

THE PARISH TEAM:

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Sunday 31st

6pm (Sat) Tom Dunphy (A)
 10.30am Ned Aherne (6th A)
 12.00pm Paul Brady (10th A)

Monday 1st 2024: Mary, the Mother of God

10.00am Mary Byrne (Birthday Rem.)
 6.00pm No Mass – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd Ss Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

10.00 am: Christmas Mass Novena – for the intentions of those who received Parish Christmas Cards

Wednesday 3rd

10.00 am: Mass for the Sick
 Matthew Keville RIP (Birthday Rem.)

Thursday 4th

10.00 am: Javier Leonor Del Poso RIP (Birthday Rem.)
 3-4 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession

Friday 5th

10.00 am: Shared Mass – Deceased
 Michael O Donoghue (Rec. Dec.)

Saturday 6th Epiphany of Jesus

10.00am: Ena Salmon (Rec. Dec.)

Sunday 7th Baptism of Jesus

6.00 pm (Sat.) Michael & Aileen McGlone (A)
 10.30am: Teresa Smith (A)
 Maureen Tisdell (5th A)
 12.00pm Una O Kelly (Rec. Dec.)
 Laurence Power & Richard Power (A)

**Collections December 24th 2023**

FIRST COLLECTION: €250
 SHARE €185
 ENVELOPES: €1265

Collections December 25th 2023

FIRST COLLECTION €595
 SHARE COLLECTION €445

Thank You!

Your generosity to all the collections is greatly appreciated.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS:

Donations to the Dublin Diocese first collection and share collection can be left in the safe in the middle of the church. You can also use the envelopes marked First and Share collections. There is also the tap machine for card payments.

Sunday 6th January 2024**Ministers of the Eucharist**

6.00 pm: Breda Whelan/Catherine Waldron
 10.30 am: Louise O Reilly / Celine Aherne
 12.00 PM: Margaret Gibney

Ministers of the Word

6.00 pm: Breda Mc Kenna
 10.30 am: Kay & Noel Clarke
 12.00 pm: Jude Robello

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**

THANK YOU – FROM THE PARISH TEAM

- for your commitment & witness to your faith..
- for your commitment and participation in this parish ...
- for the sharing and the giving of your gifts & talents...
- for your presence to others in need...
- for all your kindnesses, so much under the radar, to each other...
- for your kindness & support to us in so many ways over the Christmas period.

David, John, Sam & John

...AND A VERY HAPPY, PEACEFUL AND BLESSED NEW YEAR FOR 2024!

Whatever this new brings, we will be in the hands of God and rely on each other's support, encouragement and prayer. Please God 2024 will be a year of abundant blessing for us all.

NEW YEAR 2024

Why do we start a new year, with promises to improve? Who began this tradition of never-ending pressure?

I say, the end of a year, should be filled with congratulation, for all we survived.

And I say a new year should start with promises to be kinder to ourselves, to understand better just how much we bear, as humans on this exhausting treadmill of life.

And if we are to promise more, let's pledge to rest, before our bodies force us.

Let's pledge to stop, and drink in life as it happens.

Let's pledge to strip away a layer of perfection to reveal the flawed and wondrous humanity we truly are inside.

Why start another year, gifted to us on this earth, with demands on our already over-strained humanity.

When we could be learning to accept, that we were always supposed to be imperfect.

And that is where the beauty lives, actually.

And if we can only find that beauty, we would also find peace.

I wish you peace in 2024.

Everything else is all just a part of it.

Let it be so.

Donna Ashworth

PARISH WEBCAM

There is live streaming of church services in this church. It can be accessed on our website: www.donoreavenueparish.ie or through <https://www.mcnmedia.tv>

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- ✦ **Monday 22nd January 2024 at 7pm:** Parish Pastoral Council meeting
- ✦ **Tuesday 9th January at 6.30pm:** Parish Liturgy Committee Meeting
- ✦ **Tuesday 30th January at 7pm:** Parish Finance Committee Meeting.

PARISH CALENDAR 2024 – is available this weekend. Price €5 to cover the costs. A big thank you to Michael O Reilly for all his expert design work.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Sr. Pius McHugh PBVM of Presentation Convent Warrenmount. Sr. Pius funeral mass will take place on Thursday 28th December at 11am.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

- ✦ The 35th Donore Scouts raised €2,500 for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal, through carol singing in Grafton Street and around a number of pubs.
- ✦ Similarly, the parish collection for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal amounted to €2180 +. Thank you to everyone for your continued and very generous donations.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST AND MINISTERS OF THE WORD New rotas for the Ministers of the Eucharist & Ministers of the Word are available on the table at the sacristy door.

PRAYER IN OUR CHURCH

- ✦ **ROSARY** after morning Mass.
- ✦ **NOVENA OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:** Monday during the 10am Mass
- ✦ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSION:** Every Thursday from 3-4pm.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD AND OF THE EUCHARIST

- ✦ Please note that there will be a reflection evening for Church Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist on **Tuesday 25th January at 7pm**. There will be a short reflection on your ministries and this will be followed by refreshments in the parish house as a sign of gratitude for your ministry in the parish.

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

- ✦ During the longer dark evenings of winter, the church will normally close at 4pm. So the opening hours are now:
- ✦ **9am – 6.30pm (Monday)**
- ✦ **9am – 4.00pm (Tues – Fri.),**
- ✦ **9am – 7.00pm on Saturday**
- ✦ **9am – 1.00pm on Sunday.**