

The Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar Parish Newsletter

24th January 2021

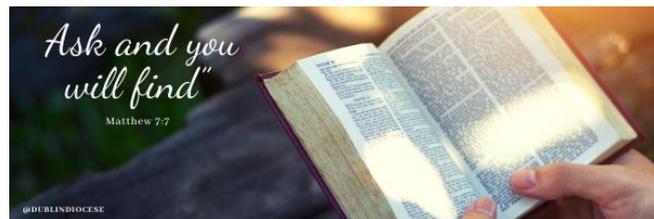
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Sunday of the Word of God

The Diocesan Child Safeguarding Policy is published on all notice boards in the Church and the Parish Centre, and copies of the document are available to read in the Parish Office and the Parish Centre. For further information please see www.csps.dublindiocese.ie

In accordance with Government and Archdiocese guidelines, there will be no public Masses in Three Patrons until further notice.

The church will remain open for private prayer
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday from 10.30am - 7.00pm
Tuesday and Thursday 10.30 – 5.00pm
Sunday 11.00am to 7.00pm

Mass will be celebrated in Three Patrons at the following times:

Sunday: 10.00am
Monday, Wednesday Friday, Saturday: 10.00am
Tuesday and Thursday: 5.30pm

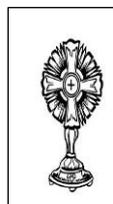
These Masses will be available to view on the parish webcam at rathgarparish.ie

Beechwood Parish
Saturday Vigil 5.30pm
Sunday (as Gaeilge) 9.00am;
Tuesday, Thursday: 10.00am.
Webcam: Beechwoodparish.com

We ask everyone who visits the church to wear a face covering, and to practice hand sanitising and social distancing, in order to protect everyone's health.

Stay safe and well everybody

Eucharistic Adoration
takes place
Monday – Saturday
6.00pm – 7.00pm



Diarmuid Martin was a competent leader.

Michael Commane

Diarmuid Martin is about to hand over his episcopal baton to his successor Dermot Farrell, though of course, he remains an archbishop.

In the Eucharistic Prayer the priest prays for the pope and the bishop of the diocese. It is a long and wholesome tradition that the assembled people pray for their bishop and the pope. It's a lovely reminder of the unity of the community and it is also a prayer of hope that in spite of all our differences we are in unity with our bishop and pope. No, not that we are nodding the head in subservient obedience, rather that the unity of people, with their bishop and pope help us on our pilgrimage or journey, that ultimately leads us to God.

Once Dermot Farrell has been appointed in Dublin he's installed as archbishop we'll be moving from Diarmuid to Dermot.

In his 16 years as archbishop in Dublin Diarmuid Martin made it a priority of his ministry to clean up the long sad legacy of clerical child sex abuse in the diocese. It was by no means an easy job. He was a most competent church leader, who also performed well on radio and television and had no problem answering difficult questions, honestly.

I have met Diarmuid Martin a number of times. On every occasion I found the man interesting and engaging. Maybe because both of us have an interest in things German made it easier for us to converse.

On one visit when I thought I might get 15 minutes of his time, we spent an hour chatting. And on another occasion, when I called on him for advice I found him most helpful and indeed decisive.

At least from my perspective I got the impression that he had an inspiring and forward-looking understanding of the role of the church in the world in which we live.

I can well imagine it's a lonely ministry being a bishop. Dealing with priests can't be the easiest of jobs!

That reminds me of hearing a story about a well-known priest in Dublin, who having fallen out with Diarmuid Martin, never again mentioned his name at Mass.

Diarmuid Martin was not everyone's favourite person, certainly not the priest who stopped mentioning his name at Mass. I found him a fine man and he was certainly always polite and kind to me. I never had any inhibition telling him exactly what I thought and I felt he appreciated that.

I wish him every joy and happiness on his new journey. Diarmuid, thank you for your listening ear and your kindness.

And thank you too for your leadership as archbishop during often difficult times.

Collections on 17th January 2021

First Collection €175

Second Collection €110

Thank you for your support for these collections, and for your contributions to the Parish Fund each month. If you would like to contribute during the current lockdown, please use the envelopes at the back of the church, the **DONATE** button at rathgarparish.ie, or the new 'Tap and Pay' facility mentioned below. *Thank you*

Tap and Pay Facility

We have now installed two 'Tap and Pay' machines at the back of the church.

These will allow non-cash donations to be made to the Archdiocese; 60% of your donation will go towards the priests of the Diocese, and 40% will go to Share.

Thank you all for your continued generosity during these difficult days.

Fr Paul

**We extend our sincere
sympathy
to the family and friends
of**

**Brian J Hillery
whose funeral took place
in Three Patrons
on Saturday.**

May he rest in peace



Novena to St Brigid 23rd Jan to 1st Feb

The novena to St Brigid will take place from 23rd January to 1st February, and prayer cards are available at the back of the church. If you cannot join in until later, do not worry, you can extend the nine days after the feast of St Brigid on 1st February.

Novena Prayer to St Brigid

“O Glorious St. Brigid,
Patroness of Ireland and of this Church,
protect the Irish Church and preserve the true
Faith in every Irish heart, at home and abroad.
Obtain for us the grace to walk faithfully
in the path of Christian perfection during life,
and so to secure a holy and happy death,
with life everlasting, in thy blessed company,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen”.