



# Baldoyle Parish Newsletter

4th Sunday of Easter

21st April 2024

**Reflection:** As we are looking at different people to learn from them, others look at us and learn from us. As our struggles become real even as others turn to us for guidance, we also have a Shepherd to turn to for help. We sometimes forget this.

*Teresa Tu Tran - thetorchproject.com*

*I líontaibh Dé go gcastar sinn*

Please take the newsletter home with you

**Gospel Reflection: Jn 10:11-18 21st April**

Today, we hear much on the importance of social services, opportunities, mental health and well-being. However, imagine we had a world where everyone had a good job, where the best services of physical and mental health were available, where the best roads and facilities were in place. Life might be good but would we all be happier? Would this guarantee that the levels of crime would fall? Would less people take their own lives and would less people be addicted to drugs and alcohol? The answer of course is no because the human heart longs for more than money, jobs, facilities and opportunities. The human heart longs for love, for meaning, for family and to know that we matter to someone. Every human life longs to directly experience the love of God which keeps it alive.

And when we read the Gospel on this Sunday, this is precisely Jesus' message to us. He says: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice. I know them.' We belong to a God who knows us and loves us. We are not the result of a chance but are willed by the God who made us human. He says: 'They listen to my voice.' Deep in our hearts we recognise the voice of God's truth who has placed his Spirit in us. We know what is right and what is wrong, what is true and what is false. We know that we have a vocation, a calling. We know that we are made for more than this world, for eternal life and we are on that journey together. Therefore, every life is precious, sacred and unique.

If the Church is to be a voice that defends the dignity and vocation of all, then the leadership and presence of priests and religious is crucial. We ask you to please pray for us in our vocations and to pray for and encourage vocation in our parishes and diocese – that those who sense the voice of the Good Shepherd calling them to serve as priests and religious may listen to that voice and respond with faith and generosity.

*Fr Billy Swan, www.thehookoffaith.com  
- Intercom*

**SUNDAY APRIL 21st**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER  
FOR VOCATIONS**

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**A date for your diary...**

**You are invited to a Public Rosary Rally in honour  
of Our Lady of Fatima  
Saturday, May 11th, at 4pm  
In St. Laurence O' Toole Church.**

Join with people all over Ireland at this special time to pray the rosary together to Our Lady.

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**Baldoyle Bay  
Biosphere Festival**

**Baldoyle Community Hall**

**Saturday 27th April, 10am - 3pm**

Kids Fun, Petting Farm,  
Paddle Boarding.

Email: [baldoyleevents@gmail.com](mailto:baldoyleevents@gmail.com)  
[www.baldoyleforum.ie](http://www.baldoyleforum.ie)

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**High School Musical  
St. Mary's Secondary School Baldoyle**

Transition Year's production of High School Musical will take place on **Thursday 16th May and Friday 17th May**. Tickets cost €15 per adult, children and senior citizens are €12 and a family of four is €45.

Tickets will be on sale from Monday 22nd April. They will be available to purchase on our website - [www.stmarysbaldoyle.org](http://www.stmarysbaldoyle.org) - and on our social media channels. Anyone having issues purchasing tickets, please drop into the school office any school morning between 10 am and 12.30 pm. Tickets are likely to sell out fast.

# Baldoyle Parish Lotto

Sunday 14th April

Jackpot €2,500

Numbers Drawn: 2, 4, 15

No Winner:

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Sunday 21st April

JACKPOT

€2,600

Return completed envelopes to the safe at rear of church

Thank you for your support.

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LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION

NEXT WEEKEND 27-28th April

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

This will replace the SHARE collection.

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The Family Offering (boxed envelopes) will be distributed over the next few weeks covering the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

If you do not currently receive these and would like to, please contact the Parish Office. Alternatively, you can set up a monthly or annual Standing Order with your bank. Please contact the Parish Office and we will send you the Standing Order form for your bank.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

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Baldoyle Parish Team

Co.PP Fr. Peter O'Connor - Tel. 832 2060  
Child Protection Officer : Mary Whelan - Tel. 839 3093  
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Newsletter: Items for inclusion to:  
[baldoyleparishnews@gmail.com](mailto:baldoyleparishnews@gmail.com)

Mass Intentions for week commencing:  
21st April

Church of SS Peter & Paul

Sunday: 10.00am Pray for the Holy Souls and Our Lord in Gethsemane  
Pray for the Deceased members of the Fealy, Smith & Byrne Families.  
Special Intention  
(R/D) Bernadette Percy, Austin Murray  
Tuesday: 10.00am Special Intentions  
(R/D) DeclanFoley, Ann Walsh  
Thursday: 10.00am Prayer Service

Church of St. Laurence O'Toole

Sat. Vigil: 7.00pm (M/M) Stephen Fee  
(A) Rose Keenan, Alex Dougal  
(R/D) Marie Nolan, John Hogan  
(B/R) Annie Sheils, Vincent McGuire  
Sunday: 11.30am (A) Brian Cullen, Maureen & Mary Dunne, Ellen, Thomas, Thomas Jnr & Bernard Maher  
Monday: 10.00am (R/D) Ann Walsh, Nigel Grant.  
Special Intentions  
Wednesday: 10.00am (R/D) Ann Bernard, Barry Fitzpatrick, Geoff Long

(A) Anniversary, (R/D) Recently Deceased, (M/M) Month's Mind, (B/R) Birthday Remembrance, (Rem) Remembrance.

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**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Member(s) of our community who died recently:-  
CHRISTY KEARNS, JIMMY WINTERS**

Anniversaries:- Dolly Lynam

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**Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino.** Join the MSC Missions as we walk the shaded lanes and valleys of the Camino Ingles, walking from Ferrol to Santiago in Northern Spain. The temperature in this part of northern Spain in July is perfect for walking, like a balmy summer day in Ireland. For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage phone Mary at 021 454 6691 or email [mary.morrish@mscmisions.ie](mailto:mary.morrish@mscmisions.ie)

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**CHY3 (Tax Reclaim forms) were sent to parishioners in early March and we would like to ask you to kindly return them at your earliest convenience.**