

4. Our Parish, Sunday, 16th January 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 15th

9.00a.m.

Maisie Kemmy R.I.P.

Months Mind

Sunday 16th January

6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)

Pat Bugler R.I.P. (A)

Maureen & Jack Galvin

R.I.P. (A)

Kevin & Mary Delaney

R.I.P. (A)

Denis & Eileen Delaney

R.I.P. (A)

10.30a.m.

Sarah Byrne R.I.P. (A)

12 Noon

James Keogh R.I.P. (A)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 23rd January

6.30p.m (Sat Vigil)

John Mooney R.I.P. (A)

Maureen Casey R.I.P. (A)

9.00 a.m.

Frances Garvey R.I.P. (A)

10.30a.m.

Larry, Anne, Liam &

Miriam Lynch R.I.P. (A)

12 Noon

Anthony Dunne R.I.P.

Recently Deceased

*Psalm 95: "O sing to the Lord, bless his name. Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all peoples"*

*Reading References for Sunday 23rd January, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Neh 8:2-6, 8-10. Ps 18:8-10, 15, R/Jn 6:33. 1Cor12:12-30 (shorter form 12:12-14,27). Lk1:1-4, 4:14-21. Sunday Of The Word Of God.*

Mass Collections  
6th January  
(Feast of the Epiphany)

1st Collection €435

2nd Collection €340

Sunday 9th January

1st Collection: €1,455

2nd Collection €710

Family Offering: €835

Thank you for contributing so generously.

**ST. JOHN BOSCO JUNIOR BOYS' SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR JUNIOR INFANTS 2022**

We are accepting applications for Junior Infants September 2022 **The closing date for completed applications is 31st January 2022.**

An application form can be downloaded from our website: <http://www.stjohnboscojbs.com>.

Please return to the secretary's office by

**31st January 2022**

**MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS G.N.S. Enrolment For Junior Infants 2022**

We are now accepting applications for Junior Infants September 2022. The closing date for receipt of applications is **January 31<sup>st</sup> 2022.** More information on the enrolment process can be found on: [www.maryhelpofchristians.ie](http://www.maryhelpofchristians.ie)

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: STOUTT FAMILY**

Mary & the Family of the Late Paddy Stoutt R.I.P. Blackhorse Avenue, would like to thank our neighbours and friends, the Priests of the Parish, Fr. John O'Brien for the wonderful Funeral Mass. All who sent Mass Cards, Everlasting Cards & letters of support. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Our Lady Help of Christians, Navan Road Parish, Dublin 7



# Our Parish

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16th JANUARY 2022**



## REFLECTION

The changing of water into wine is a symbol of what Jesus was about.

He changed beyond recognition the lives of those who came into contact with him.

Lord, touch our hearts with your love, and strengthen our wills with your grace, so that we may persevere in goodness, and in your great mercy, bring us to the wedding feast of the Kingdom of Heaven.

*"At Cana Jesus' disciples become his family and at Cana the faith of the Church is born. We are all invited to the wedding feast, because the new wine will never run short!" Pope Francis*

## 2022 Celebrating 70th Year Anniversary of the Building of our Church

If you have some interesting memories of Parish Events from the early decades please put pen to paper. Mark it for the attention of Fr. John O'Brien and drop them into 211 Navan Rd. or the Parish Office.

It is planned to collate a 'Booklet of Reminiscences'

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

**18th -25th JANUARY**

Jerusalem is a powerful symbol for Christians because it is “The City of Peace”, where all humanity was saved and redeemed. But today peace is missing from the city. Even prayer in Jerusalem has become subject to political and military measures. Various parties stake their claim to it and disregard others. Jerusalem was the city of kings, indeed the city that Jesus will enter triumphantly, acclaimed as king (Lk 19:28-44). Naturally the Magi expected to find the new-born king revealed by the star in this royal city. However, the narrative tells us that, rather than being blessed by the birth of the Saviour king, the whole of Jerusalem was in tumult, much as it is today. Today, more than ever, the Middle East needs a heavenly light to accompany the people.

In this context Christians are called to seek the new-born king, the king of gentleness, peace and love. But where is the star that leads the way to him? It is the mission of the Church to be the star that lights the way to Christ who is the light of the world. By word and through action the Christian people are called to light the way so that Christ might be revealed, once again, to the nations. Yet divisions dim the light of Christian witness and obscure the way, preventing others from finding their way to Christ. Conversely, Christians united in their worship of Christ, and opening their treasures in an exchange of gifts, become a sign of the unity that God desires for all of creation. The Covid-19 global pandemic; the economic crisis that has followed and the failure of political, economic and social structures to protect the weakest and most vulnerable; and the racism that blights our communities have underlined the global need for a light to shine in the darkness.

The star that shone in the East, (the Middle East), two thousand years ago still leads us to the manger, to where Christ was born. It draws us to where the Spirit of God is alive and active. After encountering the Saviour and worshipping him together, the Magi return to their countries by a different way, having been warned in a dream.

The communion we share in our prayer together must inspire us to return to ourselves, our churches and our world by new ways.

*(Full text on Parish Website [www.navanroadparish.com](http://www.navanroadparish.com))*

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**The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday**

**9.a.m. to 1 p.m.**

*Shop items 2022 Calendars & signed Mass Cards (shared Masses) are available from the Parish Office*



**THANK YOU FROM GOAL**

Many thanks to the many families and individuals who braved the weather to come out to support GOAL's Annual

Christmas Day Mile in the Phoenix Park.

Your generous donations on the day and online raised over **€7,000** for GOAL's humanitarian work in developing countries.

**MAINTENANCE GARDENER REQUIRED FOR PARISH GROUNDS**

Experienced Gardening Contractor required to maintain the Church Grounds & Parish Property Grounds.

Must have Tax Clearance and Insurance.

**If interested please contact Fr. John O’Brien Ph: 018681436 for further details.**

**DIOCESAN TASK FORCE REPORT is available to view on the Parish Website. Please ask in the Parish Office if you would like a printed copy. <https://navanroadparish.com/building-hope-task-force-report-dublin-diocese/>**

**NAVAN ROAD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

We would like to wish a Happy New Year to our members and many supporters, and hope it will be a better year for everyone everywhere. Many thanks to Newsletter, helping us to get information out to all, especially many people not on the internet.

**ELECTRIFICATION OF MAYNOOTH RAIL LINE & CLOSURE OF LEVEL CROSSINGS:**

2 weeks & 2 days before Christmas, on 7th December, our Government announced approval for DART+ Maynooth preliminary business case, and gave permission for this proposal to go forward to An Bord Pleanála for a Railway Order - at some stage this year. A statutory consultation will take place under Bord Pleanála. The budget for entire plan is currently estimated at €969 million-€1.1 billion, funded from the National Development Plan. **NEW ITEM;** We have since been informed that there will first be another consultation on the Ashtown site, which currently includes a deep tunnel in place of Ashtown Road being closed off to become a cul de sac/separating North & South sides of Rail lines & Canal walks. We submitted detailed professional advice on DROPPING THE RAIL LINE AT ASHTOWN - instead of a deep, dangerous and anti-social tunnel, so we hope that is now a new consideration. There are no dates yet for this 3rd consultation.

**CLICK ON LINK** [https://youtu.be/wSS15\\_F3e1U](https://youtu.be/wSS15_F3e1U)



**DIOCESAN SYNODAL PATHWAY**

*For a Synodal Church:  
 Communion, Participation and Mission*