

Useful Information for all

RECENT COLLECTIONS: ACCORD raised €1,445.
Knocklyon VDP raised €2355 Contact No. 087 325 6321

TURKEY / SYRIA DIOCESAN CHURCH COLLECTION – 25 / 26 FEBRUARY
A collection to support the people of Turkey/Syria will take place on the weekend of 25/26 February, replacing the SHARE collection.

The **MISSIONARIES OF AFRICA [White Fathers]** will make their appeal and mission awareness this weekend. We welcome to the Parish, Rev. Neil Loughrey, M.Afr., [White Fathers] who will celebrate and speak at the Saturday 7 p.m. Vigil Mass and the 9.30 a.m. and 12 noon Masses on Sunday.

The White Fathers were founded in Algeria in 1868 to be witnesses of God's love to the Muslim population of North Africa. In the following decade they began to evangelize the people who lived round about the Great Lakes of central Africa. There are today, 500 young men in seminaries, mainly in Africa, preparing to become Missionaries of Africa. They are talented people who have been touched by the Spirit of God and who desire to be of service to the often forgotten populations of the remote corners of Africa. We come to your parish seeking your help that we may continue to pursue this goal.

BUILDING HOPE THROUGH SERVANT LEADERSHIP

Five sessions on Monday evenings in Lent for all those in parish ministries - **February 27, March 6 / 13 / 20 / 27** - 7.30pm to 9pm in St Paul's Centre for Mission and Ministry, Arran Quay.
Email: peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie. See Church noticeboards

ASH WEDNESDAY – 22 February

Ashes will be blessed at the 10 a.m. Mass and available in the church up to 4 p.m.

Mass Times in nearby parishes

FIRHOUSE – Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Sat. Vigil: 6 p.m. Sunday: 9.30 a.m.
Daily: 10 a.m. [subject to change]

BALLYROAN – Church of the Holy Spirit

Sat. Vigil: 7 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.
Daily: 10 a.m. Holy Days: 10 a.m.

RATHFARNHAM – Church of the Annunciation

Sat. Vigil: 6.45 p.m.
Sunday: 8.30 a.m. 9.30 a.m. 10.45 a.m.
Daily: 10 a.m. Holy Days: Vigil 7 p.m. / 10 a.m.

Our Sunday Leaflet may be viewed by opening the parish website.

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Knocklyon Parish PARÓISTE CHNOC LIAMHNA ST. COLMCILLE'S CHURCH

DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES

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Mass Times: **Mon - Fri: 10 a.m.; Sat: 10 a.m. / 7 p.m. [Vigil]**

Sun: 9.30 a.m. / 12 noon

Holy Days: 10 a.m. / 7 p.m.

Confessions: Saturdays 6 p.m. – 6.45 p.m.

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Sunday Readings

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time [A]

1 Reading Lev 19:1-2, 17-18

You must love your neighbour as yourself

Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13, R/v 8

The Lord is compassion and love

2 Reading 1 Cor 3:16-23

The wisdom of this world is foolishness to God

Gospel Mt 5:38-48

If you love those who love you what right have you to claim any credit

But I say to you,
Love your enemies
and pray for those
who persecute
you,
Matthew 5:44

MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY

Sat 18	10 a.m.	CONNELLY FAMILY ... <i>Anniv's.</i>
	7 p.m. Vigil	PADDY LUMLEY ... <i>Anniv.</i>
Sun 19	9.30 a.m.	BRIGID / JOSEPH MAHER ... <i>Anniv's.</i>
		KATHLEEN MAHER ... <i>Anniv.</i>
	12 noon	JOHN BATES / MARY RYAN ... <i>Anniv's.</i>
	All Masses:	DIARMUID BRYCE ... <i>Rec. Deceased</i>
		PAUL WHELAN ... <i>Rec. Deceased</i>
Mon 20	10 a.m.	SARAH / JERRY O'DRISCOLL ... <i>Anniv.</i>
Tues 21	10 a.m.	MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

ASH WEDNESDAY - 22 February

Wed 22	10 a.m.	HELEN COTTER ... <i>Anniv.</i>
Thurs 23	10 a.m.	MARY / CARMEL BYRNE ... <i>Anniv's.</i>
Fri 24	10 a.m.	SHARED MASS INTENTIONS
Sat 25	10 a.m.	CONOR COTTER ... <i>Anniv.</i>
	7 p.m. Vigil	GARY LYONS ... <i>Anniv.</i>
Sun 26	9.30 a.m.	LIAM O'DONNELL ... <i>Anniv.</i>
	12 noon	DEIRDRE FARRELL ... M.M.



Masses: JOHN / MARY MELROSE ... *Anniv.*

Pray for the recently deceased

JANUARY 2023

Jim Sadlier – Beverly Avenue

Stephen McDonald – Westbourne Lodge

Deirdre Farrell – Orlagh Park



Our Gospel reading today, Jesus talks about the human heart. We see many depictions of hearts all around us this time of year. The heart shapes are the popular depictions of love, especially of romantic love. In our Gospel reading, Jesus is, however, talking about the true and more wholesome meaning of our human hearts. He states that the human heart is the very inner core of the person. That core can have both light and shade; it can be a source for good and for harm. By the way we live our lives, we can fill our hearts with good things, or we can let badness creep in as well.

One of the great traditional Christian images in art is that of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Many of us may have grown up with an image of the Sacred Heart in our homes. These depict Jesus showing off his own heart, so that we as a viewer may follow his own heart. Our calling is to have hearts that reflect the Sacred Heart, to have an inner core that partakes in God's inner core.

An early version of such a Sacred Heart painting is our artwork by Pompeo Batoni from 1767. Christ is shown wearing a red tunic, which represents the colour of blood, martyrdom and humanity; and a blue mantle which symbolises the colour of heaven and Christ's divinity. Jesus is holding in his left hand an inflamed heart crowned with thorns and with a cross at the top. Batoni's painting immediately gained popularity and became the official image for the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Batoni was born 18 years after the death of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, the saint who inspired the artists of all Sacred Heart of Jesus portraits. Jesus appeared to Saint Margaret Mary, who described the encounter in this way: "The Divine Heart was presented to me in a throne of flames, more resplendent than a sun, transparent as crystal, with this adorable wound. And it was surrounded with a crown of thorns, signifying the punctures made in it by our sins, and a cross above signifying that