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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.**

**St. Brigid's Day**

**A resurgence of interest in all aspects of our Celtic heritage is leading many to rediscover - and draw inspiration from - the lives of the early Irish saints. St Brigid, the patroness of Ireland, is emerging as one whose life continues to have relevance and inspiration for us as we try to face the issues that confront our country and our world today.**

**The feast of St Brigid is a celebration of the wonderful springing back of the earth from its winter sleep. It is the season when we celebrate new beginnings and new life on earth. Brigid, in keeping with her Celtic traditions, was wonderfully attuned to the seasons and cycles of nature. She valued the elements of nature: earth, air, fire and water.**

**Today, we are becoming more aware of the fragility of our planet but many who are concerned about the environment draw inspiration from the reverence and respect which Brigid had for nature. She is often referred to as the Saint of Agriculture.**

**So as you celebrate your extra bank holiday thanks to St Brigid of Kildare, it is worth remembering that she is a patroness of those who have a care for the earth, for justice and equality, and for peace.**

***(From an article by Sr.Rita Minehan)***

**We marked the Feast of St. Brigid by distributing 2000 daffodils around the parish and the community—to those who receive meals from the wonderful volunteers in Ranelagh Community Response, to local primary schools, nursing homes and to others who may be housebound.**



**We are very grateful to Supervalu, Ranelagh for their generous support and we are also very grateful to the parishioner who makes this happen every year. Thank you!**

**Pope Francis' Intention for February 2024**

**For the terminally ill**

***Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.***

**Day of prayer for survivors of abuse**

**Friday 16th February 2024**

Pope Francis has designated the first Friday in Lent as a day of prayer for the victims of abuse in the global church. For the Archdiocese of Dublin this is a very poignant day, given the history of abuse as set out in the Murphy Report in 2009. This day affords the opportunity to reach out in prayer and to show solidarity with all survivors and victims of abuse.

**The Ceremony of Light for Confirmation children in Scoil Bhride and Lios na nOg takes place this week—Wednesday 7th February and Thursday 8th February.**



The Ceremony of Light is a pre-Confirmation ceremony and is an important event in preparing the children for Confirmation. A key part of the service is when parents hand the lighted Baptismal candle to their child, acknowledging that their child is now ready to become a responsible Christian.

At their child's Baptism, parents light the Baptismal candle from the Paschal candle, symbolising their commitment to pass their faith on to their child. In the same way, at the Ceremony of Light, parents once again light their child's Baptismal candle from the Paschal candle and hand it to their child. In doing so, parents promise to help and support their child live out the call of their Confirmation. They are agreeing, together with their child, to keep the light of faith burning in all of their lives.

We ask for your prayers for the children, their parents, families and teachers at this time.

There will be a Choral Mass this Saturday 3rd February at 5.30pm with the Dublin Consort of Voices. All are very welcome.

Our new 12 space bike rack was installed this week on the Albany Road side of the church! You are all very welcome to use it.



**Mass intentions this week**

**Saturday 3rd**

5.30pm James Nugent (RD)  
Anthony McCarthy (RD)  
Patrick and Mary Byrne (A)

**Sunday 4th**

9.30am David Kelly (RD)  
Patsy Trimble (RD)  
11.00am Tom Odlum (A)  
Noel McLoughlin (RD)  
Ryan O'Connor (RD)  
Jeremiah Buttimer (2nd A)  
Special Intention

**Tuesday 6th**

10.00am George Leahy (RD)  
Catherine Piggott (RD)  
Ned Molloy (RD)  
Bridget Moran (RD)

**Thursday 8th**

10.00am Dessie Harrington (RD)  
John P. Murphy (RD)  
Special Intention

**Saturday 10th**

5.30pm Brid Moran (RD)  
Aidan Fitzgibbon (A)  
Tom Boland (6th A)

**Sunday 11th**

9.30am Brid Moran (RD)  
11.00am Denis Ryan (A)  
John Phelan (RD)  
Samantha Dennehy (RD)

We offer our sympathy to Claire Moran (Parish Pastoral Council) and her family, on the recent death of her mother-in-law Brid Moran. Brid's funeral took place in Galway. May she rest in peace.

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.

**Feast of St Blaise Saturday 3rd February**

There will be blessing of throats after the 5.30pm Mass this Saturday 3rd February—Feast of St. Blaise