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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Edenderry

# Link Up



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**Mass Times**  
**Edenderry**

**Daily Mass**  
9am  
(No 9am Mass on day of funeral)

**Saturday**  
**7p.m.**

**Sunday**  
**10a.m. & 11:30am**

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## **Discerning Ears**

It is not good to hear ourselves described as sheep. Sheep are silly animals that follow each other blindly and do not act or think for themselves. This however is not the imagery intended when Jesus invites us to be 'his flock', rather his is asking us to think of him as our 'good shepherd'. The voice of Jesus the good shepherd is the one that offers us spiritual sustenance, guidance, love and protection. Jesus wants us to recognise his voice as the one who addresses what we are and what we stand for. Key to a healthy spiritual life is an overriding commitment to hearing the word of God and applying it to one's own life, but in a world of competing values can we always recognise the voice of Jesus? The trick is to know that Jesus' voice is everywhere that encourages us to impact our world as Christians. Jesus' voice is the voice at work that encourages us to do our best, not to gossip, not to help ourselves to that extra ream of paper while the boss isn't looking or fiddle the time sheets. Jesus is the voice that encourages us to respond to family members and the wider community who are in need. Jesus' voice is the voice that tells us how to vote and how to campaign for those who do not have a voice of their own. The voice of the impostor on the other hand is everywhere that encourages us to act out of self-interest and greed. Being part of Jesus' flock is certainly not for the 'sheep'; it's for those with discerning ears.



## **LOVING AND HEALING GOD.**

We, the people of Kildare and Leighlin turn to you in prayer, confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment. We stand before you as people of hope, trusting in your care and protection. May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts. Generous God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families. Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people. We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all. Bless them and keep them safe. O God of creation and life, We place ourselves in your protection. May the mantle of your peace enfold us this day and tomorrow.

St Brigid, pray for us.  
St Conleth, pray for us.  
St Lazerian, pray for us.  
May all the saints of God, pray for us.

## Community Notices

### Mass via Webcam

Monday @ 11am– Service of the Word ~ Deacon Paul

Mass: Tues - Friday @ 11am

Saturday evening Mass @ 7pm

Sunday morning @ Mass 11:30am

To view the Masses via: Webcam

Go to [edenderryparish.ie](http://edenderryparish.ie)

Click on Live Webcam

*Mass cards / Mass Bouquets can be got by phoning*

Stephanie @ 086 3954046

or Mary @ 085 1434132 or

**email:** [edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com](mailto:edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com)

Also if you would like to book an anniversary

Mass give Stephanie or Mary a call/email or send

Stephanie a private message on Facebook.



**IN ORDER TO PULL TOGETHER,  
WE MUST STAY APART**

### Memorare:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence,

I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.

To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer.  
Amen

### Some helpful Services:

**Aware:** [aware.ie](http://aware.ie) or Tel: 1890 303 302

**Grow:** [grow.ie](http://grow.ie) or Tel: 1890 474 474

**LetSomeoneKnow:** [letsomeoneknow.ie](http://letsomeoneknow.ie)

**Teenline Ireland:** [teenline.ie](http://teenline.ie)

**Samaritans:** [Samaritans.org](http://Samaritans.org) or 1850 60 90 60

**1Life:** Tel: 1800 247 100 or text HELP to 51444

**(HSE: Josephine Rigney (057 932 7909)  
Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention).**

**1800 247 247 is a direct  
phone line to Pieta or  
text HELP to 51444.  
They are here to help and  
support you or someone  
you love and care for. ❤️**

**Please note: Our Church is CLOSED  
until further notice.**

### Collections & Trocaire boxes

You may Hold on to your Trocaire boxes and weekly Church envelopes for a few weeks more, until the Church re-opens. Thanks to those who have already handed in their envelope.

## MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Saturday 7pm: Via: Webcam;**

**Sunday Via: Webcam; 11:30am:** Teddy O'Neill; Mary O' Hannelly

**Monday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Tuesday 11am:** Via Webcam: Mai & Jimmy O' Connor

**Wednesday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Thursday 11am:** Via Webcam

**Friday 9am: Mass Card Intentions**

**Saturday 7pm: Via: Webcam;**

**Sunday 11:30am: Via: Webcam;**



*We Pray for the following  
whose Anniversary occurs  
around this time.*

# Prayer Corner

Colouring



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Word Search

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**PENITENTIAL ACT** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### **Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Lord God, in the death of Jesus you Son, you have given a sure sign of your love in the world. Through his death and resurrection, good has overcome evil. May we, in our lives, be signs of the victory of good over evil, peace over war, love over selfishness. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

### **FIRST READING**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

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.**

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

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

1. 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. **Response**

2. 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. **Response.**

3. 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. **Response**

### **SECOND READING**

**A reading from the first letter of St Peter.**

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**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia Alleluia

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own sheep and my own know me.

Alleluia.

### **THE GOSPEL (14:15-21)**

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you*

**People:** **And with your Spirit**

**A reading from the Gospel according to John.**

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. 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, 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.'

**Priest:** **The Gospel of the Lord.**

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Lord our God, you have called us by our name and we can trust in your care. These signs of bread and wine are gifts which show your presence. Help us grow in the ability to trust in you and in each other. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We go from this place, Lord God, strengthened by the body and blood of Jesus. In the Eucharist, may we always know your love and your call in our lives. We thank you for being our shepherd, our guide through-out our lives. We make this prayer through Christ or Lord.