MASS IN ST TERESA'S

As you know, in compliance with government restrictions on movement and gathering, the Dublin Archdiocese has decided that it will not be possible to continue with public Sunday or Weekday Masses until further notice. In the meantime as a faith community we remain in spiritual communion with one another and with God.

PARISH COMMITTEES

The Parish Team and the Committees (PPC, Liturgy, & Finance) are continuing their work on behalf of the parish via e-mail, phone and other social media.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The 26th of April is not now possible for the celebration of First Holy Communion as planned. We wait for a government decision on lifting restrictions to make alternative arrangements. Parents received information on the WhatsApp group and the children received some material for home preparation.

<u>FUNERALS:</u> Because of these restrictions, attendance at funerals is limited to immediate family (max. 10) only. Please contact the funeral director for details. Families may wish to plan a fuller celebration at a later date.

BAPTISMS are also postponed until further notice. Those who have planned baptisms for May will be contacted soon.

A Notice from TRÓCAIRE

"This time of the year, we would usually get back tens of thousands of boxes but that will not be possible this year, at a time when the developing world needs our help the most. If you can, please donate online or over the phone. Please do hold onto your boxes until further notice and we will be in contact about how to return them when it will be safe for people to do so."

If you wish to drop any into the parish house, we will lodge them directly to Trocaire on your behalf.

1st FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS IN MAY

Due to the restrictions, home visits are not possible at the moment. Contact will be made by phone.

DONATE BUTTON CHURCH COLLECTIONS

With no public masses, the first and SHARE collections for the Dublin Diocese do not happen. These are the funds for salaries, nursing home care for priests, solidarity in the diocese and the wider needs of the diocese in general. If it is at all possible for you to do so, the Diocese asks for donations to this fund on-line using a 'DONATE' button on the front page of the Dublin Diocese website.

CHURCH GUIDE ST. TERESA

1 copy for 10 Euro/2 copies for 15 Euro. Ring the parish house to arrange for a copy. **THANK YOU!** The Parish Team & Marist Community would like to thank everyone who contacted us to wish us well and to ask how we are doing. That is great support.

<u>**THANK YOU!</u>** For all donations (Envelopes, shrines, once-off donations).</u>

THANK YOU! We here about much mutual help in the neighbourhoods of the parish area. Support being offered in so many different ways. Great! Please pick up the phone if you are in need.

OPENING HOURS OF THE CHURCH

In as much as possible the parish church remains open during the day for private prayer and reflection from 2pm to 5pm, with prayer resources available. The furniture will regularly be disinfected. However, we do echo the strong advice of all agencies for the elderly and most vulnerable to remain at home.

BUILDING THE FAITH COMMUNITY FROM A DISTANCE

We try to find as many ways as possible to stay in touch with parishioners and friends of St Teresa's: newsletters, Facebook, website, emails, WhatsApp, twitter, Phone calls, etc.

NOVENA TO THE SAINTS IN OUR CHURCH

We will place a short video prayer to each of our saints for nine days on *Facebook* and website. You are welcome to join with us on Facebook as we go from saint to saint and light a candle like so many of you do.

There is a **PRAYER SPACE** in the church with special emphasis on intercession for all those affected by the new Coronavirus Covid 19.

<u>TEXT-A-PARISHIONER service</u> If you wish to be included, please ring the parish house and leave your name and mobile phone number.

THIRD PASTORAL PARCEL

Thank you for your feedback on the previous two parcels! The third parcel comes with this newsletter / information, reflection, prayer, children's corner, quiz...

RECENTLY DECEASED / RIP

- + James Gray, formerly St. Teresa's Gardens, 5 April
- + Eileen Kurtz, late of Gilbert Road, 7 April
- + Kevin Moylan, late of Mercer House and St. Teresa's Gardens, 12 April

WEEKLY PARISH ENVELOPES: We fully understand that you have many other pressing concerns at this time. If you are in a position to do so, please consider holding on to your weekly envelopes or putting them through the door of the parish house at any time convenient to yourself.