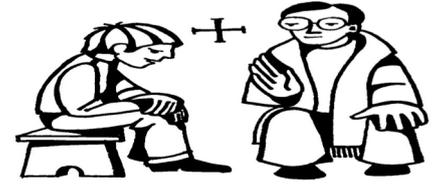




Your Prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Ger McGrath**, St John's Crescent & for comfort and consolation for his wife Trish and family. Ger was well known among parishioners as a *painter & decorator*, and did a fine job painting the inside of the church last Autumn. May Ger's kind and gentle soul **Rest In Peace**. Ger's funeral Mass was

celebrated here on Friday. *Fágann saol maith ina dhiaidh oidhreacht álainn.*

Congratulations to the children of our two 2nd Year Classes, their families, teachers, & SNA's, after celebrating their **First Confession** here in the Church last Wednesday evening. It was a beautiful and simple service, where thanks to Fiona, it was accompanied by inspiring and conducive music.



There are still a couple of weeks left in Lent for you to participate in a new initiative: "**Bringing Jesus Home**," discussed at the last meeting of the combined Clondalkin parishes. Parishioners are invited to host a **short period of Adoration** in their home, where they invite friends and neighbours to attend.. A **simple prayer schedule sheet**, will also be provided. Please leave your name, Address and phone number in the Sacristy, if you would like to **host such a time of Adoration** in your home during the remaining weeks of Lent.

Please note that **Mass for the Feast of St Patrick** on Tuesday, will be **at 10 a.m.** Also, because of the **Confirmations on Friday**, there will be no 9.15 am Mass, nor Stations of the Cross that day. Please continue to keep all the Confirmation candidates, their families and teachers in your prayers.

A Prayer for Mothers on Mother's Day

*Heavenly Father, What a gift it is to celebrate the **Mothers** in our presence today. Thank You for the **life, love, and strength** You've poured into their hearts. You created Mothers with such tenderness and purpose. We know the road of Motherhood isn't easy, but You equipped them for every step—and it shows in the **way they love, lead, and care for their families**. We lift up every Mother here with us today, and those who couldn't be here too. Cover them in Your kindness. Fill them with **joy, hope, and peace**, that only You can give. Please meet them in their needs, quiet their anxious thoughts, and refresh their souls. **May they lean into You for wisdom, strength, and grace**—and may that overflow into their homes and hearts. May they feel deeply appreciated and honoured, not just today, but every day. Thank you Lord for our Mothers, both living, and those who are enjoying their eternal reward. Amen.*



Thanks to all who helped the local **Sruleen Residents Group** in their **Pre-Confirmation Parish Clean-Up** on Saturday last. Very much appreciated.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE!

Two young children ordered their Mother to stay in bed one Mother's Day morning. As she lay there looking forward to breakfast in bed, the smell of bacon floated up from the kitchen. But after a good long wait, and with no sign of any room service, she finally went downstairs to investigate. She found them both sitting at the kitchen table eating bacon and eggs. "As a surprise for Mother's Day," one explained, "we decided to cook our own breakfast."