

# Church of the Assumption

Howth, Co. Dublin

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**Second Sunday of Easter (17/25)**

## MASS TIMES

**Sunday**

**Vigil Saturday 5.30pm**

**Sunday 8.30am, 11.30am**

**Mon Tues Weds Fri Sat at  
10.00am**

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The Howth Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society will hold their monthly collection this weekend after all the Masses.

## **EASTER DUES**

Many thanks to all who have sent in their Easter Dues, your continued support is very much appreciated.

## **FAIRYHILL PLAYSCHOOL**

Fairyhill Playschool is now enrolling for September 2025 for children aged 2 and half to 5 years old. ECCE places available.

Email [fairyhillplayschool@gmail.com](mailto:fairyhillplayschool@gmail.com)  
or Tel. 086-809 7734 to reserve a place.

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS 27<sup>th</sup> April - 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

<b>Sun 27<sup>th</sup></b>	Second Sunday of Easter
Vigil ( <b>5.30pm Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Apr</b> )	John Barrett (45 <sup>th</sup> Anv) and Rita Barrett (Month's Mind)
8.30am	Deirdre Ni Thuairisg (Recently Deceased)
11.30am	Catherine Briody (Recently Deceased)
<b>Mon 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>St Peter Chanel &amp; St Louis de Montfort</i>
10.00am	Peggy and Marie Fitzsimons (Anv)
<b>Tues 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>St Catherine of Siena</i>
10.00am	Kathleen Rhatigan (5 <sup>th</sup> Anv)
<b>Weds 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>St Pius V</i>
10.00am	Charlie McDermott (7 <sup>th</sup> Anv)
<b>Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<i>St Joseph the Worker</i>
10.00am	Celebration of the Word with Communion
<b>Fri 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<i>St Athanasius</i>
10.00am	Altar List of the Dead
<b>Sat 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<i>SS Philip and James</i>
10.00am	Ester O'Connor
<b>Sun 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Third Sunday of Easter
Vigil ( <b>5.30pm Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> )	Mary Mulhall (15 <sup>th</sup> Anv) and Cormac Mulhall and Family
8.30am	Eddie and Josie Connolly
11.30am	Mary Mc Loughlin (11 <sup>th</sup> Anv) also John, Mary and Shay Cullen

## CHURCH READERS *The following are listed to read*

### WEEKEND MASSES

#### **Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> April**

Saturday 5.30pm : N. Vaughan

Sunday 8.30am: U. Kane

Sunday 11.30am: N. Cronin

#### **Weekday Masses 28<sup>th</sup> April to 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

Monday: A. Solan

Tuesday: M. Connaughton

Wednesday:

Friday: K. Nolan

Saturday: G. Reidy

### WEEKEND MASSES

#### **Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> May**

Saturday 5.30pm : B. Farrell

Sunday 8.30am: B. Lynch

Sunday 11.30am: D. Gilroy

## BRING & BUY CAKE SALE

### **In St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Parish Centre, Deerpark, Howth**

Today - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2.30pm - 4.00pm, in aid of a Ukrainian initiative that adapts clothing for wounded soldiers.

For more information : [Carolyn.olaoire@gmail.com](mailto:Carolyn.olaoire@gmail.com)

Tel. Anga 085-285 5167

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025**

First Holy Communion for the pupils of Second Class in Howth's Primary School, will take place on **Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> May** in the Church.

We remember them in our prayers.

## **Church Flowers**

Many thanks to the flower team members, Mary, Margaret, Una, Nuala, Pam, Kay, and their "assistants", Joe and Andy, who worked on the floral art and the Easter garden, for the church for Easter.

## **Guest Speaker: Catherine Leyden at Sunday Mass**

11<sup>th</sup> May 12:30 pm in St. Fintan's Church, Sutton.

Catherine Leyden, known as "The Odlum's Lady", will be a Guest Speaker at the 12.30pm Mass in St Fintan's Parish on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Catherine will share her thoughts on faith in the digital age. She is a regular guest at Jan's (@rosarymum) nightly online rosary on X, with thousands of followers. Jan's prayer group is renowned for its heartfelt list of prayer intentions and profound meditations, where Catherine often prays a decade in Irish. All are welcome.

## **ST. FINTAN'S CEMETERY MASS**

The St. Fintan's Cemetery Mass will take place on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025** at **12noon**. Please note there will be no 12.30pm Mass in St. Fintan's Church, Sutton, on that day.



## ***Adoration, in our Church of The Assumption Howth***



***Weekday Eucharistic Adoration continues on:***

- ***Tuesdays from 11am to 12 Noon and from 3pm to 4pm;***
- ***Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 1pm and from 1pm to 2pm.***

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS**

St. John the Evangelist Church, Greendale Road, Kilbarrack, D.5

Today Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 3.00pm to 5.30pm including Holy Mass.

### **BLOOD DONORS NEEDED**

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service are urgently seeking blood donors. Your support for this life-saving service is greatly needed. If you are eligible, please donate on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 6.00pm to 9.30pm at Gaelscoil Míde, Greendale Road, Kilbarrack.**

**Further information from 1 800 731 137 or at [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie)**

### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

Christian Meditation continues on Tuesday evenings in the church from 7.15pm to 8.00pm. New members are welcome. No previous experience of meditation is necessary. Call Barbara in the Parish Office Tel. 01-839 7398 for more information.



## REFLECTIONS

Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy

27th April 2025

To-day's Gospel presents us with the one disciple who is named: Thomas. In his hesitation and his efforts to understand, this disciple, albeit somewhat stubborn, is a bit like us and we find him likeable. Without knowing it, he gives us a great gift: he brings us closer to God, because God does not hide from those who seek him. Jesus shows Thomas his glorious wounds; He makes him touch with his hand the infinite tenderness of God, the vivid signs of how much he suffered out of love for humanity.

For us who are disciples, it is important to put our humanity in contact with the flesh of the Lord, to bring to him, with complete trust and utter sincerity, our whole being. As Jesus told Saint Faustina, he is happy when we tell him everything: he is not bored with our lives, which he already knows; he waits for us to tell him even about the events of our day (*cf. Diary, 6 September 1937*). That is the way to seek God; through prayer that is transparent and unafraid to hand over to him our troubles, our struggles and our resistance. Jesus' heart is won over by sincere openness, by hearts capable of acknowledging and grieving over their weakness, yet trusting that precisely there God's mercy will be active.

What does Jesus ask of us? He desires hearts that are truly consecrated, hearts that draw life from his forgiveness in order to pour it out with compassion on our brothers and sisters. Jesus wants hearts that are open and tender towards the weak, never hearts that are hardened.

*Pope Francis,  
Poland 2016*



