

**ST EDWARD'S PARISH CHURCH
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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times.
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Live stream: YouTube link: <https://www.youtube.com/@stedwardssellypark>
Upper Room: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/W4JR563Ajpym7TZEslwHyScpe61qaZYWD4JMI1>
Church: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/yoi6oWmYvI3tjNN7MCDKiE6FW7GnNb6ZWISrdLMC>
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	Sat 18 th	6.00pm	Sheila Cox RIP Maura H.
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 19 th	10.15am	Ita Mulligan RIP Jackie
	Monday Rosary 8.30am		
	Mon 20 th	9.00am	Mary & Michael O'Sullivan Int. Marie G
Memorial of St Agnes	Tues 21 st	7.00pm	Mary's 4 Grandchildren
	Wednesday Rosary 8.30am		
	Wed 22 nd	9.00am	Paddy Rochford RIP Noel & Mary McLean
		9.45am	(School) Mr & Mrs Ahktar RIP St Ed Sch
	Thursday Rosary 8.30am		
	Thu 23 rd	9.00am	Joe Quigley Int. CQ
	Friday Rosary 8.30am		
Memorial of St Francis de Sales	Fri 24 th	9.00am	Madelina Westlake RIP A Handel
	Sat 25 th	6.00pm	Wendy, Raymond & Betty & the deceased members of Francis Family
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 26 th	10.15am	Paddy Rochford RIP D&M Hermans
	Weekday Mass in 'Upper Room'		

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions: Saturday 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Gluten free hosts available before Mass in the Sacristy
Legion of Mary – Mondays at 7.15pm – upper room – all are welcome to join

SICK: Rose Hyland, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, Joan Dunne, John Masterson, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Noreen Brannelly, Emma Bettam **and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.**

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev Edward Kirner, Canon Garrett (Garry) Byrne, Rev Michael Walshe, Canon Bernard McKenna, Rev George Jackson, Rev John Tolkien, Rev Joseph McKenna, Rev David Lloyd, Rev Charles Ross, Rev Jogn Garvey, Mgr Peter Dao-Duc-Diem, Rev Anthony Timlin, Canon Thomas Sylvester Copsey, Rev Vincent Josph Royles, Deacon Michael Ainsworth **Also** Thoms Mellett, Grahame Alfrey, John Collins, Fr Joe McKenna, John Joe Flynn, Mary Poole, Alice Williams, Brian McInerney, Andrew Cunningham, James Dunbar, Herbert Trahearne, Joseph Keogh Kevin Peyton, Dolly Dwyer **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this this time**

Mass Attendance:

Sat (6.00pm) No. of people: 78 Off Collection: £146.84 2nd Collection Jubilee Books: £51.41
 Sun (10.15am) No. of people: 182 Off Collection: £288.08 2nd Collection Jubilee Books: £128.09
 Card machine 1st Collection: £57.04 2nd Collection: £22.58 Sincere thanks

Funeral: John Christopher Jones 'Jack' RIP. Requiem Mass Wednesday 5 February 11 am. Burial at Lodge Hill 12.30. Our sympathy and prayers.

Church cleaning: volunteers are needed to help with regular church cleaning - call Bernard 07580 011278.

Singers of Solace Funerals & weddings: organist, singers. Contact Jobe Sullivan on 07858 219629.

Liturgical Music for all occasions and celebrations: Contact Caroline McGrath 07387 158394

New Lectionaries: Ambo set £695 (per book £173.75); Chapel set £395 (per book £98.75)

Jubilee Prayer

In the year of the Jubilee,
 We ask you to touch anew
 With the love of your Son,
 Jesus Christ.

Enlighten our minds
 With the Holy Spirit

And strengthen our hands for Service.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God.

Parish Donations

Thank you for all of your continued generosity with your weekly donations to the church. Please consider making your regular gift by standing order; it makes it much easier. Please ask Father or Brendan Campbell for a standing order form.

Come and Pray the Rosary before Mass on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8.30am

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will.

ANIMA CHRISTI Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee forever and ever. Amen

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our homes, our families, our parishes, our diocese, our countries with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work.

St John Vianney – *Pray for Us*

ARCHDIOCESE VISION PRAYER Spirit of God, descend on me this day. Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me, the Spirit of hope to inspire me, the Spirit of love to surround me and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path. Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace, so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others. Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me, strengthen and defend me, so that I may be drawn ever closer to you. Help me this day and always to be a channel of grace in all I say and do and invite others into relationship with you. Amen

PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us and inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen

St John Henry Newman – *Pray for Us*

DEMENTIA PRAYER Lord Jesus, you are the Word made flesh. We rejoice that you dwell amongst us, that you have shared our joys and sorrows, our frailty and pain. We bring to you all those who struggle with the confusion of dementia. We pray that you might touch their inmost hearts with the peace of your presence. For ourselves we ask for the gift of your Holy Spirit, that we, who know and love them, may serve them with your compassion, your understanding and your peace. May that same Holy Spirit raise us up into the presence of your Father. This we ask through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

<p>Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families</p> <p>God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.</p> <p>Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray: [We pause and remember family members and others by name]</p> <p>Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love. Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen</p> <p>Mary, mother and guide, pray for us. Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us. Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us. Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray us.</p>	<p>THE ANGELUS</p> <p>V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary; R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....</p> <p>V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord; R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary....</p> <p>V. And the Word was made Flesh; R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....</p> <p>V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.</p> <p>Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. R. Amen.</p> <p>May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. R. Amen</p>
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PRAYER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

Loving God, we praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures. We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society. Instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Mary, Mother of God, Queen of the Universe. We ask you to intercede for the people of war-torn countries, for their governments, and all who suffer as a result of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. May we support them through prayer and generosity. That human lives may be saved. That the injured may be healed. That the dead may rest in peace. That there will be peace after war. Amen.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January
For the right of an education

We pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, may always be respected.

Points to Ponder

Almost two thousand years ago Jesus of Nazareth spoke of the Reign of God as healing for the sick, hearing for the deaf, sight for the blind, freedom for prisoners, good news for the poor. The world is full of real problems; the pain of human experience is obvious. In facing this reality we could turn our backs in despair and throw our hands in the air at the futility of human life. But the call of Christian discipleship demands otherwise. It demands that we always seek to lift the burden. The burdens of life are real and so we need to help each other in:

- opening our eyes to the reality of life
- feeding those who are too weak to feed themselves
- liberating those who are oppressed
- expanding our minds through education
- dispelling our fear of the unknown
- challenging ourselves to let go of hurts and prejudice
- unsealing our ears to hear the divine echo in our hearts
- inspiring hope for the future

In all of these ways the ministry of Jesus is continued as 'the blind see again, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, the good news is proclaimed to the poor' (Luke 7:22). To teach as Christ taught means inviting people to live without the crutch or the grudge or the closed mind. Catholic schools make an indispensable contribution to Catholic education. While such schools can never replace the home or the parish they have a crucial role to play in the education of the next generation of young people. ceist.ie