Your contributions last week to support:

- Your priests 1st Collection : €846
- Share 2nd Collection: €727
- Running expenses of the parish (Family Offering / Weekly Envelope €1,413

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

The Vine Mass Team Presents

in Collaboration with St. Mark's World Youth Day Team

Movies with Meaning

This Sunday, 10th December at 7.30pm in the

Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn

this month's movie is

'The Christmas Tree' A touching story to get us in the festive mood Movie is FREE -Light Refreshments Provided - All Welcome

Crosscare Christmas Food Appeal

A big thank you to all who have given in donations of food/hygiene products over the past week for the Christmas Appeal for Crosscare Food Banks. Donations of non-perishable food and / or hygiene items can still be left in over the next week. Donations will be passed on to the Crosscare Outreach Centre in Jobstown who will distribute food parcels to needy families in our community before Christmas.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of Wayne Maguire and May (Mary) Doyle whose funerals took place this week in our parish. May they rest in peace. Wall of Remembrance

If you would like a deceased loved one remembered at Mass this Christmas please leave their name/s into the parish office over the next couple of weeks. The names will be put up on our Wall of Remembrance.

Eucharistic Adoration

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

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!

Christmas Bingo Fundraiser - Thank you

Thank you to everyone who supported last Thursday's bingo fundraiser in St. Mark's G.A.A. Club. Proceeds from the night amount to , with St. Mark's Parish and St. Mark's G.A.A. Club each receiving €1,900.

<u>Fun Quiz</u>

There will be a **Fun Quiz** in St. Mark's G.A.A. Club next **Friday, 15th December at 8.30pm** in aid of **Tallaght Homeless - €5 per person** - Novelty prizes for Best Christmas Dress. Please support if you can.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Monday, 11th of December, from 7.30pm to 9pm in the Maldron Hotel, Tallaght.

This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death,

or whether the death was recent or not. For more information visit our website: www.anamcara.ie or phone 01-4045378.

St. Vincent de Paul - ANNUAL APPEAL

The Annual Collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. It will replace the Share (2nd) collection. This collection is essential to the work of the Society in order to reach out and help as many families as possible in our parish who may be going through difficult times. Your support and generosity will be greatly appreciated.

Catholic Charismatic Conference

And Healing Service

Saturday, 16th December - 9am - 4pm in

St. Mary's Priory, Tallaght Village

Led by Fr. Pat Collins and Fr. Soji Olikkal (Founder and director of Sehion UK)

For more information contact: Antony: 087-0698898 or Ann: 085-7340862

"But you will receive the power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses from Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth" - (Acts 1:8)

Road Volunteers Needed

Thank you to everyone who took a Christmas pack to deliver over the last couple of weeks. However, there are still a number of roads that we need collectors for. The packs are available at the back of the church. Your help and support will be very much appreciated.

Church Art calendars for 2018 are on sale in the parish office @ €2 each. The shop/office is open Monday to Friday, from 10.30am to 12.30pm.



WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Wayne Maguire, May (Mary) Doyle, Winnie Keevey, Doug and Lily Alexander, Doug Jnr. and Stephen Alexander who died recently

ANNIVERSARIES

Frances Heeney James Mulhall Rose, Nita and Nan Reilly Anne Kerr Fred Cowzer Patrick Hogan Abbey McGuinness (1st Anniversary) Francis McGuinness Stephanie Watts Patrick Watts Patrick Hogan (25th Anniversary) Thomas and Anna Kavanagh and their deceased relatives

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

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</u> is required. Baptisms take place: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in St. Mark's Church at 1.30pm.

<u>MASS TIMES THIS WEEK</u> <u>St. Mark's Church</u> Monday - Friday: 10am

WEEKEND MASSES

<u>St. Mark's Parish Church</u> Saturday: Vigil - 6.30pm

Sunday: 12.30pm

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,</u> <u>Fettercairn</u>

Sunday: 10.00am

Last Sunday of the month: 10am -Family (Children's) Mass

<u>1st Saturday</u> of the month: Vine Mass (Taize style): 7.00pm

<u>Confessions</u> 6pm - 6.20pm on Saturdays (subject to availability of a priest)

10th December 2017 - Second Sunday of Advent



Fr. Pat McKinley 68 Maplewood Rd. Tel. 451 3109

Fr. Jimmy McPartland Brookfield Rev. Bill O'Shaughnessy

70 Maplewood Rd. Tel. 4590746

Parish Office Monday to Friday 10.30 – 12.30pm

Tel: 462 0777

Duty Phone

087 4652258 (emergencies only, when above contacts are unavailable)

CHURCH - A HOSPITAL FOR SINNERS

Christmas Reconciliation Service

While Christmas brings its own stresses and strains for many people it is also a time where people take the opportunity to make new beginnings in damaged relationships. It can be a time of great healing between people and families. This is also true of our relationship with God. The birth of Jesus, Eammanuel, reminds us that God is with us in all the beauty and brokenness of our lives.

We live in a rapidly changing world and a rapidly changing Church which brings its own opportunities and challenges. This year we have the opportunity to explore a new way to be Church together in the area of reconciliation. We will have one Reconciliation Service this year for our Tallaght Deanery (10 parishes). It promises to be a beautiful evening of reflection and healing. Priests from each of the ten parishes in our deanery will be present.

There will be <u>NO</u> Reconciliation Service in individual parishes this year. We are combining resources to have one quality liturgy. This is an act of communion, of working more closely together in new ways, to encourage and support one another in faith, hope and love. This new arrangement at deanery level is a response to the increasing demands and diminishing resources among priests and parish communities.

Do join us in this golden opportunity for healing, prayer and reconciliation.

Where: St. Mary's Priory, Tallaght Village When: Wednesday, 13th December at 7.30pm

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