Your contributions last week to support:

- Your priests 1st Collection : €615
- Share 2nd Collection: €502
- Running expenses of the parish (Family Offering / weekly envelope) €1,242

Are you playing your part? Family Offering envelopes / Standing Order forms are available through the parish office.

<u>World Meeting of Families 2018 -</u> <u>Volunteers Needed</u>

World Meeting of Families takes place in Dublin from the 21st to the 26th August 2018. With this in mind the World Meeting of Families team are looking for people to join them. If you can give a little help and support for this wonderful event you can **apply to volunteer** by contacting 01-5676800 email: volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie or go to www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer

Priory Institute Tallaght

The Priory Institute, Tallaght are accepting applications for a two week online Sumer School for those who are interested in exploring the theology behind the Sacraments.

'The Sacraments - *Starting to Think Theologically About These Great Mysteries*'

This online Sumer School consists of a series of ten talks and an online discussion forum by well known theologian, Fr. Liam Walsh OP. The course is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online and is available to start on July 10th. No previous knowledge of theology is required. The application deadline is July 6th.

Tel: 01-4048124 Email: summer.school@prioryinstitute.com www.prioryinstitute.com

Peter's Pence Collection

The annual collection of 'Peter's Pence' to support Pope Francis' Pontifical Charities will be taken up at all Masses **next weekend**, **1st/2nd July**. It will replace the usual Share (2nd) collection. Please support as generously as you can. Thank you.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place on Fridays after the 10am Mass until 3pm. All are welcome to come and spend some time in quiet prayer and reflection.

Tallaght Lions Club Spectacles Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has donated spectacles to date for the Tallaght Lions Club Appeal. If you have any old spectacles lying around the house that you no longer need there is still time to drop them in (box located in the centre porch of St. Mark's Church). All donated glasses will be sent on by the Lions Club to people in developing countries. This is an opportunity to part with those glasses you no longer need (NO CASES PLEASE).

The Vine Mass Team Presents in Collaboration with St. Mark's World Youth Day Team Movies with Meaning

Sunday, 9th July at 7pm in The Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn

This month's movie is **'Judas'** - a look at the man chosen to betray Jesus

Movie is FREE - Light Refreshments Provided All Welcome

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LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2017

We are still taking bookings for our annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. The pilgrimage takes place from the **18th - 23rd August** and we will be staying once again at the Hotel Saint Sauveur which is very close to the grotto. The cost is €699 per person sharing (full board). A non-refundable deposit of €200 is required to secure a place. The balance can be paid in instalments over the next few weeks. If you wish to book please call in to Sylvia in the parish office after 12.30 Mass on Sunday or any weekday morning from June 19th (office closed next week).

Rally for Life 2017

There will be a group leaving from St. Mark's Church car park at 12 noon to travel to Parnell Square by Luas next Saturday, 1st July. Join us as we meet up with many others from all around the country. Suporting and cherishing life in the womb and beyond.

Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn

The last Vine Mass before the Summer break will be celebrated with Bishop Eamonn Walsh next **Saturday**, **1st July at 7pm**. Mass will be followed by light refreshments. All Welcome.

Exploring the Bible

and its meaning in our lives -

<u>Mondays</u> - 7.30pm - 8.30pm

in Shalom (Beside St. Mark's Church). ALL WELCOME!

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of Michelle Hewitt, Patrick Dargle, Denise Brennan, Desmond Hayden and Sandra Hooper whose funerals took place recently in our parish. May they rest in peace.

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY INTO OUR COMMUNITY OF SAINT MARK Willow-Rose Margaret Dowling Fitzsimons Kiera Alex Doyle Rosanna Grace Moore	BOOKINGS FOR BAPTISMS: Bookings for baptisms take place in the parish office (church porch) Mon to Fri– 10.30am -12.30 pm, tel: 4620777. <u>Three month's notice is</u> required. Baptisms take place: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in St. Mark's Church at 1.30pm.
We welcome you as our brothers and sisters in Christ.	<u>MASS TIMES THIS WEEK</u> <u>St. Mark's Church</u> Monday - Friday: 10am
WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:	
Denise Brennan, Desmond Hayden, Sandra Hooper, Olive Kennedy and Sheila Rowe who died recently	<u>WEEKEND MASSES</u> <u>St. Mark's Parish Church</u> Saturday: Vigil - 6.30pm
ANNIVERSARIES	Sunday: 12.30pm
Anne and James Darcy Albert Timmons Edward Walsh (1st Anniversary) Sonny Graham Maura Jeffers Anthony Hayes (1st Anniversary) Seamus O'Reilly (Birthday Remembrance) Michael and Margaret Kavanagh and their deceased relatives	1st Sunday of the month: 12.30pm - Family (Children's) Mass (St. Mark's Youth Choir - 12.30 Mass 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month) <u>Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn</u> Sunday: 10.00am Last Sunday of the month: 10am - Family (Children's) Mass
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE	<u>1st Saturday of the month:</u> Vine Mass (Taize style): 7.00pm <u>Confessions</u> 6pm - 6.20pm on Saturdays (subject to availability of a priest)

25th June 2017 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Fr. Chris Derwin 70 Maplewood Rd. Tel. 089 4655775

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087 1092426 (emergencies only, when above contacts are unavailable)

Today's Gospel is an affirmation for all those who feel persecuted in any way because of their beliefs or because people are speaking badly about them, or those who feel alienated from their community, their family or even from God. During such times it can be extremely lonely to the point where one can lose their sense of purpose in this world. While we might not want to shout from the rooftops, as Jesus suggests, there is a message here to speak out, to talk it out. Today, spend time on the beautiful words of Jesus in this Gospel - 'Even the hairs of your head are all counted, so do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows!' The sparrow, one of the smallest of birds is created for and loved by God. This is a reminder that no matter how insignificant we might feel or how challenging the circumstances get, God is with us, each of us. Once again, we are being told how sacred each and every person is and how much we are loved by God. In his eyes, each of us are precious. Today, recall the times or places where you felt God's supporting presence.

The Deep End - Even the Hairs of you Head are Counted

'When we travel through those wilderness places of our lives where we feel lost, insecure, lonely, frustrated, discouraged, or overcome by busyness: Help us to trust in you, God of the journey. When we catch glimpses of the tremendous love you have for us and experience a deep, loving connection with others: Help us to trust in you, God of the journey.'

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