

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Welcome to the 12.00 mass today the families of those preparing for **First Penance and First Communion**, The next **'Do this in Memory'** monthly mass will be Sunday 19th March the 3rd Sunday of Lent at 12.



Baptisms

No Baptisms During Lent
Easter Vigil Sat April 15th 21:00
Easter Sunday 16th April 12pm
Saturday 20th May at 12:15
Sunday 4th June at 13:15
Saturday 17th June at 12:15

Please note there will be no 7.30am Mass from Monday Feb 20th to Tuesday Feb 28th inclusive. Mass will resume at 7.20am for Lent on Ash Wed 1st March.



Please pray for those who died recently:

Kitty Gleeson
Patrick Mackey
Michael Hughes

May they rest in peace

Parish Lotto

Has now reached €5800
Results of the draw held on Monday 6th February 2017

4 ♦ 14 ♦ 25 ♦ 31
No Jackpot winner

Family Offering Collection

The Family Offering collection is the **only collection** that stays in the parish for the **running of the church** eg to pay for light, heat, power, insurance, bread wine, candles for mass, staff salaries, office expenses. This is a very important collection. **Without it we could not run the parish**

At the moment we are preparing new boxes for delivery. There are **262 families** who contribute by way of **weekly or monthly envelope** - We have a very similar number - **277 families** who contribute to this same collection by **bankers standing order**.

We appeal to new people at this time who might be in a position to contribute to the running of your parish. Can you sign up for a box of envelopes or bankers standing order? Sign up form available at the entrance to the church.

The New Envelope Year will start on Sunday 5th of March. Those of you who contribute by way of weekly/monthly envelope will receive a new box of envelopes for the beginning of the new year in the next 2 weeks.

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults Update

Many thanks to all who attended the information talks on the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults. The final gathering will take place in the Parish Centre this coming Tuesday February 14th from 11am to 1pm. Tea and coffee will be served from 10.40am.

We say Thank You to Garry Kehoe from the Diocesan Safeguarding Office for his input at these gatherings. Recently, the Dublin Diocesan safeguarding office has communicated to each Parish that it is now a requirement in law that all clergy, employees, anyone working with children or vulnerable adults, and those who visit or bring Holy Communion to the housebound or those in hospital must be Garda vetted. It is also the policy of the Dublin Archdiocese that all staff and volunteers who carry out their work in public also must be Garda vetted. The process of Garda vetting at parish level has already begun and will be ongoing over the weeks ahead. Anyone who may have queries or questions about the process can contact Fr. Brian through the parish office or email frbrian@goodshepherdchurchtown.ie

Churchgate Collection this weekend is in support of school immersion project in Zambia - 20 students from Gonzaga will be helping in Zambia over Easter.

GOOD SHEPHERD NATIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

A huge thank you to all who supported our P.A. table quiz last Friday evening in the Glenside. €1,500 was raised and will go towards the purchase of 2 new interactive Whiteboards for our class for children on the autistic spectrum and our special class.

The Good Shepherd N.S. Parents' Association are holding our annual cake/bake sale next Thursday, 16th February.

Time: 10am – 1pm **Venue:** School Hall
Tea and coffee will be served.
Come, support and enjoy.

The ANNUAL COLLETION of ACCORD, The Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses **NEXT weekend**

The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the diocese offers;

- Marriage Preparation Courses
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships.
- A relationship and Sexuality Programme in Schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY ON 18TH & 19TH FEBRUARY