Your contributions last week to support:

- Your priests 1st Collection : €670
- Share 2nd Collection: €555
- Running Expenses of the Parish (Family offering/weekly envelope: €1,118

#### MONSTER CHRISTMAS BINGO

Our Monster Christmas Bingo will take place in St. Mark's G.A.A. Club on Thursday,

December 6th at 8.45pm sharp. There will be spot prizes and big cash prizes to be won. Large books are €20 (including jackpot sheets) and small books are €10 (including jackpot sheets).

Proceeds will be shared between St. Mark's Parish and St. Mark's G.A.A. Club. Please come along and support if you can. Thank you.

### **CROSSCARE Christmas Food Appeal**

Archbishop Martin is once again seeking support for a Parish Food Appeal to support the work of Crosscare Foodbanks. We are asking everyone who can afford it to bring non-perishable food items to Mass next weekend and the following weekend only. This will allow them to distribute hampers in good time for Christmas to the many families in our community who need them. Your donations will be passed on to the Crosscare Outreach Centre in Jobstown for distribution. Types of food urgently needed include soups, tinned meats, seasonal biscuits, tinned veg./ fruit, tea/coffee, pasta, rice, sugar, powered milk, festive foods, etc. Hygiene products, shampoo, etc. are also very welcome. Crosscare work with many individuals and families who are struggling to make ends meet. The Food Banks provide essential food and household items. Please support if you can. Thank you.

Please Note: The parish office will be closed for one week, from next Wednesday,
28th November. The office will re-open on Wednesday, 5th December at 10.30am.

### Volunteers - Thank you

Thank you to everyone who helped to distribute the Christmas information and parish calendars. Your support is greatly appreciated. There are just a few packs left for the following roads: Birchwood Close, Maplewood Park, Alderwood Drive and Green. We would be very grateful for just a few more volunteers. The packs need to be delivered by the end of November as the Carol Service in St. Mark's Church takes place on the 2nd December.

## **Family Mass**

Our monthly Family Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday**, **2nd December**, at **12.30**. Families with children are especially welcome.

A Mass for deceased members of St. Mark's G.A.A. Club will be celebrated on Tuesday, 27th November, at 7.30pm in St. Mark's G.A.A. Club. All are welcome.

#### Church of the Incarnation, Fettercairn

The monthly Vine Mass will be celebrated with our good friend Fr. Bryan Shortall at **7pm on Saturday, April 1st** in Fettercairn Church. Followed by refreshments.

All are most welcome

There will be a collection at the Mass for Brother Kevin's Homeless Appeal. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

# **Brookfield Christmas Raffle**

Brookfield are holding a Christmas raffle on **Sunday**, **December 16th** to raise much needed funds for their parish. If anyone wishes to donate any unwanted gifts for the raffle, they can be left into the sacristy or parish office and Fr. Pat or Fr. Bill will bring them over to Brookfield Church. Tickets can be bought in St. Mark's parish office 1 ticket €3 or 5 tickets for €10. If anyone can take some to sell they will be very grateful, just call into Marian in the parish office.

### **Church Gate Collection**

There will be a Church Gate Collection this weekend to help raise funds for **St. Mark's Senior Citizen's Club**. Please support if you can.

A Christmas Sing-a-long will take place in the Parish Centre of St. Maelruain's Church of Ireland, Tallaght Village on Friday, 30th November at 7pm.

There will be lots going on with Carols, Christmas Songs, Raffle, Gift Stall, Wine, Tea/Coffee and Mince Pies.

The evening will feature: Parish Group Music, 'Now and Then', ICA Choir, DAMS Men's Choir (Dominican Active Men's Social)
All are welcome for a festive evening of song.

Eucharistic Adoration - Eucharistic Adoration take place on Fridays after 10am Mass until 3pm. All are welcome to come along and spend a little of that time in quiet prayer and reflection.

Exploring the Bible and its meaning in our lives - Mondays - 7.30pm - 8.30pm in Shalom (beside St. Mark's Church). All welcome.

Christmas Cards (Divine Word Missionaries) are on sale in the parish office/shop. The cost is €6 per pack of 12 cards. We also have Church Art calendars for 2019 @ €2 each. The shop/office is open Monday to Friday, from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

Sponsored Walk - Parishioner, John Caffrey, is doing a 25k moonlight walk with a 1,000m climb this weekend to raise funds for the Vine Group 'Help us to Help Others' campaign. There is a sponsor card in the sacristy or parish office if you wish to sponsor John. The walk takes in Glendassin Valley, Brochagh Mountain, Paddock Hill, Avonmore Way, ending in Glendalough via Derrybawn Mountain.



# WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THE **FOLLOWING:**

# **ANNIVERSARIES**

Robert O'Hara **Brendan Halpin** Deceased members of the O'Callaghan Family Patrick Talbot (Month's Mind) Anna Cummins (Month's Mind) Joe and Ita Lyons **Christopher Byrne Noel Lane Margaret Merriman Brian McDonald (5th Anniversary) Frank Scullion Roddy Teehan** James McLaughlin **Francis and Bridget Carron** 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. Three month's notice is required. Baptisms take place: 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in St. Mark's Church at 1.30pm.

### MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

St. Mark's Church

Monday - Friday: 10am

### WEEKEND MASSES

St. Mark's Parish Church

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)

# Church of the Incarnation, **Fettercairn**

Sunday: 10.00am

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

1st Saturday of the month:

Vine Mass (Taize style): 7.00pm

### **Confessions**

6pm - 6.20pm on Saturdays (subject to availability of a priest

### 25th November 2018 - Feast of Christ the King



Fr. Pat McKinlev

68 Maplewood Rd Tel. 451 3109

### Fr. Bill O'Shaughnessy

70 Maplewood Rd. Tel. 4590746

### Fr. Martin Hughes

C/o Parish Office

#### Parish Office

Monday to Friday 10.30 - 12.30pm Tel: 462 0777

### **Duty Phone**

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

# The Deep End - 'So You are a King?

Today is the Feast of Christ the King and this Gospel certainly gives us an opportunity to lay aside a lot of cultural baggage we may have about kings, leaders and kingdoms. The Jewish leaders want Jesus executed and so they bring him to Pilate who engages in a debate with Jesus on 'kingship'. Jesus is accused of claiming to be a 'king' and this passage plays on both the political and religious meaning of that word. Pilate is concerned with whether or not Jesus poses a threat to Roman rule, while the Jewish religious leaders are worried about the type of 'Messiah king' Jesus claims to be. Through his ministry Jesus has shown them that His kingdom is unlike the one that Pilate, or many other earthly leaders know. It is a kingdom built on love, service, justice, reconciliation and peace. Few 'kings' can measure up to this. Jesus is a servant King, a beacon of light for today's world. Who do you know in our world today who is the more living example of this type of kingship? When you look at the world's political leaders, do they shine like a beacon light striving foe peace, justice and care for the earth? On this Feast of Christ the King we celebrate a type of kingship that is a display of radical love. What a different world we would have if all those who hold power and authority led in such a way. Let us pray today that all leaders will be open to listening to the Spirit and strive for a more just world.

Jane Mellett

We invite you to join us for our INTERNATIONAL CAROL SERVICE

# in St. Mark's Church, Springfield after 12.30pm Mass (1.15 -1.30pm approx.) on Sunday, 2nd December.

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Choirs representing India, The Philippines, Africa, Ireland, etc. will participate. t will be followed by light refreshments at the back of the church. All are very welcome to come along to this festive event.

#### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

A Service Of Reconciliation will take place in St. Mary's Priory Church, Tallaght Village on Wednesday, December 12th at 7.30pm. All are welcome