



## Confirmation Ceremony for the Boys & Girls

**Next Thursday, 29th May, at 12.00noon.**

**Celebrant: Bishop Paul Dempsey.**

*There will be no 10am Mass on Thursday morning.*

### Devotional Candles

In Thanksgiving to Our Lady are available in the Church and the Parish Office. Offering €1.



**At this time we remember all those who**

**are preparing to sit exams and we invite you to include the names of your loved ones who are sitting exams in the folder at Our Lady's Altar.**

### Prayer

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry;  
When I have work, help me to remember the jobless;  
When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all;  
When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer,  
And remembering, help me to destroy my complacency;  
bestir my compassion, and be concerned enough to help;  
by word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted.  
**Amen.**

*Every Thursday after Mass the Holy Rosary in the Oratory is specifically for vocations to the priesthood.*

*Rosary beads are free for anyone who would like to take them home to pray.*

## WHAT'S ON

### Monday 26th May

**Choir practise** at 7.45pm in the Choir Gallery

### Thursday 29th May

### Confirmation

### Ceremony for the Boys & Girls at 12noon

### Friday 30th May

### Eucharistic Prayer Group

meets in the Oratory from 2.30pm-3.30pm. All are welcome.

### Eucharistic Adoration

### Monday to Friday

**10.30am to 5.00pm. in the Oratory.**



We remember  
**Marcella Graham**  
who died recently  
**MAY SHE REST  
IN PEACE**

**DARE TO HOPE** On Saturday, June 14, the Irish Bishops' Conference, in collaboration with Knock Shrine, will host **Dare to Hope – a dynamic and prayerful gathering for young adults aged 18 to 30.** The event will take place in the Youth Village at the International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock. A €20 attendance charge will enable participants to hear guest speakers, to attend workshops and related events. Dare to Hope will conclude with the celebration of Mass in the Basilica of Our Lady, with Bishop Fintan Gavin of Cork and Ross as the chief celebrant. For more information, visit <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/>.

### SANDYFORD PARISH BLESSING OF GRAVES

**Kilgobbin Cemetery:** Mass for all interred will take place in St. Mary's Church Sandyford at 11am Sunday, June 22, followed by blessing of Graves at 1pm.  
**Glencullen Cemetery Mass,** St Patrick's Cemetery Glencullen: Sunday, July 6, at 3pm (no 10am Mass).

### Matt Talbot: A Saint for Our Times.

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, On Saturday 7th June at 3pm Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell on the centenary of the death of Venerable Matt Talbot.

**Talks will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott St.,**  
**Friday 6th June at 7pm - Matt Talbot: A Saint for our times**

### Matt Talbot International Healing Service

**Sunday 8th June at 2pm - The Church's Role in Addiction and Recovery:**  
a workshop by the Irish Bishops Drug Initiative.

**The importance of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association in today's society,** given by the PTAA

**Thought** Imagine if we could only pray once a year. Or if God only allowed access once a month. We would be highly anxious to get it right and wouldn't miss it. Instead we have a waiting God who wants to hear from us - wants us to seek Him – to come to Him in prayer throughout the day, just like we would multiply text a dear friend. To love Him faithfully and give Him our attention often – to abide.

### Church Collections

w/e 17th/18th May 2025

1st Priests: €793  
2nd Lay Ministry: €874  
Envelopes: €720

### PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

The winning numbers were

**Lotto Nos 4, 7, 8, 12**  
**Jackpot €22,400**

Congratulations to last week's winners of the three €20 Prizes.

The Draw takes place on

Tuesday morning before the 10 a.m. Mass. Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe in the church by 11.00a.m. on Mondays.

All are welcome to attend the draw.



## 5th Sunday of Easter

**First Reading** Acts 15:1-2,22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 66 (67): 2-3,5-6,8

**Response:** *Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Or Alleluia!*

O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help.

**Response**

Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth.

**Response**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him.

**Response**

**Second Reading** Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

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**Gospel Acclamation** Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

**Gospel** John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him,  
and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name,

will teach you everything

and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you,

a peace the world cannot give,

this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know

that I am going to the Father,

for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,

so that when it does happen you may believe.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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