



SANDYFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER

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PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

WEBCAM ONLY

**Monday to Friday 10am
(Saturday Vigil) 6.00 pm**

Sunday 11.00 am



ST. MARY'S

Saturday 23rd May 6pm

Matt & Betty Connors Rec Dec

Bridie Maloney Rec Dec

Thomas Hardiman Rec Dec

Ronnie Nally Rec Dec

Sunday 24th May, 11am

Dave Bacuzzi Month's Mind

Peter & Mary McPartland RIP

Philip Tinley Rec Dec in Chicago

Barry Tinley 2nd Anniv

Seamus & Maureen Tinley Anniv

Jack Mulvey Anniv

Dinah Mulvey Anniv

Val Mulvey Anniv

Derek Coakelin 1st Anniv

Monday 25th May, 10am

Sr Phyliss Hannick 7th Anniv

Sally Madigan Rec Dec

PARISH UPDATES



Our annual **Cemetery Mass in Glencullen** has been postponed until further notice.

Please advise anyone you know who usually attends this Mass.

The **Blessing of Graves at Kilgobbin Cemetery** has been postponed also.



First Holy Communions are also postponed until further notice.

With the current restrictions no celebrations of this kind will take place before the autumn.



Funeral Masses, Weddings and Baptisms will go ahead but within the current Government guidelines.

The **Parish Office** will now be staffed from 9.30 to 12 noon Monday to Friday. Whilst the office will not be open to the public, please feel free to ring or email if you wish to book a Mass Intention, buy a Mass Card or have a query in relation to any other matter.

Just for your information, we now have a number of options in terms of payment or donations including card payment over the phone in addition to the normal methods of cheque and cash.



On the 4th of June, Fr Andrew will celebrate the 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood.

He will celebrate the 10am Mass on that day and a more public celebration will have to wait until the current situation is further resolved.



Dear Parishioners,

It's been another extraordinary week of blue skies and sunshine and the growth around us in the garden is phenomenal.

I truly hope that you can all take the time to enjoy nature at its best.

This weekend we celebrate the feast of The Ascension which is an important feast day that affords us hope, especially in these challenging times. It's also fair to say that this feast can also make us uncomfortable for the questions it raises.

Essentially, we are left in a state of..... 'well that was nice, now where do we go from here?'. Ascension Day tells us that if we are looking for Jesus we need a new way of seeing, a new way of following.....which we have come to call faith.

Faith is not having a position or policy on things rather it's about moving forward. In the fifth century, the sinner turned saint, Augustine, wrote this about Ascension Day: "You ascended from before our eyes. We turn back grieving only to find you in our hearts."

So in other words, if we are looking for Jesus, our faith tells us His presence will be discovered in the community that follows Him and gathers at that table.

Ascension Day reminds us that the story of Jesus is not about the past but about a hopeful future. Without the ascension, Jesus might simply join others among the greatest in history, but our living well and observing gospel values in the tensions of today, means that the story of Jesus becomes a story about the future, yours and mine..... a future bright and secure.

And so the message of the Ascension is a simple one really, Christ has passed beyond our sight not to abandon us but to be our hope. Faithfulness works so keep trying and never quit, Christ's promises will be fulfilled.

Have a good weekend everyone and assuring you of my prayers and good wishes.

The Priests of the Parish continue to be contactable by telephone and the Parish Website will be updated with any ongoing developments. If we can help in any way, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Fr Andrew 01 295 6317.

Fr Paul 01 295 8933.

Fr Andrew



WE HAVE REACHED THE MAXIMUM JACKPOT €8,000
Somebody's going to win, it might as well be you!

Tickets cost €2 each with a minimum spend of €10.

Why not buy an annual ticket for €100 and be in the draw every week for 52 weeks?

We have a card payment machine in the office so now its easier than ever to pay and play. Any queries, please contact the Parish Office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEK'S LUCKY DIP WINNERS WHO EACH WIN €50:

LIAM RYAN AND KATYA SARAFIAN

For more information on how to sign up, play and support the parish, visit our dedicated lotto page at

www.sandyfordparish.org. This week's winning numbers: 16, 17, 18, 21.

(No winner this week).

TAP AND GO DONATIONS

A Tap and Go facility is now available in St Mary's Church and it is located beside the Sacred Heart Altar. You tap your bank card as instructed, to make a €5 donation directly to the Parish. Thank you for your support.



DAILY PRAYER to HOLY SPIRIT

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



REST IN PEACE



We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of **Orla Galligan and Susan O'Neill.**

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Act Of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

