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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.

The ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses this weekend. ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese continues to offer:

- **Marriage preparation courses—online, small groups**
- **Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone**
- **A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.**

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously.

Journeying Together in Lent : The Environment

Sandford Parish, St Philip's Milltown Parish and Beechwood Parish

- **Wed 21 February: Sandford Parish Church**
- **Wed 28 February: Church of the Holy Name,**
- **Wed 6 March: Sandford Parish Church**
- **Wed 13 March: Church of the Holy Name**

Meet at 11am for refreshments, followed by a time of bible reading, discussion & reflection.

All are welcome to attend.

"Lent is an occasion for conversion and internal renewal through listening to the Word of God, caring for brothers and sisters who need our help, and prayer, especially to obtain the grace of peace in the world."

Pope Francis

Legion of Mary Annual Retreat

Saturday 24th February 2024 from 10.30am to 4pm at St. Joseph's House, 191 Rathgar Road, Dublin 6. Cost €10.

Tea and coffee will be available. Please bring your own packed lunch.

All Legionaries, auxiliaries and friends are invited to attend.

Return & Recycle

Those of you of a certain age will remember scouring the ditches for empty Fanta bottles that could be swapped for a few pence and immediately converted to sweets. Now those discarded plastic bottles that litter our parks and streets might become just as coveted, ending up in the Reverse Vending Machines in local supermarkets and shops.

While the green bin was collecting 60% of used cans and plastic bottles, 40% was not being recycled. The main issue is that most canned and bottled beverages are not generally consumed in the home – the majority are bought for on-the-go. At best, the empty can or bottle is disposed of in a street bin and not recycled. At worst, it litters roadsides, waterways or ends up in the ocean.

EU Circular Economy legislation calls for Ireland to have a dedicated collection of 77% of beverage bottles by 2025. By 2029, we have to be collecting at least 90%. This is where the incentive of a deposit scheme fits in. Yes, it is an inconvenience for those householders who up to now just used the green bin (you still can, if you are happy to forgo reclaiming the deposit!) but won't it be nice to get on a bus or Luas and not have a can rolling in the aisle? Or pass a public bin that is not overflowing with bottles and cans?

A Quote from Laudato Si:

"No one can ignore the fact that in recent years we have witnessed extreme weather phenomena, frequent periods of unusual heat, drought and other cries of protest on the part of the earth, that are only a few palpable expressions of a silent disease that affects everyone" [LD §5]

Laudato Si' (2015) is the second encyclical of Pope Francis. This encyclical has the subtitle "on care for our common home". It is a worldwide wake up call to help humanity understand the destruction that man is rendering to the environment and his fellow man.

Laudato Si can be downloaded from the laudato-si.va website. Copies of the encyclical are available from Veritas for € 4.99.

Mass intentions this week

Saturday 17th

5.30pm Eilish McAteer (Month's Mind)
Daniel Colfer (RD)
Una Gray (A)
Kathleen and Paddy Diskin (A)
Birthday remembrance of Violetta

Sunday 18th

9.30am Josephine Quirke (RD)
11.00am Donal Boyle (RD)
Betty Collins (RD)

Tuesday 20th

10.00am Mary Buckley (RD)
John Ryan (RD)
Katherine Ryan (RD)
Colin Tolan (RD)

Thursday 22nd

10.00am Special Intention
Maisie O'Reilly (RD)

Saturday 24th

5.30pm John Black (Month's Mind)
Irene Donnelly (RD)
Timmy O'Reilly (2nd A)

Sunday 25th

9.30am
11.00am John Bruton (RD)
Matthew Purcell-Healy (RD)

We ask for your prayers for the repose of the soul of the late Patrick Murphy who died recently. His funeral will take place here on Monday 19th February at 10.00am. May he rest in peace.

We offer our sympathy to his bereaved family.

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.

If you, or someone you know, is housebound and would like a visit from Fr Paul please contact the parish office.