



**Holy Redeemer Parish
Community of Faith,
Welcome and Service
Sunday 28th April 2019**



*** IMPORTANT NOTICES ***

EVENING MASS

There will be a 7pm Evening Mass Monday to Friday this week.

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN HOLY REDEEMER

Sundays	9:00am Irish language Mass 10:30am, 12:00pm, 6:00pm
Monday to Friday	10:00am and 7pm
Saturday	10.00am
Office Hours	Monday - Friday 9.30am-12.30pm
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OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS LAST SUNDAY

Both 1st and 2nd Collections are sent into the Diocesan Offices where they are distributed equitably. However, the Planned Giving envelopes collection is retained in the Parish and is used for the day to day running costs such as light, heat, staff, insurance etc.

First Collection (Common Fund) amounted to €2143.00

The first collection supports the priests of our parish, sick and retired priests, priests in low income parishes and priests working in special ministries throughout our Diocese.

Second (Share) Collection amounted to € 1457.00

The Share Collection provides essential pastoral services supporting all parishes. Share also provides support to low income parishes and contributes to initiatives of the Irish Bishop's Conference.

Thank you for your on-going generous support

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Holy Rosary Group - Monday - Saturday** after 10am mass led by Antoinette Farrell in the Main Church
- **Miraculous Medal and Rosary - Monday** after 7pm Mass in the side chapel
- **Lectio Divina** each **Tuesday** at 11am in the Presbytery.
- **Holy Face Devotions—Tuesday** immediately after the 7pm Mass main church (Prayer booklets available for new members)
- **Prayer group with Exposition - Wednesday** after 7pm Mass in the side chapel
- **The Nazarine Community Charismatic Prayer Group —Wednesday** Little Flower Hall 8pm
- **Silent Holy Hour — Friday** in the side chapel 11am to 12noon
- **The Prayer Group** that met during Lent will meet again, starting on Thursday 2nd May at 8pm in the Side Chapel to review the Sunday Gospel readings for the following Sunday. All are most Welcome.



CAKE SALE FOR THE CHURCH AND PARISH REFURBISHMET

Thanks to all who supported our efforts on the day and gave so generously. A big thanks to all the volunteers who sold cakes, tickets, served teas/coffees etc. A special thanks to **Keegan's Bakery, The Larder** and **Avoca Kilmacanogue** for their generous donations of cakes. Amount raised: €888.00

REFURBISHMENT OF HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH AND PARISH CENTRE - '1,000 Steps Initiative.'

Thanks to all of you who have already contributed to this worthwhile project.

If you haven't done so yet please remember to return your donations/pledge form to the Parish Office or to the Sacristy. All contributions, large or small, will be greatly appreciated. We have now reached the €8,80291mark. (267steps). Thank you once again for your extremely generous support.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF OUR CHURCH AND PARISH CENTRE

Saturday 11th May at 3pm

Guided Tour of Holy Redeemer Church with local Historian Brian White. Suggested Donation: €5

Sunday 23rd June at 8pm

Sarah Power, Soprano and the Gaudium Choir, conducted by Pat Carey, in a programme of songs, arias and choral music from five centuries in the Church.

Sunday 17th July at 12 noon

Holy Redeemer Parish Feast Day

Family Fun Day for all in the Parish grounds.

We look forward to seeing you there.

HAND-OUTS OR DONATIONS

Sometimes we are left wondering, will the money we have given to those begging at the Church doors make matters worse for them? Sadly, the answer is **yes**. That is where organisations like the Five Loaves, Simon, Vincent de Paul and addiction support groups, can help us.

These unfortunate "neighbours" who beg, are well known to the support organisations. These organisations are only too willing to provide the necessary help and support to address their particular issues. We would, therefore, **strongly** recommend that you **do not give money directly** to those who beg at the Church door. Instead, if you do want to help, we would encourage you to give through the helping organisations. Money given at the Church door, unfortunately, is used for the wrong purposes. Some people have even said that they feel intimidated, which is a worrying development.

For this reason, we have asked the Gardai to be a presence for a number of weeks after Masses so as to discourage drug dealing in the plaza in front of the Church. Unfortunately, it has Become a favourite area for this trade. We would ask you instead to support the town's charities and support groups who provide for the real needs of the poor and afflicted.