



St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral NEWSLETTER

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Staff of the Pro-Cathedral - Very Rev Damian F. Canon O'Reilly, Adm., Monsignor Francis Walsh, P.C., Fr Brendan Staunton, SJ, P.C., Sr. Patricia Somers, RSC (Parish Sister)

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 - 9.30 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

Confessions

Monday to Friday - After 8.30 a.m. & 12.45 p.m. Mass

Saturday - 11.30 a.m. to 12 noon & 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.

Thank You - 29th/30th April - 1st Collection (*Priests'*) €1,235
Second Collection (*Share*) €885

2017 World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- ◆ Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- ◆ Keep our priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- ◆ Encourage your children, grandchildren or other young children to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- ◆ Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's will.

"There can be no promotion of vocations or Christian mission apart from constant contemplative prayer . . . above all, by the cultivation of a personal relationship with the Lord in Eucharist adoration, the privileged place for our encounter with God."

(Pope Francis' Letter for 2017 World Day of Prayer for Vocations)

Copy of the Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 54th World Day of Prayer for Vocations *Led by the Spirit for Mission* is available at the back of the Cathedral.

This weekend the Second Collection is for the support of Dublin Diocesan Students preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood. *It will replace the Share Collection.*
Thank you for your support.



I ask parish communities, associations and the many prayer groups present in the Church, not to yield to discouragement but to continue praying that the Lord will send workers to his harvest. May he give us priests enamoured of the Gospel, close to all their brothers and sisters, living signs of God's merciful love.
- Pope Francis

Next weekend, we will welcome to our parish, a member of the **Volunteer Mission Movement (VMM)** who are presently visiting parishes throughout the Diocese of Dublin. VMM is an international lay Catholic Missionary organisation founded in 1969, who have sent thousands of volunteer missionaries to Africa in past 50 years. VMM recruits, trains and supports skilled volunteers with professional or technical expertise to work in communities in Africa in areas such as education, health, support services and so much more. VMM's overall purpose is to enable and support lay people to participate in the mission of promoting justice, respect and dignity for all. Currently they are supporting more than 50 volunteers in nine countries on a variety of missionary and development programmes. To help support the valuable missionary work of VMM an exit door collection will take place at the masses next weekend.

