

WEEKLY BULLETIN

**St. Mary's, Star of the Sea,
Sandymount**



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 25TH January 2026

Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30 – 12.30

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MASS TIMES: Sunday Mass: Vigil, Sat. 6.p.m.; Sun. 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon. Weekday Masses: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7.30 a.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10.00 a.m.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEKEND

Your prayers are requested this weekend for Theresa McCormack, Marie McCormack, Michael Timoney, Eileen Ging, Terry and Dennis Brazil, Norah and Imelda Raleigh, Joseph and David Sadlier, Cait and Oliver Beggan, Caitriona Barry Walsh, Kathleen McLoughlin, Helen Kelly, and Declan Bates.

**MAY THEIR SOULS, AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD,
REST IN PEACE. AMEN.**

Volunteers Needed for Daffodil Day 2026

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking dedicated volunteers with strong organisational skills who are willing to bring Daffodil Day fundraising events to our community.

Daffodil Day is Ireland's largest flagship fundraising day and requires the support of volunteers across the country to coordinate the sale of Daffodil Day merchandise in their local community. With the full support of the Irish Cancer Society fundraising team, you will be responsible for helping to bring Daffodil Day and all the amazing colour and excitement it brings with it, to your local area, in turn helping to support cancer patients and their families across Ireland by raising vital funds and awareness.

If you are available to support us on Friday 20th March 2026 and would like to become a Daffodil Day Community Organiser, please contact Monica at

volunteer@irishcancer.ie <<mailto:volunteer@irishcancer.ie>>.

We would be extremely grateful for your support, as it will help us to continue supporting those who are impacted by cancer. Please do not hesitate to get in contact with us for further information.

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Parish Office Hours

Pending the filling of the recently advertised post of Parish Co-ordinator, volunteers will keep the Parish Office open as much as possible, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. When the office is unattended messages can be left by voicemail or email and urgent calls can be made directly to Fr. Enda Cunningham PP.

Family Offering Envelopes 2026 Weekly Offerings

Welcome new Parishioners! Please drop in your name and address to the Parish Office at your convenience as we will be updating our records starting in January.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

The amounts collected last week:

18th January, 2025:

1st collection €1350 (Common Fund)

2nd collection: €740 (Share)

Sunday of The Word of God

Pope Francis on September 30, 2019 directed that the **Third Sunday of Ordinary Time** should be observed as the **Sunday of the Word of God**. In a *motu proprio* entitled [Aperuit Illis](#), the Holy Father said that the annual date should be “devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God.”

Today is [Day Eight, the final day, of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity](#), January 18-25. The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026 is taken from Ephesians 4:4, “There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling.”

Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina will be held weekly on Tuesday evenings, from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the Parish Meeting Rooms, commencing this Tuesday, 27th January. Access is from the steps behind the Church. Lectio Divina invites us to spend time making connection with our Lord through meditation and, then, reflecting on his word and its meaning for us in our world

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