

Parish Newsletter

SUNDAY 26TH APRIL 2026

Good Shepherd Sunday – Vocations Sunday, 26th April 2026

“Every vocation is an immeasurable gift for the Church and for those who receive it with joy.” – Pope Leo XIV, Message for the 63rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations .

May this Good Shepherd Sunday be a moment of encouragement and support, where vocations are welcomed, nurtured, and allowed to flourish among us.



Devotional Candles
In Thanksgiving to Our Lady
will be available in the
Church and the Parish
Office during the month of
May.
Offering €1.

THANK YOU FROM RELATIONSHIP CARE

On behalf of Relationship Care (former trading name ACCORD Dublin), I would like to sincerely thank you for your support of our recent Annual Collection on 14th & 15th February. We are deeply grateful for the opportunity to share our work with your parishioners.

Thanks to your kindness, we are able to continue providing accessible, low-cost marriage & relationship counselling to couples who need support during challenging times. This work makes a real and lasting difference in people's lives, and we could not do it without your help.

We understand how busy parish life can be, and we greatly appreciate the time you took to facilitate the appeal. These contributions are vital in allowing us to continue offering our services to those who rely on them. Please be assured of our continued gratitude and prayers for you and your parish community. Should you have any queries, we remain at your disposal and would be very happy to assist.

With every good wish,
Jennifer Griffin CEO, Relationship Care

Camp Veritas is a Residential Faith & Fun Camp, Supporting Young People 12 – 17 years explore and celebrate their Catholic Faith. Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare, June 23 to 28. Visit www.campveritasireland.org for more.

Thought Unlike with insurance companies, we don't have to read the small print of God's covenant of salvation with us. He is for us, not against us, most visible in His unconditional love and protection. An unbreakable love that we can trust in the hard times and with the big questions. You really do underwrite us, O God; whose the small print is always on our side.

WHAT'S ON

Monday 27th April

Choir practise at 7.45pm

Thursday 30th April

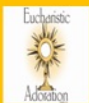
After Mass the Holy Rosary in the Oratory is specifically for vocations to the priesthood.

First Friday—1st May All those on the Altar List of the Dead will be remembered at the 10.00am Mass.

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 18th/19th April 2026

1st Priests: €758

2nd Collection: €532

Envelopes: €814



We remember
Audrey McGowan
Paul O'Duffy
who died recently
MAY THEY REST
IN PEACE

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund

There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

The winning numbers were
2, 20, 21, 30

The Jackpot is €3,600

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading Acts 2:14,36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 22(23)

Response: The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Jn10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 10:1-10

Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;

but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe:

he will go freely in and out

and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes

only to steal and kill and destroy.

I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.