



St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral NEWSLETTER

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Mass Times

Monday to Friday: 10.30 a.m. and 12.45 p.m. Saturday: 10.30 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.

Confessions

Monday to Saturday after the 10.30 a.m. Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday after the 10.30 a.m. Mass to 12.30 p.m.

National Collection for the World Meeting of Families 2018



Please support the third National Collection for WMOF2018 which will be taken up in our parish this weekend (24 & 25 February).

This collection will replace the Share Collection.

WMOF2018

Dublin, Ireland has the great joy of hosting the 9th World Meeting of Families that will take place in just under seven month's time from the 21 - 26 August 2018. The sense of excitement, expectation and anticipation is building by the day as we prepare to welcome families from across Ireland and across the world to our family gathering.

The World Meeting of Families was established in 1994 when Pope Saint John Paul II asked the Pontifical Council for the Family to establish an international gathering of prayer, catechesis and celebration that would draw participants from around the world and that would help to strengthen the bonds between families and bear witness to the crucial importance of marriage and the family to all of society.

And, so the World Meeting of Families was established and to date it has been hosted in Rome, Rio de Janeiro, Milan, Valencia, Mexico City and Philadelphia. Now it's our turn here in Ireland because Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host city for the next World Meeting of Families and he has invited us to reflect on the theme 'The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World'.

The main events of WMOF2018 will take place in Dublin but it is also anticipated that related events, including the hosting of international groups, will take place all over the island of



WMOF2018

- REGISTER to attend
- Sign up as a VOLUNTEER
- HOST A FAMILY from overseas

Celebrate the Joy of Love with families from across the world! ALL ARE WELCOME to this historic event in Dublin from 21 - 26 August 2018.

www.worldmeeting2018.ie

Thank You 17th / 18th February 1st Collection €1,220 2nd Collection (ACCORD) €1,101

God so loved the world!

PRAYING DURING LENT

The Lent Readings 2018 for prayer and preaching



Wednesdays 28th February

7th, 14th & 21st March

St Kevin's Oratory 11.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

with Fr Kieran J. O'Mahony, OSA

On Tuesdays and Fridays from 5.00 to 5.30 p.m. there will be Sung Vespers.

Vespers is also called Evening Prayer, it takes place as dusk begins to fall. Evening Prayer gives thanks for the day just past and makes an evening sacrifice of praise to God (Psalm 141:1).



The local **Conferences of the** St. Vincent de Paul Society will do their monthly collection after all the Masses this weekend.