



17th May 2026

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NEWSLETTER

NOTICES

CHANGE OF MASS TIMES ON FRIDAY 22ND MAY

- Masses on **Friday 22nd May** will be at **9.30 a.m.** as First Holy Communions will take place at **11.00 a.m.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

- After Easter, we introduced Services of the Word, which were well received. We will have to have Services of the Word for another while, on Mondays, and Funerals will have to take place at 10 a.m. in place of the weekday Mass. Thank you for your understanding. *Fr Tom*

MARY'S MEALS CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

- Mary's Meals will hold a Church Gate Collection **this weekend**. Mary's Meals solution to world hunger is that every child receives one meal at their place of education. Funds collected will go to emergency in South Africa.

VOCATIONS SOCIETY OF ST JOSEPH

- The Vocations Society of St Joseph (formerly St Joseph's Young Priests Society) will meet in the Parish Pastoral Centre **after the 10.00 a.m. Mass on Thursday 21st May.**

SENSORY MASS INVITATION

- We will have our next Sensory Mass on **Saturday, 23rd May at 5.30 p.m.** This Mass is designed to be inclusive and welcoming for young people and families who may benefit from a quieter and more relaxed worship environment. The short Mass will have gentle lighting and sound, calm atmosphere, space to move around if needed and sensory items to aid regulation. Please join us and invite anyone who might have sensory needs or simply wishes to attend a short and peaceful Mass. Join us in the Pastoral Centre after for refreshments.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

- We warmly congratulate Elia and Enola who received the Rite of Acceptance last Sunday at the 11.30 a.m. Mass. They have now been accepted into the Order of Catechumens and are considered part of the household of Christ. During the rite, Elia and Enola made a public promise to follow the way of Christ and to commit themselves to the formation process that will lead to the initiation sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation which they will receive at the Easter Vigil next year. They also received a copy of the Sacred Scriptures as a reminder that they are to build their lives on the living Word of God. We encourage all parishioners to support Elia and Enola by their prayers as they continue their journey to full initiation into the Catholic Church.

FIRST COMMUNIONS 2026

- Congratulations to the Girls from the Presentation Girls School and the Boys and Girls from Educate Together who received their First Holy Communion on Friday. The First Communion Ceremony for the Boys National School will take place on **Friday next 22nd May at 11.00 a.m.**

MAYNOOTH BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

- Have you suffered a loss? We would like to invite you to our Bethany Group Support Meeting, **When:** Monday 25th May, 2026
Where: Parish Pastoral Centre, Maynooth (in the grounds of St Mary's Church)
Time: 7.30 p.m.
- You are very welcome to join us for a cup of tea and refreshments afterwards. For more information, please contact Bethany Maynooth 086-2700740.
- **Our Bethany Team:** Jean Kennedy, Anne Gallagher & Antoinette O'Brien

PARISH COLLECTIONS WEEKEND OF 9TH / 10TH MAY, 2026

- **First Collection:** € 1,226 (support of Diocesan Priests)
- **SHARE:** € 874
- **Family Envelope & Standing Orders:** € 2,185

PARISH OF MAYNOOTH

WELCOME TO THE NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

This weekend we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. Where he has gone, we hope to follow. On Good Friday he felt forsaken, but on Easter Sunday he returned to unity with God the Father. The Ascension makes that return visible. And the good news for us is that he takes us with him. We have gone into the tomb with him; we have been raised up with him; and now we have begun to ascend with him. Today's feast is a sign of hope for us. Where he has gone, we hope to follow. We ask him to lift up our fallen world and, in the fullness of time, to gather it into the life of heaven. Amen.

God bless.
Fr Tom

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 9am - 4pm

(closed for lunch 12-1.00)

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAYS

St Mary's:

Family Mass: Sat 5.30 pm

Vigil Mass: Sat 7.00 pm

Sunday: 8.45 am, 11.30 am, & 1.00 pm

Ladychapel:

Sunday: 10.00 a.m.

CONFESSION

St Mary's

Saturdays after the 10.00 a.m. Mass

DAILY MASSES

St Mary's

Mon. – Sat. – 10.00 a.m.

First Friday – 10.00 a.m.

WORKING HOLY DAYS

St Mary's

Vigil Mass: Sat 7.00 pm

Morning Mass: 10.00 am

Ladychapel:

Vigil Mass: 8.00 pm

*Notices for inclusion in the Sunday Missalette must be sent to the Parish Office
no later than 12.00 on Wednesdays*