



NEWSLETTER

15th January 2022



Christian Unity Week

18th-25th January 2022

The theme for the 2022 Week of Prayer is 'We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him' (Mt2:2) taken from the account of the visit of the magi to pay homage to the infant king (Mt 2:1-12). It is a call to unity, of those from the North and the South, from the East and from the West, old and young, men and women.



The Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the Faith and order Commission of the World Council of Churches invited the Middle East Council of Churches to offer prayer services and reflections on the theme. Based in Beirut, Lebanon, they have responded from their experience of civil conflict and share many of the travails and difficulties of recent years, including the massive explosion of 4 August 2020 and the pandemic. They reach out to the world, yearning for a light that leads to the Saviour who can overcome darkness.

Please visit our website to read Daily Reflections during the week of Christian Unity:
<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/>

At every Mass, the Church prays for unity and peace, mindful of the prayer of Jesus: 'May they all be one'.

Further Resources: <https://www.irishchurches.org/news-blog/5471/week-of-prayer-for-christian>

Mass Times: All Masses are available on the Parish Webcam:

<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/index.php/live-webcam-stream/>

Sat 15th Jan - 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Sun 16th Jan - 10.15am Family Mass

Sun 16th Jan - 12.15pm Sunday Mass

Mon 17th Jan - 9.15am

Tues 18th Jan - 9.15am

Wed 19th Jan - 9.15am

Thur 20th Jan - 9.15am

Fri 21st Jan - 9.15am

Sat 22nd Jan - 10am

Baptisms



Thanks to the volunteers in the Baptism Team for organising from August 2021 to December 2021, 47 Baptisms and welcoming 47 Children to our community of faith.

To apply for a Baptism: Fill the form (available in the Parish Office), return it to the Office.

Adoration and Holy Hour:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays: 7.30pm

Thursdays: 7pm

Fridays: 2-3pm



Food Bank

Thank You

We are so grateful to every one of you who has generously donated money, vouchers and food to the Food Bank during this Christmas season and during the year 2021.

Thanks to the volunteers for giving their time.

Mass Intentions for the coming week: Anniversaries, Month Mind, Recently Deceased

Sat 15th Jan 6.30pm Paddy & Nancy Egan - RIP

*Sun 16th Jan 10.15am Jim Valentine – 4th Anniv
Joe O'Connor – Anniv
David Corcoran – Rec Dec*

Sun 16th Jan 12.15pm Ihemtuge Rophinie – Rec Dec

Mon 17th Jan 9.15am Special Intentions

Tues 18th Jan 9.15am Special Intentions

Wed 19th Jan 9.15am Special Intentions

Thur 20th Jan 9.15am Special Intentions

Fri 21st Jan 9.15am Special Intentions

Sat 22nd Jan 10am Special Intentions

Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section, please contact the Parish Office with the details by the previous Thursday before 2.00pm.

Recent Church Collections

1st Collection: €95

2nd Collection: €155

Envelopes: €335

Our sincere thanks for your continued generosity

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

	<i>Sat 15th Jan 6.30pm</i>	<i>Sun 16th Jan 10.15am</i>	<i>Sun 16th Jan 12.15pm</i>
<i>Ministers of the Eucharist</i>	Josie Brennan Geraldine Mulhall	John Reilly Estelle Fox	Gerry McNerney Mary McClelland
<i>Ministers of the Word</i>	Ida D'Souza Linda Fernandes	Childrens' Mass	Lynda McNerney Naomi Caguioa

Synod: Our Parish Reps: Mary McClelland & Norvil Caguioa

The Logo for the Dublin Archdiocese Synodal Path is inspired by the phrase 'we are all in the same boat.'

The lighthouse represents the guiding light of the Holy Spirit who guides us on our way.

The boat represents the Church, the People of God journeying together.

The water represents the waters of baptism and the equality of all the baptised.



WHAT IS SYNODALITY?

It's a path or a journey that the People of God take together with each other. In this synodal pathway all the People of God take their part and make their own contribution. When we walk together as the People of God it's called synodality.

For further information: <https://dublindiocese.ie/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Simply-Synod-Updated.pdf>

Key words for Synodal Process:

Communion - Sharing God's life with God and each other. God shares his life with us so that we can experience this and share it with others. At baptism we share in the life of the Father, Son and Spirit. Sharing what gives us life is then an essential part of our call as Christians. Just as God shares his life respecting our freedom, so we too are called to share in an environment that respects freedom, aware that God is with us.

Participation – Taking our part. Through our baptism we are called to take our part in building each other up. In a synodal Church the whole community, in the free and rich diversity of its members, is called together to pray, listen, analyse, dialogue, discern and offer advice on making pastoral decisions which correspond as closely as possible to God's will. In encouraging participation, our efforts to include others must be genuine as we invite those who feel they are on the margins to also take their part.

Mission – We are sent out to tell others about the Good News. All of the baptized are invited to go out to others because the Church exists to proclaim the Good News. For this reason, Pope Francis reminds us that the Church cannot be centred inwards on itself. The dynamic of a synodal path enables the Church to better witness to the Good News. Pope Francis is inviting us particularly to reach out to those who live on the spiritual, social, economic, political, geographical peripheries of our world.

Here are **seven mindsets** that we can cultivate to help us all be synodal:

1 An innovative outlook: We need to be open to develop new approaches. This calls for creativity and courage to step out of the way we usually do things.

2 Being inclusive: If we want everyone to take their part then we need to appreciate variety and include all those we often forget or ignore.

3 An open mind: We can often label others and limit their contribution. We come to a synodal way of working when we are open to new ideas and methods.

4 Listening to each and every one: When we learn from one another, we better reflect the wonderful multi-faceted reality that Christ's Church is meant to be.

5 An understanding of "journeying together": This requires patience as we enable each other to be on a path where we discover God's will together.

6 Understanding the concept of a co-responsible Church: When we value and involve the unique role and vocation of each member for the renewal and building up of the whole Church then we are being co-responsible.

7 Reaching out through ecumenical and interreligious dialogue: We can dream with other Christians, those of other faiths and the entire human family.

Please follow HSE Guidelines & Stay Safe when entering all Parish Premises.



Sacrament of First Penance, First Holy Communion and Confirmation Registration

Registration is now open on our website:

<https://www.lucansouthparish.net/>



All children preparing for the Sacraments take part in the **Grow in Love** Programme in school. This programme helps the child prepare for these two very important sacraments.

We would encourage you to attend Mass with your child as often as possible – ideally every week. The 6.30pm Vigil Mass on the 22nd January will be a dedicated Mass for children and families preparing for the Sacraments.



We are looking forward to sharing with you this journey of faith as your child prepares to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation during these next few months.

Divine Bloom is BACK IN ACTION!

15th Jan
after the 10am
Mass.
All are welcome!



SUPPORT SERVICES

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on www.aware.ie/ If you would like to volunteer with Aware, please see their website for more information: <https://www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/>

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Liturgy Committee Meeting

The Next Liturgy
Committee Meeting will take
place on the 19.01.2022 at 7pm.



*Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9.45am to 1.00pm. Closed Bank Holidays.
Wide range in stock of Mass Cards, General Cards for all occasions.*



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