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MASS INTENTIONS

The priests continue to offer mass privately for all booked intentions. If you have any questions, please feel free to ring us about it.

Friday 8th Bl. John Sullivan

Altar List of the Dead
William (2nd A) & Margaret Dumbleton(A)
Saturday 9th: The Finlay Family

SUNDAY 10™ MAY FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

John and Sarah Moylan (A); Anne Aherne (A); Mary and James Aherne and Family (A)

Monday 11th: Elizabeth and John O Toole Tuesday 12th: Ann Corcoran (RD) & Phil McKenzie Wednesday 13th: **Our Lady of Fatima**

Mass for the Sick

Thursday 14th: Altar List of the Dead Friday 15th: John Paul Fitzpatrick (A)

Saturday 16th: **St Brendan**: James and Julia Power

SUNDAY 17TH MAY SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May and John O Toole Marie Hicks (Birthday Remembrance)

Tuesday 19th: Altar List of the Dead Wednesday 20th: Mass for the Sick Thursday 21st: John and May O Toole

MASS IN ST TERESA'S

The announcements on Friday 1st May and the roadmap out of the current restrictions, points to Public Masses returning in July. This is very hard for us as faith community.

When public masses do return along with other larger social gatherings, we imagine it will be with, social distancing, sanitisers, personal hygiene and maybe reduced numbers. All of this is possible in St.Teresa's and we await with longing in our hearts for the pressing of the "start" for it all to return. In the meantime we will continue with other spiritual and personal bonds, such as: Facebook, the delivery of newsletters, texts, phone calls, emails etc. Stay safe.

COLLECTIONS / DONATIONS

WEEKLY PARISH ENVELOPES: We are extremely grateful for the thoughtfulness and generosity of you as parishioners and friends of St Teresa's for thinking of the finances of the parish in the midst of this pandemic, its restrictions and all your other concerns; and for making various arrangements for your weekly envelopes to be delivered to the church. We show the collections for the last number of weeks below.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS EASTER SUNDAY

First Collection (various donations) 265 Euro Envelope Collection 890 Euro

CHURCH COLLECTION 19 April

First Collection (various donations): 110 Euro Envelope Collection: 840 Euro

CHURCH COLLECTION 26 April

First Collection (various donations) 100 Euro Envelope Collection 685 Euro

CHURCH COLLECTION 3RD MAY

First Collection (various donations) 100 Euro Envelope Collection 950 Euro

DONATE BUTTON CHURCH COLLECTIONS

With no public masses, the first and SHARE collections do not happen. These are the funds of solidarity in the diocese. The Diocese asks for donations on-line if possible using a '**DONATE**' button on the Dublin Diocese website. Alternatively if you wish to leave donations into the parish house or give them to one of the parish team, we will forward them on to the diocese.

EASTER DUES: Easter Dues envelopes are available at the back of the church and can be returned to the parish house or given to one of the parish team. We will forward donation on to the Diocese

TROCAIRE: Equally any Trocaire boxes or donations can be returned to the parish house or a member of parish team and we will forward on to Trocaire.

NOTICES: All notices for inclusion in the Parish Bulletin should be submitted in writing no later than *Thursday 1pm* to the Parish House or Sacristy. *The newsletter can be read on line at www.donoreavenueparish.ie*

OPENING HOURS OF THE CHURCH

The parish church remains open for private prayer and reflection from 2pm to 5pm. It is great that we have been able to do this and to provide parishioners and friends of St Teresa's and passers-by out for a walk, with a quiet space to reflect and pray during these very difficult times. One of the parish team is generally present during these times. The furniture is regularly disinfected. Please respect social distancing and limited numbers of people present.

PARISH COMMITTEES

The parish team and the committees (PPC, Liturgy, & Finance) are continuing their work via e-mail, phone and other social media.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We are in contact with the schools and parents. At present there is no date. The roadmap out of the restrictions points to church services beginning in July and schools not returning until September. Any First Holy Communion celebrations will need to fit into this timetable. More about this when it becomes clearer. In the meantime, we continue to pray for and with the children preparing for the reception of their First Holy Communion.

BAPTISMS are postponed until further notice. Those who have planned baptisms for May and June will be contacted. If you have any question please contact us

FUNERALS:

Email Archbishop 31 March 2020 (Excerpt); confirmed 3 April 2020: "The public health authority advice states: Immediate family members not exceeding 10 persons may still attend funeral services, burials and cremations, provided that social distancing rules are enforced. This relates to all funerals including those arising out of COVID-19 deaths. The number not exceeding 10 persons applies to places of worship and at the graveside. The number may be restricted in smaller enclosed spaces and Churches may put in place restrictions which respond to specific local circumstances."

In summary Funerals are and will continue to take place in St Teresa's parish. Funeral Directors have been informed of this. We are "lucky" in that we are under 70 years of age and therefore are free to minister. In other parishes this is not the case.

RECENTLY DECEASED / RIP

- + May Gleeson, late of O'Carolan Road, 17 April
- + Patricia Petherick, late of Ebenezer Terrace, 23 April
- + **Maureen Connolly**, late of Hammond Street, 25 April

May they all rest in peace.

FOURTH PASTORAL PARCEL

Thank you for your feedback on the parcels! The fourth parcel comes with this newsletter / information, reflection, prayer, quiz, and experiences of fellow parishioners in this challenging time...If you know someone who also would like to receive it, please pass it on to us and we will deliver it! Thank you

BUILDING THE FAITH COMMUNITY FROM A DISTANCE.

Stay in touch with your parish and invite others to do so: newsletters, Facebook; website; emails, WhatsApp; twitter, Phone calls, etc.

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.

THANK YOU! For all donations (Envelopes, shrines, once-off donations).

<u>THANK YOU!</u> 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.

DOCUMENTATION PANDEMIC 2020

Dublin City Council began a collection of remarkable events and expressions during this pandemic in Dublin. Our Rainbows for Railings and Easter Candle as 'light of hope' are part of this. If you would like to have all the videos on the Stations of the Cross or the Novena to our Saints, please contact us. You are welcome to download images from the website or *facebook* and to pass them on.

MARIST PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

This pilgrimage is due to take place in June. It appears very unlikely that it will proceed. The new regulations need to be considered in view of this. However unfortunately we have no conclusive advice in this regard from the tour operator or organisers of the pilgrimage. We will continue to seek clarification and pass it on to those concerned as soon as we receive it.

CHURCH GUIDE ST. TERESA

As you know Fr Alois produced a wonderful Church Guide of St Teresa's Church. It is published and ready for distribution. We had of course intended to have a public launch of the guide but the world had other plans!! We will have a public launch at some future date. In the meantime copies are available. Ring the parish house to arrange for a copy._1 copy for 10 Euro/2 copies for 15 Euro.

ANSWERS TO'QUIZ ON STREET NAMES'

IN THE LAST NEWSLETTER: Margaret Kennedy, local woman, took part in the Easter Rising; Petrie, O'Curry, O'Donovan were involved in the Ordnance Survey of 1835; Donore Avenue was Love Lane, still a street near Mount Street; O'Carolan was the 'blind bard'. (cf. Third Pastoral Parcel; Church Guide).