

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral NEWSLETTER

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Mass Times

Monday to Friday - 8.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12.45 p.m. and 5.45 p.m.

Saturday - 8.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12.45 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. (Vigil Mass) - (Cantor & Organ)

Sunday - 10 a.m. (*St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir**) 11 a.m. (The Palestrina Choir*), 12.45 p.m. (Cantor & Organ) & 6.30 p.m. (Pro Nuova Music Group) [*during choir term]

Pro-Cathedral closes immediately after Evening Mass

<u>Confessions</u>

Monday to Friday - After 8.30 a.m. & 12.45 p.m. Mass Saturday - 11.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.15 to 2.15 p.m. Penitential Service last Saturday of each month at

11.30 a.m. Italian Mass—second Sunday of every month at

3 pm in Cathedral.

Sunday Mass Schedule from 5th March

9.30 a.m., 11 a.m., 12.45 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.

Thank You - 18th/19th February - First Collection (*Priests'*) €1,290 Second Collection (*Accord*) €1,487



Cardinal Desmond Connell RIP 24 March 1926-21 February 2017

Archbishop Desmond Connell was born in Phibsboro on the 24th March 1926. Educated at St. Peter's National School, Phibsboro and Belvedere College, he studied for the priesthood at Clonliffe College and was ordained by Archbishop John Charles McQuaid on the 19th of May 1951. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from University College Dublin in 1946 and was awarded an M.A. the following year. From 1947 until 1951 he studied theology at Maynooth and was awarded a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1950.

Archbishop Connell studied at the University of Louvian, Belgium from 1951 to 1953, when he was awarded a doctorate in philosophy. From 1953 Archbishop Connell worked in the department of Metaphysics in U.C.D. He was appointed

Professor of General Metaphysics in1972 and elected Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy and Sociology in 1983 and re-elected 3 years later. He has written on philosophical and theological subjects. For his published work he was awarded the degree D. Litt. by the National University of Ireland in 1981. Dr. Connell was a member of the Irish Hierarchy's theological commission, and of the Diocesan Committee on Ecumenism. He was made a Prelate of Honour by the Pope with the title of Monsignor in 1984. He served as chaplain to three communities of contemplative sisters, the Poor Clares, Donnybrook (1953-55), the Carmelites, Drumcondra (1955-1966) and the Carmelites in Blackrock from 1966. Archbishop Connell's motto is Secundum Verbum Tuum ("According to thy word"). It is the well known response of Our Lady's to God's call at the Annunciation, "be it done unto me according to thy word" (Luke 1:38).

Requiescat in Pace

From Ashes to Light The Lent Readings for prayer and preaching **5 THURSDAYS OF LENT** 2nd , 9th, 16th 23rd & 30th March 2017 From 11.30 a.m. to 12.40 p.m.

with Fr Kieran J. O'Mahony, OSA

LENTEN CONCERT Sunday 5th March at 8 p.m. with St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir, Dublin Bach Singers, Marlborough Baroque *Tickets* €20 (available from Parish Office)

Ash Wednesday 1st March 2017

Ashes will be distributed after the Gospel during all Masses, 8.30a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12.45 and 5.45 p.m.

There will be a short Service of The Word of God at 9 a.m., 10.40 a.m., 11.45 a.m., 12.15 p.m. & 1.30 p.m. during which ashes will be distributed.

Please note Distribution of Ashes will only be take place during the Celebration of Mass and Service of the Word of God.