

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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



**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

**Parish Office 6683894 / 6683316 – Monday, 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 the soul of Stephanie Sheehan, recently deceased, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Seán Boyd, Patrick Connolly.

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

### November List of The Dead

Forms and envelopes will be available from this weekend for inclusion of names in the November List of The Dead. These lists are retained throughout the following ecclesiastical year and Mass is offered for these intentions on each First Friday. The annual Mass for those who died in our Parish during the past year will be offered on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 12 p.m.

### St. Vincent de Paul Church Gate Collection

The Church Gate Collection for St. Vincent de Paul will take place next weekend, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> October, after all Masses. The local conference of the St Vincent de Paul is very grateful for the support received in the monthly gate collection in our parish.

### Season of Creation

Next Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> October, in honour of St. Francis of Assisi, whose feastday marks the end of the Season of Creation, you are all invited to bring your family pet for a blessing after the 12.00 Mass. There will be treats for pets, and even some for their owners after the ceremony. Adults must accompany all pets to ensure calm and their safety and that of accompanying children.

### Ringsend and Irishtown Community Centre Piano Plea

RICC would like to start up a singing Group but needs a piano to provide the necessary accompaniment. It is appealing to anybody who might have a piano which has fallen into disuse, to consider donating it to the RICC, giving it a new lease of life and providing an opportunity for joy for many. Please contact Loraine Barry, Manager RICC on 668 4789

### The Irish Catholic

To ensure that *The Irish Catholic* continues to thrive as a forum for debate and a voice for Irish Catholics, it is necessary to introduce a modest price increase. From the edition of October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, the cover price will increase to €3.50.

### CHURCH COLLECTIONS

**The amounts collected last week:**

**21<sup>st</sup> September 2025:**

1<sup>st</sup> collection €1070 (Common Fund)

2<sup>nd</sup> collection: €2645 Crosscare (Share)

### Safeguarding Sunday

Today is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday and there will be an address at all the Masses this Sunday by or on behalf of our two safeguarding officers, Elma Holohan and Kathy Etchingham, whose dedication and commitment we are blessed to have, keeping us all mindful of the safety of the children and vulnerable members of our community.

This year Archbishop Farrell has asked us to consider how we might contribute to a safer society for children and young people, beyond what we do in our own parishes and diocesan organisations. Over the past 30 years or so, we came, hesitantly and reluctantly, to the terrible realisation that some children and young people had been abused in our midst, where they ought to have been at their safest. We have learned some lessons about keeping children safe and perhaps we can share what we have learned with the wider society of which we are all part.

### Introduction to Centering Prayer

Are you interested in deepening your relationship with God? Come and learn this beautiful way of silent prayer.

Tuesdays from 14<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm to 9pm. 5 following Tuesdays from 7pm to 8:15pm.

All sessions will be held at The Parish Centre, Church of Guardian Angels, Newtown Park Avenue, Blackrock.

For more information contact: Laura at 087 2776932 or email [contemplativeoutreachireland@gmail.com](mailto:contemplativeoutreachireland@gmail.com)

### Parish Office Opening Days

The volunteer team which currently staffs the Parish Office, will continue to provide service on three mornings per week from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. for the foreseeable future but with a change of days. From this week forward, the office will open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Messages can be left by voicemail or email and urgent calls can be made directly to Fr. Enda Cunningham, PP.