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Mount Merrion Parish Newsletter

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PERHAPS A PILGRIMAGE?

January is often a time to plan holidays. Or a pilgrimage?

The parish library features several books on possible pilgrimage routes and sites in Dublin or as far as the Holy Land.

A gentle reminder to please return a borrowed book before you forget. There is no 'loan period', but someone else may like to read that book too.

ST. THÉRÈSE'S CHURCH, MOUNT MERRION



We hope this Christmas was very special for you and your family.

We would like to invite you, your parents and friends to a special Mass for all the children who were baptised in our parish during the past

We will have some refreshments afterwards in our Community Centre.

Sunday 19th January, 2020 Date: 11.15am Family Mass

We look forward to seeing you again and wish you and your family every blessing for 2020.

Fr. 70e

Fr. Brian



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 18th

6.00 Mary Cummins – A

Thomas Toomey - A

Sharon McDonald - A

Sunday 19th

10.00 Bernard & Catherine Shanahan - A

David Walsh - A

Paddy Duffy - A

11.15 John O'Connell - A

Margaret & Patrick O'Connor -A

Kevin Smith - A

Simone Kenny - A

7.30 Marie Cockburn -A

Don Cockburn - R

The Scully Family - R

Eilis Roche Byrne – A

Margaret MacMahon - R.D.

Monday 20th

10.00 For all who are ill

Tuesday 21st

10.00 Liturgical Service

Wednesday 22nd

10.00 Special Intention

Thursday 23rd

10.00 Thomas and Catherine Rexton - R

Friday 24th

10.00 Kitty, John and Pat Hatal - R

Saturday 25th

10.00

6.00 Conor Sexton - M.M.

Hillary family – A

Sunday 26th

10.00 Michael O'Cuinneagain – A

Michael MacEnri - A

Patrick Leonard - A

Emily Kirwan - M. M.

11.15

7.30 Nora De Blacam - A

Paddy and Eileen McMahon - A



Our sympathies to the family, relatives and friends of **Eileen Spillane** whose funeral took place here this week.

'WELCOME MASS FOR FR JOE'

A special Mass of Welcome is being held on Sunday 26th January at the 11:15 Mass. This is an opportunity for us to extend a warm welcome through prayer to welcome our new Parish Priest Fr Joe Mullan. Please join us in joyful welcome of Fr Joe as he commences his pastoral ministry at Mount Merrion, Kilmacud and Clonskeagh parishes. We pray especially that God may bless him and protect him. Tea, coffee and cake will be served after Mass in the Community centre and all are very Welcome! We thank the hospitality team for serving us all in this endeavour! PPC



Baptisms

Adam Bruce Moya Greally Kate Patterson McEnroe Fodla O'Brien Mollov Conn Sheahan Robin Murtagh Fmer O'Shea Poppy Daveron Sophia McNamee Conor O'Riordan Cian Heraty Michael Aslin Jonathan Rockett Ada Casev Liam McClafferty Henry Egan **Robert Stokes** Thomas Kelly Ann Flavin Ted Byrne Molly Burke Dylan Davies James Kennedy Patrick Curley Joni Cosgrove Darragh Dunne Robert MacArtney Sophie O'Sullivan Sophie Scanlon Loila Bishti Senan Davis Olivia Moroney Thea Henry Rhys Lalor Laurence Cowman Tom Callaghan Caoimhe Duffy Siomha O'Reilly Lelia Quinn Robert Kennedy Leo Johnston Grace Dowling Cara O'Reilly Phoebe Forde Sophie Kennedy Luke Forde Jack Daley Sadie Austen Sadie Copel

Charlie Norman Lyla Synnott Ann Dauber Ava Collins John Mooney Marianne Sweetman Elise McGovern Archie Kelly Freya McCormack Callum Murphy Sebastian Karlsson Willow Harrison Thomas O'Connor Eilagh McCabe Ora Mulvihill Nathan Meegan Clodagh Fogarty Alice Creavin Emma ~Markey Patrick Maguire Alexandra Kirk Ben Horgan Oscar Sanders Ben Vickers



Pope Francis recently declared a Sunday of the Word of God for Catholics. This year the Sunday falls on the 26th of January, just after the Week of Prayer for Christian

The day of this new announcement was the feast of Saint Jerome, who translated the Bible into Latin, and who famously said: "Not to know the Scriptures is not to know Christ".

Pope Francis is passionate about Jesus Christ and passionate about the Word of God. By inviting us to read the Word of God for ourselves, he hopes to help us all encounter Christ and catch again the energy and vision of the very first believers.

"I love my old Bible, which has accompanied me half my life. It has been with me in my times of joy and times of tears. It is my most precious treasure," said Pope Francis. "I live out of it, and I wouldn't give anything in the world for it." (Pope Francis)

We invite you, in particular preparation for the first 'Sunday of the Word of God', to find a guiet time in the coming week to read, reflect and pray next Sunday's scripture readings. See biblical references below and/or further resources at the doors of the church or on https://www.catholicbishops.ie/readings/.

Liturgy of the Word of God - 26th January

Isaiah 8:23b-9:3 Psalm 26 (27)

Matthew 4:12-23

In Galilee of the nations the people have seen a great light.

The Lord is my light and my help.

1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17 Make up the differences between you instead of disagreeing among yourselves.

He went and settled in the Capernaum; in this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit, who dwells in us by virtue of our baptism, is also at work in us as we listen to or read the text. Therefore, through the Spirit's inspiration, the words of Scripture can become a living Word of the Lord to us here and now.