

ST SYLVESTER'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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has great facilities
for meetings / activities:
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Sharon@malahideparishcentre.com

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Check out the Parish café
great coffee & food!

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT
AND USE THE PARISH CENTRE**

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of St. Sylvester's Parish, Malahide, is to seek and proclaim a meaning for life based on the Good News of Jesus Christ.

CHRISTMAS FAIR:

There will be a meeting next **TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER AT 7.30PM** to look at the Christmas Fair for 2019 and plan accordingly. We ask all who have been involved in the Christmas Fair to mark the date and look forward to seeing you then and hope that some new people will also take an interest in the Christmas Fair and become involved. The meeting takes place in the Parish Centre

BIBLE GROUP – 6 WEEKS WITH THE PSALMS: AN INVITATION TO PRAYER

The Bible Group will re-commence on Thurs 26th Sept at 11.00am in the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome even if you have not attended before. We will be examining the psalms as a means of prayer both for the people of the Old Testament and for ourselves today. Material is available in advance of the first session which will be beneficial to have read beforehand. Contact Mary Kirk, Pastoral Worker, 0874570981 if you would like a copy.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: St Vincent to Paul urgently need volunteers in Dublin area. For information on what we do and how we do it please go to and to join. www.SVP.ie or volunteer@svp.ie or phone Enda at 01 8198405.

FAITH FOR LIFE is an adult faith course, over four weekends, designed to help you to discover new ways to live out your faith in the reality of today's world, within relationships, family, home, workplaces and the events of daily life. The course starts in October for info: email: rlavelle@dublindiocese.ie or evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie

MASS TIMES

ST. SYLVESTER'S CHURCH, MALAHIDE

Sunday: 10.am, 11.15am, 12.30pm, 5.30pm. Weekdays: 10.00am
CONFESSIONS after 10.00am Mass on Saturdays

CARMELITE CONVENT: Mon-Fri 8.30am; Sat, Sun & Bank Holidays at 9.00am.
YELLOW WALLS: Sat 6pm; Sun 10.30 12.00; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9.30am
PORTMARNOCK: Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.30am & 12.00noon; Mon - Fri 10am.
KINSEALY: Sunday 11am; ****WED & FRI only 10AM.****

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: 8am - 9.45am; 10.30am – 2pm; 7pm - 9pm. First Fridays: 10.30am - 4pm

MASS INTENTIONS 8th - 15th September

SUN: 9:00am Kate Cahill (RIP); 10.00am Christy Sheridan (A); Spec. Rem: Pat Hayes (A); 11.15am Norman & Emma Lambe (A); 12.30pm Dorothy Brett (20th A); Spec. Rem: Kathleen & Rory Fitzpatrick (A) and The Ruane Family (A); 5.30pm Tony Dunne (25th A).

MON: 8.30am Ternary Mass; 10.00am Michael Fitzpatrick (RIP).

TUES: 8.30am Margaret Doran (RIP); 10.00am Maria Wallace (RIP).

WED: 8.30am Sr. Miriam (Spec. Int); 10.00am Alice & Christopher Maher (A).

THURS: 8.30am Patrick Fitzgerald (RIP); 10.00am Leslie Riley (RIP);

FRI: 8.30am Fr. Ian Matthews (Special Intention); 10.00am Jane & Edward Hogan (A) and Gerald Gaffney (A).

SAT: 9.00am Marie Lowe (RIP) and her parents; 10.00am Sheila Moylan (5th A).

NEXT SUN: 9:00am Brendan & Una MacClancy (A); 10.00am Maureen O'Brien (A); 11.15am Evelyn Casey (A); Spec. Rem: Rupert Bissett (A); 12.30pm Muriel Lonergan (A); 5.30pm Bridgid Murphy (A).

RECENT BEREAVEMENTS: We extend our sympathy to the families of Emmet Dennis and Eileen Howard whose funerals took place recently.

COLLECTIONS: 1st September: 1ST COLLECTION: €2,013 which 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:** € 6,583.30 (includes single donation of €1,000) to Crosscare. Thank you for your support of the Sunday collections and your support of the parish by 1) Standing Orders 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

THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE NEW TESTAMENT: A four-week course on the important role of four women in the early Christian Movement; Mary Magdalene, Phoebe of Cenchreae, Lydia of Philippi and Prisca. An interactive course which draws on up to the minute scholarly research and teaching to learn about these fascinating characters but also asking the question how does knowing these people impact on me and my life today. Location: Margaret Aylward Centre, Holy Faith Convent, Glasnevin (near Met Eireann Office) Time: 7.00pm to 8.30pm Wed 18th, 25th Sept and 2nd, 9th Oct. Cost: € 60 For info or to book - Myra Noonan - 0873890601 or at nmyra@live.ie

SEASON OF CREATION OR CREATION TIME is marked throughout the Christian world from 1st September to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. Pope Francis has officially called on Catholics and parishes to engage this year. This is a timely intervention as we witness more and more the destruction of the natural world, the demise of many species of animals and the devastation that climate change is wreaking on many poor and deprived communities around the world. Resources and information are available at <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2019/07/17/season-of-creation-2019/> Also see www.thepopevideo.org Copies of Pope Francis' *Prayer for Our Earth* are available at the back of the Church – please pray this prayer throughout this Season.

Guímis ar son pháistí agus lucht léinn ag socrú síos sa scollbhliain nua.

Please send news items to newsletter@malahideparish.ie to reach us before 12 noon on Wednesdays

WEEKDAY SERVICES OF THE WORD IN PARISHES

Workshop - Carmelite Convent - next Wednesday 11th Sept at 7:30pm.

