

Your contributions last week to support:

- Your priests - 1st Collection : **€854**
- St. Vincent de Paul Annual Appeal - 2nd Collection: To be confirmed next week
- Running Expenses of the Parish (Family offering/weekly envelope: **€1,370**

Are you playing your part?

Family Offering envelopes / Standing Order forms are available through the parish office.

Poinsettia - In Remembrance

You are invited to bring a **red poinsettia** plant to the church for Christmas, in remembrance of a loved one who died recently or long ago. The plants will form part of the decoration of the church. **Plants can be left into the sacristy or parish office during the coming week.**

Ecumenical Carol Service - 'Cloth for the Cradle'

An Ecumenical Carol Service will be celebrated in **An Solas Methodist Church, Jobstown** (beside An Solas) **this Sunday, 16th December at 4.00pm** with local choir and visiting musicians and singers. Beautiful carols, two faith communities meeting up, tasty refreshments and non-alcoholic mulled wine afterwards! All are Welcome

Exploring the Bible

and its meaning in our lives -

Mondays - 7.30pm - 8.30pm in Shalom (beside St. Mark's Church). All welcome.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Sammy Duncan whose funeral Mass took place in our parish this week.
May he rest in peace.

St. Vincent de Paul - THANK YOU

Thank You to everyone who contributed to last week's annual collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The total amount collected will be announced next week.

Do You Remember the

MOVING CRIB?

42 Parnell Square w, Dublin 1

OPEN EVERY DAY UNTIL JANUARY 6TH

11am - 6pm

closed 25th, 26th December and 1st January

GROUPS MUST PRE BOOK

Individuals and Families do NOT need to book

tel. (01) 874 5465 www.stmartin.ie/crib

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 by next **Wednesday, 19th December, at the latest.** The names will be put up on our Wall of Remembrance.

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.

Memorial Cards

To avoid loss, please collect Memorial Cards that were on the Cross for November from the parish office during the coming week. Thank you.

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.

Blue Christmas

Christmas is traditionally the season of joy and goodwill but, for many, it is also a painful time. It may be the first Christmas without someone you love; it may be a time when you feel alone or caught up in a difficult relationship. To all who struggle at this time

of year, we invite you to join us on Friday, 21st December - the longest day of the year - as we take time and space to acknowledge our sadness, as we come together with others who are also struggling and as we turn, in an atmosphere of quiet prayer, to the God who loves us and walks with us.

To Him we bring all the feelings of loss, anger, heartbreak and despair which flood our hearts and threaten to overwhelm us. In the midst of our pain, we have this comfort: we are not alone.

The Prayer Service will take place in St. Thomas' Church, Jobstown, at 7.30pm on Friday 21st December. It will be followed by tea/coffee and Refreshments. All are welcome to come along.

The people who walk in darkness have seen a great light

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent Church Gate Collection for St. Mark's Senior Citizens' Group. The amount collected was **€524.93.**

Christmas Arrangements

There are spare copies of the Christmas timetable available at the back of the church for anyone who may have mislaid theirs.



WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Sammy Duncan who died recently

ANNIVERSARIES

Teresa Doyle

Joseph Kelly

Paddy Flood

Fred Cowzer

Seán Culleton (Birthday Remembrance)

Elizabeth Ormond

Anne Kerr

Luke and Imelda Doolin

John and Mary Nugent

Teresa and Albert O'Callaghan

Peter Doolin

Bridie and Ann Malone

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

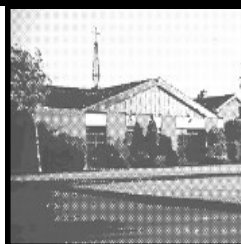
1st Saturday of the month:

Vine Mass (Taize style): 7.00pm

Confessions

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

16th December 2018 - Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday



Fr. Pat McKinley

68 Maplewood Rd.

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Fr. Bill O'Shaughnessy

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Fr. Martin Hughes

C/o Parish Office

Parish Office

Monday to Friday

10.30 - 12.30pm

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Duty Phone

087 4652258

(emergencies only,
when above contacts
are unavailable)

TRÓCAIRE GIFTS OF LOVE

If you want to help make the world a better place this Christmas. If you want to give a gift that shows how much you care... then please, give a Trócaire Gift of Love. Together we can help people improve their lives, escape poverty and look forward to a brighter better future.

To help with this idea we have 'Gifts of Love' in various price ranges displayed on the table near Our Lady's shrine in St. Mark's Church. There will be someone there after Mass to assist you if you wish to buy one of these gifts for a loved one or for yourself.

How it works: Select the gift you want to buy from those displayed on the table. You will get a beautiful card to give to someone or keep for yourself, showing the Gift of Love you've chosen. Your Gift of Love is sourced in the country where it's needed, so it supports local business and a family in need receives the gift, helping them to change their lives.

The following are the some of the gifts on offer:

For the Farm:

Send some chicks. Your gift of a chick will grow up to provide nutritious food for families in Ethiopia and Kenya - €8

Make a garden grow - Gift of Seeds and Tools - €15

Give a goat . A goat will grow up to produce 4 litres of milk a day and grow up to have baby goats of her own- €50

Gift of a Beehive. In drought stricken Kenya, a beehive is a lifesaving alternative to farming - €65

Ox Plough and Farming Tools Gift - €200

Education:

Gift of a Solar Lamp for safe clean light in the evenings for cooking, homework and chores - €15

Gift of School Lunches will give four children a hot lunch every day for a month - €20

Gift of a School Kit will send a child to school, pay for school fees, teachers salaries, and books and pencils to - €30

Other Gifts: Gift of Help for Grandparents who often have to step in when children are orphaned due to illness, accident or war - €50

Gift of Water. Dirty water can kill a child in a few short hours but your gift will go on saving lives for years.

Check out the many gifts on offer on the table in the church.