

In the coming week, may we be more attentive to those who are bereaved around in our families and our communities. It could be the need for friendship or just simply a kind word of support or encouragement. And let us also remember that we can often find

support ourselves with people that are not always the obvious ones that we might not expect to assist us.

Many people choose to commemorate their deceased family and friends by adding their names to the parish Altar List of the Dead. It's an important tradition to maintain every year as those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead are remembered regularly at masses throughout the year. It is a good time to thank Jesus for the gift of so many people in our lives who have gone to their eternal reward. I think of so many people in Donaghmede parish, friends and family members who were so helpful to me during the early years of my ministry, both by what they did what they said, who are now experiencing the joy of what Pope Francis describes as the "embrace of God" in heaven.

Let us ask for the grace in the coming weeks to experience the consolation of God's presence as we reflect on the lives of those who have inspired and helped us in life and are now enjoying the rewards of their goodness with the Risen Lord in heaven. As Jesus reassures us in today's Gospel:

"Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all people are in fact alive."

Father Kieran O'Mahony offers this prayer which we might say from time to time during the month of November: *God of all the living, in the resurrection of Jesus Christ you have given us the life which even death cannot destroy. Remember your unshakable promise and strengthen us to live in this world as your new creation. Amen*

We pray that during the month of November, we will allow time to prayerfully recall our faith departed. Some of us may visit cemeteries, if are able to do so, or we may prefer to light a candle for our departed relatives and friends in the church. It is also a good idea to meet up with family and friends to recall the lives of those who have gone before us who have influenced us in a positive way. Or we may prefer a moment of quiet reflection ourselves.

Gerard Reilly – Permanent Deacon in Malahide and Portmarnock parishes

Sunday 13th November 2022 marks the 6th Annual World Day of the Poor The theme for this day is For your sakes Christ became poor (2 Cor 8:9). With these words, the Apostle Paul addresses the first Christians of Corinth in order to encourage their efforts to show solidarity with their brothers and sisters in need. The World Day of the Poor comes this year as a healthy challenge, helping us to reflect on our style of life and on the many forms of poverty all around us.

Share Appeal Sunday takes place on the weekend of Nov 12/13, highlighting the important work which is funded by the weekly collection.

Mass Intentions for the coming week Church of the Holy Child

Sat 5th Nov	7.00p.m.	Eamonn & Joan McCarton – Anniversaries Eamonn Hughes – Anniversary
Sun 6th Nov	10.30a.m.	Robert Power – Birthday Remembrance Aidan Phillips – Anniversary
	12.30p.m.	Tommy & Josephine Murrans – Anniversary Richard Butler, Margaret Smyth – Anniversaries
Mon 7th Nov	9.15a.m.	Available for Intention
Tues 8th Nov	9.15a.m.	William & Mary O'Brien – Anniversaries Catherine Connolly – Anniversary
Wed 9th Nov	9.15a.m.	Maeve & Harry Power – Anniversaries Carmel Craddock – Anniversary
Thurs 10th Nov	9.15a.m.	Available for Intention
Fri 11th Nov	9.15a.m.	John Towell – Birthday Remembrance
Sat 12th Nov	7.00p.m.	Noel Whitehead – 1st Anniversary Margaret Whitehead – Anniversary Nora O'Hanlon – Birthday Remembrance
Sun 13th Nov	10.30a.m.	Available for Intention
	12.30p.m.	Billy & Marie Fenelon – Anniversaries Michael Lawlor, sons Michael, baby Philip & Granddaughter baby Courtney – Remembrance Rita Phelan – Anniversary Hugh Kelly, Christopher Byrne – Anniversaries

Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball

Sun 6th Nov	10.00a.m.	Seamus Hanley – 1st Anniversary Jim Hayden – Anniversary
Wed 9th Nov	10.00a.m.	Charles E. Maguire – Anniversary
Sun 13th Nov	10.00a.m.	Marie Flood – Anniversary Robert McLoughlin – Anniversary Bernadette Barrett – Anniversary

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