

ST SYLVESTER'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

9th September 2018

Parish Office

St Sylvester's Parish Office is open Monday to Friday from 10.30am to 1.00pm Tel: 01 845 1244

Parish Centre

Facilities available for meetings or training sessions. Contact Sharon O'Sullivan, Centre Manager, at 086 049 2369 or e-mail sharon@malahideparishcentre.com

REBECCA STORM

The concert takes place in St Sylvester's Church on Friday, December 14th, at 8:00pm. **Well over half the tickets are sold so DO NOT BE DISSAPPOINTED.** Rebecca will treat us to a medley of her favourite songs over her career, and it promises to be a wonderful night. Reserved seating — book early. **A PRE-SHOW MEAL** is available for all those attending the concert. The Parish Caf e will serve a main course (there will be a choice) with a glass of wine for €15 on the night, starting at 6:00pm. Deserts & tea/coffee will be available also at an extra charge. To get tickets or book a meal contact Sharon at the Parish Centre or 086 049 2369.

EXERCISE CLASS FOR PEOPLE WITH

PARKINSON'S: Tuesday, Sep 11th Introductory exercise class in Naomh Mearn og GAA Club, Portmarnock at 11:00am. It is hoped to continue the classes for some weeks. No fee for participation. Info: Tony Brady 087 7953302 /Sin e ad O'Kane 087 286 9173.

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SERVICE

Have you suffered a bereavement? Are you feeling that loss? Would you like to talk to someone about it? Malahide Bethany Bereavement Support Group have support sessions on Monday mornings at 10:30am in St Sylvester's Parish Centre. Bethany team contact: 087 793 6189

SOUND SYSTEM: During the coming week we would welcome any further comments people may have, either positively or negatively, about the sound in St. Sylvester's church.

MASS TIMES: ST. SYLVESTER'S CHURCH, MALAHIDE

Sunday: 10.am, 11.15am, 12.30pm and 5.30pm. Weekdays: 10 am.

CARMELITE CONVENT: Mon - Fri 7.30am; Sat & Sun 9.00am.

YELLOW WALLS: Sat 6:00; Sun 10:30 & 12:00; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:30am

PORTMARNOCK: Sat 6:30pm; Sun 10:30am & 12:00pm; Mon - Fri 10:00am.

KINSEALY: Sunday 11:00am; Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 10:00 am.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - ST. SYLVESTER'S CHURCH

Monday: 10.30am – 10.00pm (*Except Bank Holidays*)

Tuesday: 10.30am – 3.00pm; 7:00pm - 9pm.

Wed: 8.00am - 9.45am; 10.30am – 2.pm; 7 - 9pm. First Fri: 10.30am - 4.00pm

MASS INTENTIONS 9th September – 16th September

SUN: 9.00am Deceased members of the O'Neill family; 10:00am Pat Hayes (10th A); 11.15am Evelyn Casey (A); 12:30pm David Mac Pherson (A); Special Remembrance Bessie Hatch; 5.30pm Tony Dunne (A); **MON:** 7:30am Ternary Mass; 10.00am Alan McDonnell (RIP); **TUES:** 7.30am Mary Murphy (RIP); 10:00am Alice & Christopher Maher (A); **WED:** 7.30am Joseph Brophy (A); 10.00am Martin Kevlin & Christy Kevlin (RIP); **THUR:** 7.30am Healing Mass; **FRI:** 7.30am Mass for Special Intention; 10am Stephen Mahony (RIP); **SAT:** 9:00am Gabriel Doyle (RIP); 10.00am Gear oid Colleran (A); **SUN:** 9:00am Bridget Clarke (RIP); 10:00am Maureen O'Brien (A); 11.15am Michael & Marcella Gaffney (A); Special Remembrance Rupert Bissett (1st A); 12:30pm Muriel Lonergan (1st A); Special Remembrance Una Gillen (A); 5.30pm Michael Harnett (1st A).

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: September 9th: 1st Collection: €1,798 supports the priests of our parish, sick and retired priests, priests in low-income parishes, and priests working in special ministries throughout our Diocese.

2nd Collection: €1,395 to SHARE provides essential pastoral services supporting all parishes. Share also provides support to low-income parishes and contributes to initiatives of the Irish Bishops' Conference.

Thank you for your support of the Sunday collections and your support of the parish by 1) Standing Orders (*Standing Order Forms are available at the back of the Church*) or 2) Family Offering Envelopes or 3) The Parish Draw, which are the main sources of funding for the day to day running of the Parish. Parishioners are invited to think about contributing to the running of the Parish through any of the three options above. Enquiries to Parish Office.

CROSSCARE – Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin Annual Collection for Community & Homeless Services at all Masses next weekend. It will replace the SHARE Collection. Please support generously.

