

# The Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar

## Parish Newsletter

20<sup>th</sup> June 2021



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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.csp.s.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.csp.s.dublindiocese.ie)

**In accordance with Government and Archdiocese guidelines, public Masses will return to Three Patrons from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021, with an attendance of 50 people**

**The following is the schedule:**

**(Please note change of time on Sunday to 12.15pm Mass)**

**Sunday 10.00am; 12.15pm; 6.00pm**

**Monday to Friday: 7.30am**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10.00am**

**Tuesday, Thursday: 5.30pm**

These Masses will be available to view on the webcam at [rathgarparish.ie](http://rathgarparish.ie).

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

**Beechwood Parish**

**Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm**

**Sunday (as Gaeilge): 9.00am; 11am**

**Tuesday, Thursday: 10.00am**

**Webcam: [Beechwoodparish.com](http://Beechwoodparish.com)**

### From the Pastor's Desk

On this Father's Day we affirm the good work that so many fathers do on a daily basis. The first place that each of us met love was in the arms of our parents. A newborn person, knowing nothing, we saw love looking down on us in the eyes of our mothers and fathers.

The practical expression of fatherly love has changed over the years. Today is not unusual to see a dad pushing a buggy. In the past, often due to the different work patterns, some fathers had poor emotional bonds with their children. If you don't waste time playfully with your child when they are young, you have little chance of stabilising a robust bond when they become adults.

As a society, we face serious challenges in supporting family unity when the active presence of a father figure is absent and I think that grandparents have a role here.

On Father's Day too, we give thanks to God for the care our priests, our spiritual fathers, have provided in parish life over the years.

The recent new initiative of Archbishop Farrell to provide 'Summer Dues' for the support of the priests of the diocese, give us an opportunity to care for those who cared for us. The Covid restrictions have had a serious effect on the normal Sunday Masses and collections lapsed for months on end.

People are good and I know many of you will respond to the Archbishop's appeal to support the 'Summer Dues'. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

*Fr Paul.*

***Copies of the letter about the new Summer dues initiative from Archbishop Dermot Farrell are available at the back of the church.***

### **MASS TIMES**

As and from 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021,  
**12 noon Mass will be celebrated at 12:15pm.**  
Please make a note of this important time change.

### **Collections on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**First Collection** €625  
**Second Collection** €290

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](http://rathgarparish.ie), or the new 'Tap and Pay' facility at the back of the church. *Thank you*

### **Summer at St Vincent de Paul**



We know many of you have been wondering how to donate to the Rathgar conference of St Vincent de Paul, in the absence of their normal monthly outdoor collection. We have envelopes at the back of the church, into which you can place your donation, and then put it in the safe beside the Pieta shrine, and there is also a St Vincent de Paul facility on the **DONATE** button on the parish website [rathgarparish.ie](http://rathgarparish.ie).

Your continued generosity is very much appreciated at this difficult time *Thank you*

### **INTERDIOCESAN RETREAT ARDS FRIARY RETREAT CENTRE**

We are pleased to advise that due to the easing of restrictions in June we are able to schedule the Interdiocesan Retreat this year from Sunday, 20th to Thursday, 24 June. Kindly let us know if you would like to join the retreat; you can call us at: 074 913 8909. It would be helpful to our catering staff if, at the time of booking, you could advise of any special dietary requirements that you may have.

### **Prayer for Leaving Cert Students**

As this year's Leaving Certificate exams enter their final week we continue to pray for all our students. Lord, pour out your Spirit of Wisdom on these students: help them to remain calm, to attend carefully to the questions asked, to think clearly, to remember accurately, and to express themselves well. Grant that they may reflect on the best of the work they have done and the best of the teaching they have received. Accept their best efforts in these examinations and in the great test of life on earth. May your love be upon them, O Lord, as they place all their trust in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

### **MASS CARDS**

are available in the parish office  
9.30am-12.00pm Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri,  
or in the sacristy after Mass