

11th April 2021

Second Sunday of Easter

Edenderry

# Link Up



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**Daily Mass**  
10am

(No 10am Mass on  
day of funeral)

**Saturday**  
7p.m.

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

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## Doubt and Disbelief

The story of 'Doubting Thomas' is aimed at all those generations of people who will not see the risen Lord, yet are asked to believe. So are we really being asked to believe in what we cannot see or hear or touch, when even those closest to Jesus had problems in accepting what was happening? In today's gospel we see Thomas struggling with a problem that many of us still struggle with today. Thomas desperately wanted to believe in the risen Jesus, but he wasn't the sort of person to pretend he understood something when he didn't. He wasn't the sort of person that could pretend that he didn't have doubts when he did. There are many of us today who desperately want deeper meaning in our lives. There are those amongst us who have become disillusioned with the Church and wish they could embrace what it once meant. There are many of us who would like to find a deeper faith but have found only stumbling blocks. Like Thomas, we find that the gap between faith and doubt too big a leap. For those who find belief elusive, there is an uncomfortable beatitude in today's gospel. "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." This can feel like a reproach to those of us who harbour doubts, but the important thing to remember is that doubt isn't the same thing as disbelief. Doubt can be a good thing even. Doubt means that we are still questioning something that we care about. Doubt means that we are still looking for answers..... that we are still learning and growing. Doubt is a tool that we can use to carve a mature faith. Belief isn't something we either have or haven't got ... belief is a process, and the end product of that process, is one's own spiritual self.



## MASS ROTAS

### EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS

#### READERS

10am. Mon 12th April — Michael Daly

### EDENDERRY—WEEKEND MASS

#### READERS

7pm. Sat 17th April – Laura Fennessy

11:30am. Sun 18th April –Liz Rickard

## Community Notices

**Please note:** the Parish Office is closed due to the new level 5 restrictions. Masses will go ahead via Webcam.. if you would like to book a Mass or have any queries please call **Stephanie @ 086 3954046 /**

**Mary @ 085 1434132**

**email:** edenderryparishcentre@gmail.com.

**Mass Cards:** If you would like to purchase a Mass card, Stephanie will be in the Office on Monday - Wednesday & Friday mornings from 10am to 11:30am. Please ring the doorbell.

**Baptisms:** a simple reminder that baptisms may continue during this more restrictive phase, The attendance at each baptism is strictly limited to six.

**Affordable Live-in Homecare:** provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 9916791 or 087 7440729. Our website is [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

**Weekly Envelope Box:** can be picked up in the Parish Office on Mon - Wed - Fri morning from 10am to 11:30am:

**Weekend Readers Rota:** can be picked up in the Church porch.

**THE MONTHLY ST PIO ROSARY:** will be recited in St Mary's Church, Edenderry on Monday evening 12th April at 7.30pm Due to COVID 19 our Rosary can be viewed on webcam only at [edenderryparish.ie](http://edenderryparish.ie). If you are available why not join us in prayer for 30mins.



OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

*Lucy O'Brien  
Cokery, Edenderry*

*May she Rest in Peace.  
Our Sympathy to her family*



## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

**RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON**

**Wednesday 7th April 2021**

**NUMBERS DRAWN**

05

08

25

28

**1 €11,000 Jackpot Winner  
Fiona Hayden Newbridge Parish**

**7 Matched 3's won €143 each**

**No local Winner**

**Next Week's Jackpot €10,000**



*The best sleeping pill is a clear  
conscience*

**Trocaire Boxes:** can be dropped off at the Church on Sunday 11th April between 2pm & 4pm

**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. ❤️**

## MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Saturday 7pm:** Patsy Mangan, Months mind Mass; Michael Hoey; Patrick & Christine Dempsey; Patrick Dempsey Jnr; Peter Dempsey; Marie Brereton

**Sunday 11:30am:** Edward Slevin, 1st Anniversary; Eileen & Bernard Holohan; Barry Killaly

**Monday 10am:** Sonny McDonald

**Tuesday 10am:**

**Wednesday 10am:**

**Thursday 10am Mass**

**Friday 10am Mass: Mass Card Intentions;** Frank Fenlon

**Saturday 7pm:** George Maloney, 1st Anniversary;

**Sunday 11:30am:** Pauline Kerrigan



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

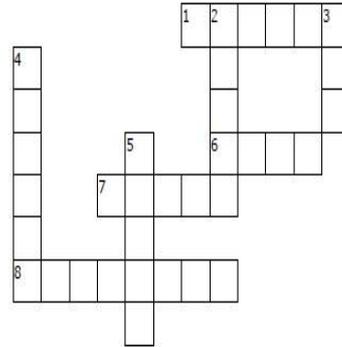
*John Gibbons  
Joseph Lawless  
George Jenkins*

# Prayer Corner

## Colouring



## Crossword



### ACROSS

1. The disciple who would not believe without seeing
6. An entrance into a building or room
7. A pointed and headed fastener designed to be pounded into wood
8. Unwilling to believe that something is true

### DOWN

2. The body parts at the end of the arms
3. To observe with your eyes
4. Not open
5. To believe in something for which there is no proof

## Word Search

K T S T K O N V A E S N M G G  
 Q X U H H T D R H G S M Q S S  
 L T F O B W K E M N W I J P R  
 E Y R M E E X K G H G R Q Z C  
 W Y V A L T H I I A Y A B C S  
 Q V V S I O S Q L N S C O S S  
 D A V Q E G C C C D F L B H P  
 O O E L V E W K W S J E S O T  
 O S S U E T S A E X B S L W O  
 R M O A D H D B J D P V C E U  
 S H V C I E O I E T P P J D C  
 D Q S D L R R E C O R D E D H  
 S I D E I I J P Q I Y J S Y E  
 V M D I S C I P L E S X U I D  
 V E D O U B T I N G H F S P A

THOMAS	DISCIPLES	DOORS	MIRACLES	TOUCHED
HANDS	TOGETHER	DOUBTING	SHOWED	SIGNS
SIDE	RECORDED	BELIEVED	JESUS	LOCKED

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you*  
**People:** **And with your Spirit**

**PENITENTIAL ACT** I confess to almighty 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**

Almighty God, may the risen power and love of Jesus Christ be felt in our lives, our families, our schools, and our parish. May we know it in our country and in our world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

### **FIRST READING (4:32-35)**

**A reading from the acts of the apostles**

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

**The word of the Lord.**

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (117:2-4)**

**RESPONSE:** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

1. Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.'  
Let those who fear the Lord say:  
His love has no end.' *Response*
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds.  
*Response*
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.  
This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad. *Response*

### **SECOND READING: (Jn 5:1-6)**

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

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the

world - our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

**The word of the Lord.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

Alleluia!

### **THE GOSPEL (Jn 20:19-31)**

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

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

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

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, *Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you,'* After saying this he breathed on them and said: *'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'* Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him. *'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'* There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that -you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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

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

### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

May these gifts we offer be signs of our love for you, Lord God, and for each other. As you change them into the body and blood of Jesus, change us too that we become people of joy and hope. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Bless us, Lord, as we leave the table and the Eucharist of your risen Son. May we bring with us the hope, peace and joy which we find in the resurrection of Jesus who is Lord, today forever. Amen