Parishioners will be aware of the constraints and pressures on the priests in our grouping of parishes in the past number of months. With the reduction in the numbers of vocations to the priesthood in recent times, this situation is not likely to improve in the near future. Therefore, it is a reality that it may not always be possible to have a priest available to celebrate Mass every day during the week, in each of our parishes. Nevertheless, it is important that, in each parish, we gather as a community to pray together, to listen to God's word and to offer thanks and praise to God. Diocesan guidelines suggest that best practice for community prayer at these times would take the form of a Service of the Word; a service where the main focus is on listening to the Readings of the day and praying that the word of God may come alive in our lives.

Each parish will require a team of lay people who will be trained to lead such a service, and who will be available for a rota in their parish. As a first step in the training process for interested parishioners, a Workshop will be held in Sept to give people an overview of what a Service of the Word is, and to familiarise them with the steps involved and the content. If you are interested in exploring this further and think you might be interested in being trained for this vital role in lay ministry in the parishes of Malahide, Yellow Walls, Kinsealy, Portmarnock and the Carmelite Convent, please come along to the workshop. The Workshop will be held in the Carmelite Convent, Malahide on Weds 11th Sept at 7:30pm.

CHY TAX RECLAIM FORMS

It is very important for Parish finances and budgetary concerns that all CHY Tax Forms are returned. There are some 27 CHY Tax Reclaim Forms which still need to be returned to the Parish Office. We ask those who have not yet returned their CHY Tax Reclaim Form if they might consider doing so, as soon as possible. Thank you to all who have returned their new CHY Tax Reclaim Form which will be valid for 5 years. We are very grateful and appreciate very much that you took the time to read the letter and return the form. A tax reclaim can be made on contributions to the parish of Euro 250 or more in a tax year. The income raised from the tax refund is a significant part of our funding in St Sylvester's Parish, Malahide.

FLOWER BED AT FRONT OF CHURCH:

We have cleared the flower bed at the front of the church and would like to plant it with small shrubs and some flowers to give us colour, variety and also some plants which we can use for flower arranging in the church.

We are inviting parishioners to donate a plant for the bed, you may have a favourite plant which you would like to see there, or you may want to plant something in memory of a loved one.

We will be taking in plants from Monday the 16th to Friday the 20th of September and they can be left with Sharon in the Parish Centre.

We do not want anything that will grow too big or into a tree so suggestions would be, hebes, sarracocca, choysia, senecio, small pittosporums, or similar. We would also like roses and Hydrangea for colour. We will also be planting bulbs fitting to each season.

Thank you.

DEMENTIA DAY-CARE SERVICE – UPDATE: The Day-Care Service in St. Sylvester's Pastoral Centre, which was announced in the Parish Newsletter on 23rd June 2019, opened on 2nd September.

On Friday and Saturday, 13th and 14th September, from 11am to 3pm, at the Public Health Clinic on New Street, Malahide, the Alzheimer Society's Mobile Service will provide information and support to people with dementia and their families.

Information will also be available about current and proposed initiatives in support of people in the Malahide area with dementia.

www.alzheimer.ie and 1800 341341 (10am to 5pm Monday to Friday and 10 to 4 on Saturday) are further sources of information about dementia, including Alzheimer's. The phone number above and helpline@alzheimer.ie provide a free confidential helpline.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: Portmarnock Parish pilgrimage to Holy Land in October, 8 nights cost 1,685-euro pp. Spiritual Director Fr. Jimmy McPartland. Contact Pauline 087- 6293744.

BRIDGE BEGINNERS COURSE:

Commencing Thursday the 12 September at 10.30am. Structure is two terms.

Term 1 10 lessons 12th Sept to 14th Nov

Term 2 10 lessons 21st Nov to 13th Feb

Full course notes will be provided for both terms. Contact Leslie Geraghty on lesger@netscape.net or text 0879271847.

M.A.R.A

Next meeting is on Monday 9th September 2019 at 10.15am in Malahide Library. The speaker is Roger Greene of Malahide Historical Society who will be speaking about our local estuary and coast.

Outing to Farmleigh House on Wednesday 30th September. Cost €16. Names will be taken at the meeting.

Computer and Keep fit classes will be commencing 24th and 25th September. New members welcome.

MALAHIDE REGIONAL BRIDGE CLUB –

Mentored Bridge Game Monday mornings 10.30am-12.30pm starting Monday 16th Sept. €6 per person. Contact Catherine Byrne 086 8239490

BEHAVIOUR ANALYST available to work with individuals, families or services for Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) assessment, intervention and training. Please visit www.creativebehavioursolutions.com or email

charlotte@creativebehavioursolutions.com for information.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S BINGO

Thursday mornings 11am – 12noon in St. Ita's Room in the parish centre. All are welcome.

MALAHIDE BETHANY BEREAVEMENT

SUPPORT GROUP meet in the Parish Centre every Monday morning at 10.30am except Bank Holidays.

MALAHIDE TOASTMASTERS CLUB:

The Malahide Toastmasters Club meets 8:00pm to 10:00pm every fortnight, **starting on Wednesday, September 11th**, in the Grand Hotel. Come visit and see how this friendly club can help you! Contact Hilda at 087 660 9237.

IRISH LANGUAGE CLASSES FOR ADULTS:

Would you like to learn a cúpla focal in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere? Or would you like to use the Irish you already have? Morning classes for adults (3 levels) are starting mid-September in Coláiste Dhúlaigh. For further information, please contact Honor on 01 853 0437 or viahonorclynes@gmail.com