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The parish Child Safeguarding and Protection representatives may be contacted through the parish office.

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Parish partnership working together—

- ◇ **Beechwood Avenue**
- ◇ **Rathgar**
- ◇ **Rathmines**
- ◇ **Harold's Cross**
- ◇ **Mount Argus**

Mass Times in Church of the Holy Name

- **Tuesday and Thursday 10.00am**
- **Saturday 5.30pm Family Mass**
- **Sunday 9.30am (as Gaeilge), 11.00am**
- **Holy Days 10.00am**
- **First Friday of each month 10.00am**

All our Masses are streamed on the parish webcam.

Please use <https://beechwoodparish.com/webcam/> to access Beechwood webcam link.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Tuesdays from 10.30am to 11.30am

Tap and Go machines :

There is a Tap and Go machine at the back of the church to allow you to contribute to the parish. Donations made using this machine remain in the parish.

The other Tap and Go machine at the back of the church is to support the priests of the diocese and the Share diocesan services.

Thank you for your ongoing generous support.

God of all time,

Help us to enter the New Year quietly,

Thoughtful of who we are to ourselves and others,

Mindful that our steps make an impact

And our words carry power.

May we walk gently,

May we speak only after we have listened well.

Creator of all life,

Help us enter the New Year reverently.

Aware that you have endowed

Every creature and plant, every person and habitat

With beauty and purpose.

May we regard the world with tenderness.

May we honour rather than destroy.

Lover of all souls,

Help us enter the New Year joyfully,

Willing to laugh and dance and dream,

Remembering our many gifts with thanks

And looking forward to blessings yet to come.

May we welcome your lavish love.

May we cast off the small vindictive god our fears have made.

May the grace and peace of Christ bless you now and in the days ahead.

Vinita Hampton Wright.

Christmas Offering envelopes are available at the back of the church. If you prefer, you can make an offering online using the donate facility on our parish website.

An offering is received with gratitude. All offerings are remitted in full to the Dublin Archdiocese and are used to support priests in the diocese—those in active ministry and those who are ill or retired. Your continued generous support of your diocesan clergy is very much appreciated.

Sincere thanks to all who have returned Christmas Offerings to date.

Rathmines & Rathgar Bethany Bereavement Support Service (incl. Milltown & Ranelagh)

It's a new year, but January can be a difficult month for those of us who are bereaved. If you feel the need of a listening ear, please consider availing of our service. Our January listening session will take place at: Rathmines Parish Centre (to the left of the church entrance) on the second Wednesday of the month, 10th January, at 10.30 a.m.

For operational reasons it is no longer practical to offer evening sessions in either Rathmines or Rathgar. However, we may occasionally be able to facilitate those who wish to avail of our service and cannot make a morning meeting. For further information please phone: 087 2841276 (Siobhán) or 086 3282151 (Marie).

You may also avail of the Bethany service at Clarendon Street church on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 11 a.m. The Bethany service is confidential, non-judgmental and open to all who have suffered bereavement or other significant loss and who need to speak in a supportive setting. Our trained listeners are here to help. This is a free service. We wish you all a peaceful 2024,
The Bethany Team

New Year Resolutions

While most of New Year Resolutions involve self-improvement – eating less, exercising more – this year, you could also direct your resolutions at helping the environment. Pledge to “Reuse” rather than buy more at the January sales. Upcycle old furniture to give it a new lease of life. Check YouTube for tutorials, or book an upcycling workshop. (Check the Rediscovery Centre in Ballymun, who also teach bicycle repairs). If you have a household item in need of repair, check out www.repairmystuff.ie for a directory of services.

Circular gardening

A garden, allotment or a window box can all be part of the circular economy, and gardening offers a number of circular activities that many people have already been doing for generations. Borrowing your neighbour's hedge cutters, composting your garden and kitchen waste, dividing and sharing plants, or saving seeds for future use might seem like everyday activities for some, but they are also examples of the circular economy in action. Read the RHS advice on the four Rs of greener gardening here: <https://www.rhs.org.uk/garden-inspiration/get-gardening/reduce-reuse-recycle>. It's cheap and environmentally friendly at the same time.

Parish Pastoral Council

Mass intentions this week

Saturday 6th January

5.30pm Kay Colfer (RD)

Carol, Sarah and Daniel O'Riordan (RIP)

Frances Bourn (A)

Special Intention

Alain Belan (RD)

Sunday 7th

9.30am Kathleen and William O'Hagan (A)

11.00am Jack Newman (13th A)

Denis O'Leary (A)

Con Sheehan (A)

Tuesday 9th

10.00am Barry Golden (RD)

Monica O'Grady (RD)

Thursday 11th

10.00am Rosa Flynn (RD)

Saturday 13th

5.30pm Michael Sherlock (RD)

Joe Massey (RD)

Maureen Martin (RD)

Brenda Byrne (RD)

Sunday 14th

9.30am Sean Heneghan (A)

11.00am John Garvey (A)

Denis Yendole (5th A)

Susan Doggett (3rd A) also remembering her late husband Richard on his birthday

We ask for your prayers for the repose of the soul of the late Hilary Byrne whose funeral took place here recently. May she rest in peace. We offer our sympathy to her bereaved family.

We pray for all in our community who are ill or housebound at this time and we pray for those who care for them.

Mass cards are available in the parish office and sacristy. An offering is received with gratitude and is another means of supporting your local clergy. If you make an offering for Mass online, please contact the office with your intention.