

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Newsletter 21st July 2024

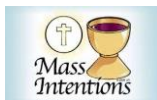
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Sacristy: -8400547 (Mon –Fri 9.30am-9.55am and 10.30am to 10.50am) Website: www.swords-parish.com Email:parishoffice@stcolmcilleschurch.ie
Facebook: St. Colmcille's Church, Swords & Church of the Visitation, Drynam
Mass times: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 10.00am, Thurs Communion Service 10.00am.
Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm, Sunday 11.30am Confessions: Saturday 6.00pm - 6.20pm

Church of the Visitation Drynam, The Visitation of the BVM
Mass Times for Drynam: Sun, 10.00am,



Mass times St Finian's Church Rivervalley
Mon – Fri 10.00am, Saturday 11.00am (Vigil) 5.30pm. Sunday 10.00am & 12 noon

Mass Intentions this Weekend
Sat 6.30pm Patricia Murphy (1st An)
John Jennings
Sun 11.30am Tom Gavillet
Anthony McQuillan
Darren Sower



Mass intentions for next week
Mon 10.00am Julia Anthony
Tues 10.00am Michael Pentony **Sat** 6.30pm
Wed 10.00am Special Intention
Thurs 10.00am **Communion Service** **Sun** 11.30am Kevin Leonard
Fri 10.00am Special Intention Paddy Dillon
Ella Lawless

Bethany Bereavement Support Group are offering telephone support please contact, Brid at 086 6006397 from Sunday 21st to Saturday 27th July. Please phone after 6pm.
Details on the Parish website. You can also find information on <https://bethany.ie>

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently:
Kevin Byrne Watery Lane



St Colmcille Volunteer Sacristan

We are looking for some volunteer sacristans, if you are interested and available please contact Jennette in the sacristy for more information.

Pope Francis ' Laudato Si'

Laudato si' (*Praise Be to You*) is the second encyclical of Pope Francis, subtitled "on care for our common home". In it, the Pope critiques consumerism and irresponsible economic development, laments environmental degradation and global warming, and calls all people of the world to take "swift and unified global action."
We in St Colmcille's are playing our small part. The lawn at the Parochial House is being managed for wildlife. This means we did not mow the lawn in May (no mow May) and for next few months we are only partly mowing it to help with biodiversity. A large number of wildflowers have emerged in the lawn. If you want to manage your own garden for wildlife, there are some leaflets at the back of the Church. Our newly formed **Laudato Si** group are working in the cemetery along with the volunteers who have been maintaining the cemetery. Over the next few months there will be updates on the work they are doing. If you are interested and would like to join the group, please contact Colette at the Parish Office.

Tax Refund on donations.

We recently sent out acknowledgment letters to Parishioners for generous donations received for family offering and dues for 2023
You may be able to boost Parish funds as a result of your generous donations. The Tax Relief for donations scheme applies both to self-employed or those who pay income tax under the PAYE system. The Parish can claim back any tax paid on donations of €250 or over in the Tax Year, there is no cost to the donor. Christmas, Easter & Summer Dues and Family offerings qualify for this scheme.
Some of the acknowledgment letters had CHY3 Forms included. If you received one of these forms and have not returned it, we would be grateful if you could return it to the Parish Office or Sacristy
If there is was no CHY3 form enclosed with the letter you do not need do anything as we have it on file from last year.
Once again, we would like to thank you for your on-going support and generosity to the Parish.

Communion Service

A Communion Service will take place on **Thursday 25th July** at 10.00am In St Colmcille's Church. All are welcome