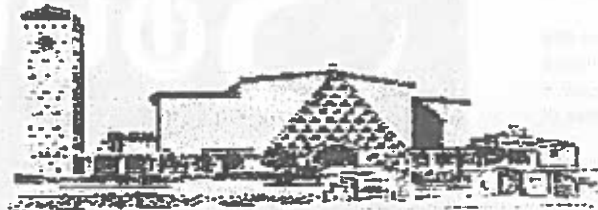


**NEXT BAPTISM
PREPARATION MEETING**
- will be at 8pm, on Tuesday, 20th
March, for the celebration of Bap-
tism on Sunday, 25th March.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil	6.00 pm	Mary & Thomas Connolly (Anniv.) Kevin & Phil Brennan (Anniv.)
Sun.	8.30 am	Special Intention - 50 th Wedding An- niv. Marie Brennan (Anniv.)
	10.00am	Maureen Forde (Anniv.) Health Intention
	11.30am	Thomas J Breen (Anniv.) Una O'Hara (Rec.Dec.) Tom & Hannah McDonnell (Anniv.) Susie McCarthy (Anniv.)
Mon.	10.00am	Maureen Lavin (Rec. Dec)
Tues.	10.00am	Funeral Margaret Ryan
Wed.	10.00am	The McGlue Family Rose & Joe Monahan Betty & Jim Green
Thur	10.00am	Kathryn Mulready (Rec. Dec)
Fri.	10.00am	The Boyle Family

CATHOLIC TEACHING ON THE DIGNITY OF HUMAN LIFE AND REGARDING ABORTION

All priests, in the Dublin Archdiocese, have been asked by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin to draw attention, over the coming weeks, to some basic principles of Catholic teaching concerning the dignity of all human life and regarding abortion. Parishes will continue to receive resources, in particular, the *Choose Life* Newsletters, prepared by the Irish Episcopal conference and circulated by the Communications Office. Attention is also drawn to the statement from the Irish Bishops "Our Common Humanity", which should be printed and made available in parishes. They are also available to download on the Diocesan website: <http://www.dublindiocese.ie/choose-life-2018/>.

Prayers for Life – Intercessions and Scripture reflections from the Diocesan Liturgy Office are also to be made available, which can be used over the coming weeks.

The Christian message is a message of life. It is about how every human life, from the moment of conception, reflects the very life of God. Each of us is created in the image of God. Catholic teaching clearly affirms that each and every human life has unique and irreplaceable dignity. Every human life has the right, from its very beginnings, at conception, to flourish and develop as God wants it to.

The 8th Amendment to the Constitution guarantees equal protection for both mothers and unborn children. All should be equal in the face of the law. Any society, which attempts to define certain lives as being of lesser worth and of lesser protection, betrays the common good.

Raheny Folk Group is open to new members - singers or instrumentalists - all abilities are welcome. If you'd like to join, please contact a member of the group after Mass, or come along to practice on Tuesdays, 8pm, in the Old Baptistry.

The annual Advocate collection for the Sunshine Fund takes place on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th March. The Sunshine Fund, a special works conference of the St. Vincent de Paul provides summer holidays for children all over Dublin who need a holiday. This collection is their only source of funds. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

READINGS Next Sunday

Palm Sunday

Is 50:4-7
Ps 21
Phil 2:6-11
Mk 14:1-15:47



ST. PATRICK - A REFUGEE: Welcoming the stranger

On Thursday, 22nd March, at 7.30 p.m. in St John's Parish Centre, Clontarf Road, there will be an evening consisting of presentations and discussion on issues faced by Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Ireland. Speakers include Tian Yu Lloyd of City of Sanctuary (www.cityofsanctuary.org), Nick Henderson, CEO, Irish Refugee Council (www.irishrefugeecouncil.ie) and Peter Sheekey who runs English Classes for Refugees in Ballybough Community Centre. Some Refugees / Asylum seekers will also speak about their experiences.

The weekly SHARE collection will be replaced at all Masses today with a special collection for Cross Care Youth Services.

R.I. P. Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Patrick Sarfield who died recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest forever in God's peace.