



# 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 20th June 6pm**

Vincent Doonan 1st Anniv  
Nora Bradshaw Anniv  
Thomas Collins Anniv

**Sunday 21st June, 11am**

Jimmy Walsh Anniv  
Josie O'Neill Anniv  
Robert McKenna Anniv

**Monday 22nd June 10am**

Luke & Marie Mahon Rec Dec  
Helen Brophy Rec Dec  
Marie Soini Rec Dec  
Thanksgiving

**Tuesday 23rd June 10am**

Ray Lucy 14th Anniv  
Eleanor Morrissey Rec Dec  
& remembering her daughter Cait Morrissey RIP.

**Wednesday 24th June 10am**

John (Jack) O'Brien 2nd Anniv

**Thursday 25th June 10am**

John O'Hara 8th Anniv

**Friday 26th June 10am**

Anastasia Pennington 10th Anniv

## 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.



The **Parish Office** will continue to 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.



### 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.*



Dear Parishioners,

All of the scripture readings this weekend seem to me to focus on one element of the Christian response that is particularly worthy of attention.

And that, simply enough.....is confidence. A fairly calm, peaceful, even joyous acceptance of whatever it is that the unfolding of our lives may have in store for us.

No matter what the situation may be in which we find ourselves, we must never give in to the temptation to let our experiences be the one standard by which we judge the meaning, the value of that situation.

We must, rather, be constantly open to a higher meaning, another interpretation that may not agree at all with what our experience has been. And for the authors of these three readings there is no doubt at all as to just what this unknowable force at work in our lives may be.

It is, the Hand of God, protecting, directing, guiding our lives along the lines of his plan for the development of humankind.

That's easy enough to believe when our experience of a situation is a pleasant one. Pleasant experiences fit in very readily with our notion of what's God's plan should be.

However that is not the case when our experiences are unpleasant.... painful.... even tragic.

It can be very difficult indeed to see God's plan at work... very difficult to experience the confidence of which the scriptural authors speak.

And I think there are two steps toward making such a beginning.

The first is to resist the temptation to write the script, the temptation to play God by mapping out ahead of time just what his plan should be, along what lines humanity should develop.

That is true of our interaction with other human beings and it is certainly true of our interactions with God. This is a difficult step because it involves living always in the presence of mystery.

The second step is to resist the temptation to expect God to act in our lives in the same way as do the other forces we experience around us.

The presence of God is a very different force. Its effects are not experienced from the outside, but from within.

God's protective hand which so encouraged Jeremiah is seen not so much in what goes into making up the situation in which we find ourselves, but rather in the way in which human beings react to, cope with, and ultimately overcome the situation, however challenging or demanding it might be.

In the Gospel, Christ speaks to us some of his most appealing words. They are simply "Do not be afraid. You will not be destroyed".

No matter what happens (therefore), humankind and each individual human person can, and will .....if they choose..... at a time and in a way that we simply cannot predict.....will overcome!

It is time for all of us to renew our confidence in God.

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:**

**MARY RIDGWAY AND MERCEDES GARVEY**

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: 3, 13, 25, 27.**

(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.

### Virtual Pilgrimage To Knock

The Adoremus virtual Adoration pilgrimage to Knock is taking place on Saturday and Sunday this weekend 20th & 21st June from 2.00pm.

You can access the programme and watch the pilgrimage via webcam at:

LIVE LINK & PROGRAMME –  
Virtual Pilgrimage to Knock  
(Saturday 20th/21st June) Starting @ 2pm  
<https://eucharisticadoration.ie/national-eucharistic-congress-apostolate-of-eucharistic-adoration-pilgrimage-to-knock/>



### REST IN PEACE



We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Brendan Moloney.**

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