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### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil:

6.15pm

**Sunday** 9.00 and 11.00 am

Weekdays

9.30am

**Holydays** 

9.30am & 7.00pm

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## PARISH BULLETIN

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# **New Funeral Ministry**

Recently I met the members of our newest Ministry in this parish, our Funeral Ministry, five members in all. Every parish has one now, some have had them for some years. Their purpose is to help organise the arrangements from the church's point of view with the bereaved family, pray with them, sympathise and ensure a dignified and blessed Funeral. Most of all they will acquaint themselves with church practice and the Ritual Prayers. They might call to the house and suggest suitable readings. They will be the representatives of the parish at the removal prayers and leading up to the Funeral Mass.

All this has become necessary because we must prepare for the time when there will be no resident priest here or if he is resident and covering a number of churches. The Funeral team will be first point of contact and brief the priest, introduce him if he has not already met them and know what special requests they might have. They will work as a team with the priest and sacristan to ensure a dignified way of celebrating the Funeral. They would also be sensitive to peoples' privacy and their feelings.

They will probably, like the disciples of old, work in twos. They will not replace the priest, but form a team with him. With God's help they will make the Good News alive for all bereaved families and form a bond of prayer and support at difficult times for people in our parish.

May God who begins all good work, bring it to completion in them.

Fr. Donal

#### **WEEKLY COLLECTION ENVELOPES:**

The 2023 weekly collection envelopes are <u>now available</u> for collection from the Sacristy before and after all the daily Masses and weekend Masses. <u>Please</u> collect your box, as soon as possible, so that they can be used for the first weekend in January, 2023. Many thanks.

# **PARISH NOTICES**

# Holy Day - 8th December, 2022

Next Thursday, 8th December, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses on the day: 9.30am and 7.00pm only. (Please note NO VIGIL MASS on Wednesday 7th).

### St. Vincent de Paul:

The Christmas church door collection will take place next weekend 10th and 11th December. We are grateful to all who were so generous during the year and a special thank you to our collectors.

# **Bishopstown Probus Club:**

Bishopstown Probus Male Group would welcome new members of retired age. Probus is a combination of professional and business retired members. Meetings are held upstairs in the Wilton Library at 11.00am on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Topics of general interest are discussed. For further information contact Eamon Leonard (Secretary) 085 1054365.