

The Baptism of the Lord
Newsletter 8th January 2023

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Mass times: Monday - Friday 10.00am, Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.15am
Confessions: Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm



Church of the Visitation Drynam The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am, Irish Mass at 11.00am



Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm Fay Hardy(An)
Sun 11.15am Peter O'Neill (1st An)
John O'Reilly (MM)
Marie Doyle & Bridie Hoare



Mass intentions for next Next Week

Mon 10.00am Mary Corr Mass of Thanksgiving Holy Souls	Sat 6.30pm Peter Harford
Tues 10.00am Tom Barrett	
Wed 10.00am James Reilly Get Well intention	Sun 11.15am Bridget & John McNulty Kitty & Henry Dawson & deceased members of Dawson Family
Thurs 10.00am John O'Reilly	
Fri 10.00am Lilian O'Reilly Kathleen McKittrick	

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:

Charles Fitzsimons	Magenta Crescent Santry
Thesese O'Shea	St Andrew's Park



Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support, please contact Terri at 8403243 from Sunday 8th January to Saturday 14th. Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

Thank you to everyone who returned Christmas dues envelopes. Envelopes can be returned to the Sacristy or Parish Office

The Baptism of the Lord

The Church celebrates that point in Jesus' life when he went public, so to speak. He began to reveal who he was. There is another revelation in today's liturgy. It is that God is Trinity. At his baptism when Jesus the Son came up out of the water the Spirit descended on him and the voice of the Father declared that Jesus was his Son. (Source: St. Paul's Missal)



Family Offering Boxes 2023

The new Family Offering Boxes for 2023 are now available for collection from the Sacristy. Funds raised from the Family Offering go towards the upkeep of the Parish, heating, light insurance etc. If you would like to contribute to the Family Offering collection please contact Colette at the Parish Office 8400547

Tap & Go Machine

During the month of November 2022 the Tap and Go machines in Swords Parish collected €1,346.00 from 93 transactions. This is split 60% to the Common Fund and 40% to Share. Thank you for your ongoing support for First Collection and Share collection through the machine and from the collection boxes.

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 18th January at 7:15pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

Christian Meditation in Brackenstown Parish Centre every Monday at 11am.

Meditation is a spiritual discipline, a discipline of Presence. It is about awakening to one's true self. It is about silence, the silent Presence of God. Research has shown that Meditation benefits us at a physical, mental, cognitive and emotional level. It reduces blood pressure, helps us cope with stress and aids insomnia to mention but a few. The fruits/ benefits of Meditation: Peace, love, joy, patience, understanding, kindness, goodness, freedom and self-control. Galatians:5:22

AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit www.aware.ie.