ADVIC- 'Advocates for Victims of Homicide' are holding a photographic exhibition in 'THE HOUSE' Leeson Street, D 2 on Wednesday 26th Sept. 7pm. to raise funds for specialised counselling training for victims of homicide. Opening by Lord Mayor Niall Ring; Special Guest: Brent Pope. All welcome.

MEALS ON WHEELS Looking for Volunteers

Starting in September, Malahide Meals on Wheels are looking for volunteers to coordinate or drive or help prepare meals one day per month for approximately 4 hours. Please contact Sharon on 087 254 7037

BIBLE STUDY: The Bible Study Group meets on Thursdays at 11.00am in the Parish Centre. It takes a look at different aspects of scripture helping to give people a deeper understanding and appreciation of the bible and the meaning of its message both at the time when it was written and that deeper message of God's Word that is relevant to our lives at all times. Sessions are 'Stand Alone' and are presented in an 'easy to understand' way that makes it enjoyable for those who attend so all are welcome to attend at any time.

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Please send news items to malahide.parish.newsletter@gmail.com to reach us before 12.00 noon Wednesdays

FOUNDATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME FOR YOUNG ADULTS 2018 – 2019. We are running the Foundational Leadership Programme for Young Adults over four Saturdays (10am-3pm) from October 2018 – March 2019. This course is designed to support young adults and, in turn, their parishes. It is a dynamic, integrative and highly practical programme which will enable the participants to begin developing their skills as leaders and role models within their local faith-based communities. The venue will be St. Paul's Church Arran Quay, Dublin 7 – some of the course will also take place online. The programme concludes with a Weekend Retreat in April 2018. The cost is €100 (includes course materials and retreat). The programme endeavours to provide participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to be Gospel-centred transformational leaders within their own parishes, communities and pastoral settings. For more information on the course, contact evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie

EWE THINA: WE WALK GOD'S WAY Join other young adults (20's & 30's) for reflective hikes around Dublin Area. Monthly event. The next hike will be on Sunday 16th September. We will be heading to Glendalough. The meeting point will be at the Upper Lake carpark at 12 noon. If you need a lift please let us know – email: st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie and www.facebook.com/wewalkgodsway

THE ENCOUNTER Join other young adults for a night of live acoustic music, reflective prayer in adoration and guest speakers on life, faith and purpose. Followed by social, pizza and refreshments. Our next Encounter will be Friday 21st September at 8pm. We are delighted to announce Laura Walsh will be our Musician and Guest Speaker for the night. Email st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie and www.facebook.com/theencounterdublincy

SENIOR CITIZENS BINGO takes place every Thursday morning in the Parish Centre from 11.00 – 12.00. It is good fun in a relaxed environment that is enjoyed by all who attend. All are more than welcome to come along and enjoy the fun. If you know of someone you think might like to come along and would be at the Bingo, please mention it to them. All Welcome.

INDOOR BOWLS takes place on Fridays in Parish Centre 2-4pm. It takes place downstairs in the Gaffney Hall. It is easy to learn how to play indoor bowls so if you have never played bowls before let that not stop you from coming along. Learning the game is easy and the fun and the chat is always enjoyable. ALL ARE WELCOME.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ENVELOPE SYSTEM FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND COLLECTIONS AT SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY MASSES.

It is hoped to begin using an envelope system for our First Collection and SHARE Collection on Sundays starting around the middle of October.

What are the benefits of such a system and how will it work?

As you may be aware, tax relief exists whereby those who contribute €250 or more to a charity in a given tax year can allow the charity to draw down an additional sum (equal to almost 45% of the donation) from the Revenue Commissioners, which is sent directly to the parish. It is important to say that there is no loss or cost incurred by any taxpayer who is willing to be part of this system and that confidentially will be assured in all aspects of this process.

For a person who contributes €250 in any tax year – it is possible for the parish to receive an additional €112.32 from the Revenue Commissioners. If the amount contributed to the church is in excess of €250, then this figure will increase accordingly.

At present we cannot submit the First Collection or the Share Collection donations for a tax relief because the current bag collection system does not permit the recording of these donations.

If you are a Tax Payer, we invite you to avail of an envelope system for the First Collection and the Share Collection on Sundays to make your donations more tax-efficient and included for the tax relief. This will enable us to potentially generate substantial extra revenue for our parish at no extra cost to you.

For example: a €5 donation for the First Collection or Share Collection, by envelope, could possibly yield an extra €2.25 on that donation.

For example: a €10 donation for the First Collection or Share Collection, by envelope, could possibly yield an extra €4.50 on that donation.

The First Collection and the Share Collection go directly to diocesan funds **but the tax relief would go directly to parish funds.**

What do I do to avail of an envelope system?

Just complete the form below and we will have the boxes of envelopes ready for you to collect in October. Each box will contain a 12 months' supply and each envelope will have a date and a special number that will apply to your donation.



I wish to avail of the First Collection and Share Collection envelope system and require boxes of envelopes

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

Tel/mobile _____ email _____