

Church Notices

Saturday 21st / Sunday 22nd July 2018

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<u>FIRST COLLECTION</u> is for the support of priests of this parish, shared with the priests of the Diocese through the Common Fund. The <u>SECOND COLLECTION</u> is for SHARE, the diocesan fund for development, the provision of central pastoral and administrative services.

FIRST AND SECOND COLLECTIONS - ENVELOPES Again, many thanks to those who signed up to receive the Church collections envelopes. There are a number of envelopes to be collected from the Sacristy and if anyone still wishes to sign up, please pick up a yellow register form from the main Church doors and leave into the Sacristy or you can sign up during the week in the Parish Office.

<u>W.M.O.F. PAPAL MASS - VOLUNTEERS</u> The World Meeting of Families Committee are looking for Ministers of the Eucharist and Stewards for the Papal Mass on Sunday 26th August. Please see overleaf for more information and how to sign up/...

<u>PATHWAYS – EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY</u> If you are willing to listen to the experience of others, have a desire to explore your faith and an interest in new ideas.... Then Pathways might be the course for you! See Notice Board for further information.

<u>HANDEL'S SAUL</u> is showing at the Movies - Dundrum on Thursday, 26th July at 6:30pm in a spectacular opera from Glyndebourne (5 Stars - Daily Telegraph). Well worth seeing! https://www.glyndebourne.com/tickets-and-whats-on/events/2018/watch-saul/ for more information.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS:

- Last weekend contributions in the amount of €1,680 were received towards CONCERN WORLDWIDE. Many thanks for your support.
- Collection (Sunflower Days) on behalf of Our Lady's Hospice and Care Service which took place on 10th June last, raised €1,502 in contributions, many thanks.

FEASTS THIS WEEK:

- ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, RELIGIOUS, PATRON OF EUROPE (Mon, 23rd)
- ST JAMES, APOSTLE (Wed, 25th)
- Ss Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Thurs, 26th)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Jacqueline Armstrong and Peggie Curran RIP

• 6:00pm: John Blayney (Months Mind)

9:00am: Pat Reynolds RIP10:30am: Gerald Hyland RIP

• 5:30pm: Frank Kelly (Anniversary)

Also: Richard Clarke, Teresa Doyle, James and Anne Ward (Anniversaries)



Be part of the distribution of Holy Communion team at the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park on Sunday August 26th

In the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 14:13-21, we read how Jesus fed the five thousand. Jesus "blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds." It looks likely that we will have as many as 500,000 present for the final Mass of the World Meeting of Families 2018 at which Pope Francis will be our principal celebrant.

We are seeking the generous help of around 4,000 ministers of Holy Communion to volunteer for one day to be Christ's disciples helping to give the Bread of Life to the people at this historic Papal Mass. This is open to any of those who are already trained and assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion in their own parishes. We are looking for the help of lay people, priests, deacons and religious Ministers of Holy Communion.

Those volunteering need to be already trained and functioning ministers of Holy Communion in your own parish community. You will need to be steady on your feet. Although there will be some plastic tracking laid down, much of the distribution will be done in the grassy corrals of the Phoenix Park Papal Mass site. You will need to be garda vetted for this event, even though you have been vetted for this ministry in your own parish [if you are already Garda vetted for WMOF2018, that suffices].

You will **need to be in the Phoenix Park by 10:30AM on SUNDAY 26**th **August** so as to be walked through how and where you will minister. It may not be possible for you to be assigned to minister in the place where your family or fellow parishioners are situated, but we hope this won't put you off generously stepping up to help with this important task. And we will do our best to keep parish groups working together.

For many months we have been making preparations. We have 4,500 ciboria (patens for the communion hosts) newly made and well over half a million hosts available to us, thanks to the generosity of the Redemptoristine Sisters of St Alphonsus' Monastery, Dublin 9 and the Cistercian Sisters from Glencairn, Co Waterford.

The first main block of the faithful (around 78,000 people) will receive the blessed Eucharist directly from the sanctuary area. For the remainder of the people, who will be in corrals of around 1,400 people, we will have 16 'subchapels' positioned beside large video screens from which we will co-ordinate distribution to every other sector. We will assign a team of 9 people to each corral. 8 people will distribute Holy Communion, in twos, in each of the four corners of the corral, with each Communion point being marked by a white umbrella. Those who are unable to receive an ordinary Communion host can be reassured that one minister will be assigned to the centre of each corral to distribute only Low Gluten hosts. That point will be indicated by a red umbrella.

In that Gospel of Matthew we hear also how Jesus' disciples carefully "took up what was left over of the broken pieces". It is our hope that we will be able to distribute whatever Holy Communion is left over from the Papal Mass to hospitals and nursing homes all over the island, so that those who weren't able to be present and who followed the Mass on television can receive from this tremendous event.

Papal Mass Stewards – volunteers needed too for Sunday 26th August. Please apply online.

To Volunteer to be a Minister of Holy Communion at the Papal Mass click here: https://app.betterimpact.com/Application?OrganizationGuid=2a37d139-c5c6-49ee-b672-e301a544ac55&ApplicationFormNumber=3