

Parish Newsletter

SUNDAY 12TH APRIL 2026

Archdiocese of Dublin

**Discover the gift that God
has placed within you!**

*“Every vocation
begins with the
discovery that we
are loved by God,
and becomes
a path of joy
when we respond
with trust and
generosity”*
POPE LEO XIV



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Building Hope



OUTDOOR MEDITATION

Donagh O'Shea

16 May 10am–3pm

Nature is God's first book of revelation. St Bernard of Clairvaux (+1153) wrote: 'Believe me, you will find more lessons in the woods than in books. Trees will teach you what you cannot learn from masters.'

The 18th-century garden in St Mary's Priory will be the venue for a day of outdoor meditation. It has an abundance of wildlife, and a great variety of trees, including the famous 'Maelruan's tree', with its spread of over 5,000 sq. metres. For many people this is a favourite place for meditation. There is an adjoining outdoor cloister, and a coffee room. The day will be structured according to the needs of the group.

*€55 including lunch in the Retreat Centre, and tea/coffee breaks.
Booking essential.*

ENQUIRIES

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Thought The dust has settled. The empty tomb is a shrine.

The crucifying soldiers are long dead. The message, however, is the same as then; don't hang about the tomb, He's not there. He's walking the earth with you and through you today. Invite Him into your heart, surrender, walk every day as an act of love and see Him move.



We remember
**Christina (Siso) Barr
Patricia (Tisha)
Mulhall**
who died recently
**MAY THEY REST
IN PEACE**

A MUSICAL PILGRIMAGE
CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE PONTIFICAL IRISH
COLLEGE ON THE COELIAN HILL



29 - 4
JUNE/
JULY
2026

'CENTENARY IN SONG'
A Musical Pilgrimage for
liturgical music ministers in
Rome with *The Priests*

- Workshops
- Accommodation
- Liturgies
- Meals
- Cultural Site Visits
- Final Night Concert

For more information visit
irishcollege.org/musical-pilgrimage-2026

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Monday 13th April at 7.30pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting.

To find out more call
01 4045378 or email
info@anamcara.ie

WHAT'S ON

Monday 13th April
Choir practise at 7.45pm
Baptism Preparation meeting in the Oratory at 7pm.
Tuesday 14th April
Sacramental Team meeting at 1pm for the next Preparation Mass for the First Holy Communion & Confirmation classes on Saturday at 6.30pm
Thursday 16th April
After Mass the Holy Rosary in the Oratory is specifically for vocations to the priesthood.
Friday 17th April
Eucharistic Prayer Group meets in the Oratory from 2.30pm-3.30pm. All welcome.
Eucharistic Adoration
Monday to Friday
10.30am to 5.00pm.
in the Oratory.



Church Collections

w/e 21st/22nd March 2026

1st Priests: €697

2nd Collection: €495

Envelopes: €478

w/e 28th/29th March 2026

1st Priests: €654

2nd Collection: €439

Envelopes: €670

Easter 2026

1st Priests: €1098

2nd Collection: €702

Envelopes: €1618

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

The winning numbers were

19, 22, 23, 32

The Jackpot is €3,400

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

The Draw takes place on

Tuesday morning before 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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Mercy Sunday

First Reading Acts 2:42-47

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 117(118):2-4,13-15,22-24

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.' **R.**

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.'

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling,
but the Lord was my helper. **R.**

The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

Second Reading: Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens.

Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved

like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

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Gospel Acclamation Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'
Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.'

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book.

These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.