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15<sup>th</sup> January 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Friday Visits to Housebound Parishioners**

Communion is brought to our ill or housebound parishioners normally on the First Friday of every month. If you know of someone, family member or neighbour, who would like a First Friday visit, please let us know by contacting the Parish Office.

**Prayer for Christian Unity 2023**

The Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January and continues to 25<sup>th</sup> January. This year's theme is: **'Be-Longing: Praying for Unity amidst Injustice.'** Its inauguration in Dublin will take place at an Interdenominational Service in Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 8 p.m. The Very Reverend Paul Canon O'Driscoll PP, Parish of the Travelling People will preach the sermon. In this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023, we are once again invited to pray for greater unity among the Christian Churches and that a greater Christian Unity may be witnessed within an ever-greater secular world at all Masses under the theme 'Be-Longing: Praying for Unity amidst Injustice.'

**FIRHOUSE BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Have you been bereaved by the loss of a loved one? Firhouse Bethany Bereavement Support Group is holding a series of open meetings for bereaved persons on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Venue: Presbytery 2. Next meeting, Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> January 7.30p.m. to 8.45pm. Enquiries: Parish Office  
01 4524702 Bethany member: 087 2852647.

**MONDAY ROSARY:**

Continues every week at 6pm in the parish church. Its main intention is to pray for the return to faith of our children and grandchildren. All are welcome; is it not a small sacrifice to make for this vital intention?

**PARISH CHOIR**

We again appeal for new members. We got only one new member in September and lost four since Covid struck. What about a new year resolution?

**FIRHOUSE MENS SHED**

Why not join us in the Scout's Den on Tuesday mornings at 10a.m. for keep fit, coffee and a chat afterwards. Mon. Wed. & Fri. join us for walk at 10a.m. meet at the Speaker Connolly Car Park. Mondays at 10.30a.m. Indoor Bowling in the Hub. "Get out of the bed and into the Shed."

**CHRISTMAS DUES / OFFERINGS**

Many thanks to all for returning their Christmas Dues / Offerings. Offerings may be returned to the Parish Office, Sacristy, the Box's in the Church, or Presbytery 1.

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**

Monthly collection takes place after all Masses  
Next weekend 21<sup>st</sup> /22<sup>nd</sup> January.

**STAYING GROUNDED IN CHALLENGING TIMES**

**(MINDFULNESS)**

*With Teresa Larkin Saturday 21st January 2023  
10am – 3pm Dominican Retreat & Pastoral Centre  
Tallaght Village, Dublin 24 KA40*

All Welcome

Cost: €60 (including lunch and teas & coffees)  
Limited places still available!

Contact Anita 01-4048123 or 4048189 or  
email [dominicanretreats@gmail.com](mailto:dominicanretreats@gmail.com) or  
([www.facebook.com/DominicanRetreatCentre](http://www.facebook.com/DominicanRetreatCentre) ).

**KNOCK PILGRIMAGE**

Date for your diary: Our 2023 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, which will be led by Archbishop Farrell, will take place on Saturday, April 29.

**CHRISTMAS COLOURING COMPETITION**

Congratulations to all who took part in the children's Christmas Colouring Competition organised through the Firhouse Parish Christmas booklet. Winners received prizes of €20.00 vouchers for the new Veritas shop in The Square together with beautiful rosary beads blessed in Medjugorje (in Bosnia Herzegovina) where our Blessed Mother has been appearing to visionaries every day for the last 40+ years. Runners-up also received beautiful rosary beads blessed in Medjugorje. Some winning coloured pictures are on display at the back of the main aisle of the church.

**Mass Intentions for the Coming Week.**

Sat. 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 6p.m.	John Mc Donagh	(Rec.Dec.)
	Bernard & Eileen Mathews	(Anniv.)
Sun. 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 9.30a.m.	Anne Rushe	(Anniv.)
Sun. 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 11.30a.m.	James & Maureen Bagnell	(Anniv.)
	Brendan Clarke	(Rec.Dec.)
	Brendan Meagher	(Rec. Dec.)
Mon. 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 10a.m	Patrick Daly	(Rec. Dec.)
Wed. 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan 10a.m.	Joe Cannon	(Rec. Dec.)
Fri. 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 10a.m.	Michael Moughty	(Rec. Dec.)
Sat. 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan 6p.m.	William Doyle	(Anniv.)
Sun. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan. 9.30a.m.	Ann O'Reilly	(Rec. Dec.)
	Joan & Fintan Roche.	(Anniv.)
Sun. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan. 11.30a.m.	Simon Byrne	(Anniv.)
	Fiachra Treacy	(Anniv.)
	Robert & Molly McKenna	(Anniv.)
	Catherine & Thomas McGreevey	(Anniv.)
	Brendan McGreevey	(Anniv.)
	Patrick Sheilds	(Anniv.)

**WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO:**

Mary Erraught on the death of her Brother  
Joe Erraught R.I.P.