



DONNYBROOK PARISH
CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
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Church Notices

Saturday 23rd / Sunday 24th January 2016

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST COLLECTION is for the support of priests. The **SECOND COLLECTION** is for SHARE, the diocesan fund for development, the provision of central pastoral and administrative services.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL wishes to again thank all parishioners for your contributions of €38,555 for their Annual Christmas Collection. SVP appreciate your support greatly!

FAMILY MASS 10:30am – 24th January The Family Mass Committee are holding a Parish get-together after the 10:30am Mass this Sunday in the Parish Centre. There will be tea/coffee and biscuits for the adults and juice and buns for the children. All welcome - *please come along!*

ALTAR SERVERS Would you like to be an Altar Server? Altar Serving is open to Boys and Girls aged 8 – 15. Introductory Meeting will take place on Sun 31st Jan – see posters on notice boards.

CONSECRATED LIFE – MOUNT MERRION A service to conclude the Year for Consecrated Life will take place in the Church of St. Therese, Mount Merrion on Tuesday, 2nd February at 7:30pm.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2016 The *Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick* is on Sunday 7th February at 3:00 pm in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Merrion Road.

AN GARDA SIOCHANA may be outside after mass to hand out leaflets regarding crime prevention.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2016: Catholic Schools Week will run from Sunday 31st January to Saturday 6th February. The theme for 2016 is 'Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy'. A Mass will also be broadcast by RTÉ on Sunday 31 January to celebrate both Catholic Schools Week and the new *Grow in Love* religious education programme for primary schools. This year the Teresian School are hosting an event for the post primary schools in the area.

ANNUAL CLOTHING APPEAL: (Society of St Vincent de Paul) for clean, good-quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc: *Special plastic bags are available at the back of the church this weekend and WILL BE COLLECTED AFTER NEXT SATURDAY VIGIL MASS AND SUNDAY MORNING MASSES ONLY (30th & 31st Jan).*

WEEKLY PARISH MAINTENANCE ENVELOPES are available for collection in the Sacristy after all Masses and also from the Parish Office during the week 9am – 1pm. If anyone can help deliver to the housebound please see Tony in the Sacristy after Masses.

FEASTS THIS WEEK

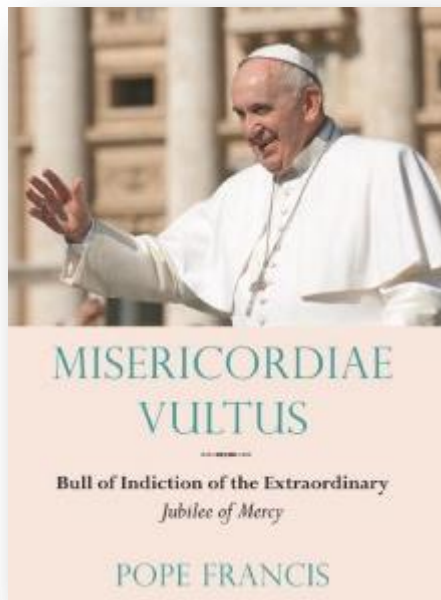
- The Conversion of St Paul (Mon, 25th)
- Ss Timothy and Titus (Tue, 26th)
- St Thomas Aquinas, priest and Doctor of the Church (Thurs, 28th)
- St Aidan, bishop (Sat, 30th)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- 6:00pm Vigil: James Webb (*Anniversary*)
- 9:00am: Teresa Colgan (*Anniversary*)
- 10:30am: James and Eunice D'Arcy (*Anniversaries*)
- 12:00pm: Dr Mary Smith (*Anniversary*)
- 5:30pm: Kay Green (*Anniversary*)

Also: Geraldine Keohane, Florence Gleeson, Tom Woods, Patrick Bourke, George Plunkett, Dymphna Frame, Patrick Byrne, Christine Doyle, Catherine Breen, Mary Moorhouse (*Anniversaries*) and Anne Coughlan (*Recently Deceased*)

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4. I will open the Holy Door on the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council. The Church feels a great need to keep this event alive. With the Council, the Church entered a new phase of her history. The Council Fathers strongly perceived, as a true breath of the Holy Spirit, a need to talk about God to men and women of their time in a more accessible way. The walls which for too long had made the Church a kind of fortress were torn down and the time had come to proclaim the Gospel in a new way. It was a new phase of the beginning. It was a fresh undertaking for all Christians to bear witness to their faith with greater enthusiasm and conviction. The Church sensed a responsibility to be a living sign of the Father's love in the world.

We recall the poignant words of St John XXIII when, opening the Council, he indicated the path to follow: 'Now the Bride of Christ wishes to use the medicine of mercy rather than taking up arms of severity... The Catholic Church, as she holds high the torch of Catholic truth at this Ecumenical Council, wants to show herself a loving mother to all; patient, kind, moved by compassion and goodness toward her separated children'.