Mass Intentions

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Sunday:

10.00 am Eileen Keegan (Anniv)

12.00 pm John Brady (Anniv)

Weekdays

Monday

Nora Heney (Rec Dec)

Tuesday

Martin Doyle (Rec Dec)

Wednesday

Mary Finegan (Anniv)

Thursday

Finbar O'Shea (Rec Dec)

Saturday

Thomas McGrath (Anniv)

The first collection for the priests last weekend came to €685 and the second collection for SHARE came to €375



Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Every Friday at 10.00 am

Summer Dues

Please contribute to the Summer Dues.

It is part of the income of your priests. To appreciate its importance, please read the message about the collection from Archbishop Farrell. The message and envelopes are on the tables.

Season of Creation Prayers

Morning

O Lord, open my lips
And my mouth will proclaim your praise.
As morning dawns I praise you, for you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

As I walk the journey of this day, pour out on me the power of your love. Fill me with peace, that I may protect life and beauty.

May I act this day in solidarity with the forgotten of this earth,

And sow beauty, not pollution and

destruction.
In Jesus' name, Amen

Evening
God, come to my assistance.
Lord, make haste to help me.
You are the God of the poor,
You heal all who exist.
May my prayer in the calm of the evening
Unite me with every creature,

as all living families of the earth journey towards your infinite light.

Loving God, I thank you for being with me this day.

Encourage us all, we pray, in our struggle for justice.

Through the night I lift up to you
My hopes for your reign of peace on earth.
In Jesus' name, Amen

This years theme is To hope and act with Creation In the letter of Paul the apostle to the Romans, the biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). Francis of Assisi understood this when he referred to the Earth as our sister and our mother in his Canticle of Creatures. The times we live in show that we are not relating to the Earth as a gift from our Creator, but rather as a resource to be used. And yet, there is hope and the expectation for a better future. To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and quiet, but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles. Just as in childbirth, we go through a period of intense pain, but new life springs forth.