

**This weekend we remember the following people for whom we have been asked to pray since our last newsletter...**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- Donal Fitzgerald
- Noel Shannon
- Nellie Ryan
- Joe Chu
- Myles Kinsella
- Mary Morrison

- Mary Ann McMackin [13th Anniversary]
- Billy Russell [Anniversary]



**...may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.**

**Parish Lotto**

every Tuesday at 11am  
in the New Life Centre.

Results from 10th March 2026

01	16	23
JACKPOT #1 = €3,000 NO WINNER		
05	12	17
JACKPOT #2 = €871 NO WINNER		

Envelopes available in the New Life Centre and at the back of the Church.

**NEXT WEEK'S LOTTO DRAW WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 18th MARCH, DUE TO THE BANK HOLIDAY.**



The Oblates are delighted to offer Online Retreat Evenings led by Fr Irvin Morastil OMI and Fr Eduardo Nuñez-Yepez OMI on Zoom.



These evenings will provide an opportunity for deeper reflection and spiritual growth from the comfort of your home, through this sacred season.

Join them every Wednesday throughout the Lenten season for Online Lent Retreats.

Wednesdays: 18th and 25th March at 8pm – 9pm via Zoom. Register at [oblates.ie/retreats-2026/](https://oblates.ie/retreats-2026/). All are welcome!

*Please keep our Parish Newsletter in mind for any news items and notices that you would like to bring to the attention of the parish community.*

*All items will need to be handed into the New Life Centre by lunchtime on Wednesday at the latest for inclusion in Sunday's Newsletter*



Our Lady Immaculate Church  
darndale belcamp parish

**Sunday, 15th March 2026  
Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A**

**To Daffodils  
by Robert Herrick**

**Fair Daffodils, we weep to see  
You haste away so soon;  
As yet the early-rising sun  
Has not attain'd his noon.  
Stay, stay,  
Until the hasting day  
Has run  
But to the even-song;  
And, having pray'd  
together, we  
Will go with you along.**

**We have short time to stay,  
as you,  
We have as short a spring;  
As quick a growth to meet  
decay,  
As you, or anything.  
We die**

**As your hours do, and dry  
Away,  
Like to the summer's rain;  
Or as the pearls of morning's dew,  
Ne'er to be found again.**



**Daffodils  
by Charles A. Heath**

**And now here come the daffodils,  
The trumpeters of spring,  
All tooting joy, which thrills and thrills,  
The while again they bring  
Their happiest note attuned with cheer  
To tell that spring is truly here.**

A special request from Fr Michael was to include a poem about the daffodils that are reminding us of Spring.

Instead of the usual Wordsworth 'I wandered lonely as a cloud' that some of us remember from school, here are a few other offerings...

## CHURCH COLLECTIONS

The church collections since our last newsletter amounted to:

**FIRST COLLECTION: €93.90**

**and SECOND COLLECTION: €88.50**

Both these collections are sent to the Diocese.

The **FAMILY OFFERINGS** [this year they are the **ORANGE ENVELOPES**], which remain in the parish, came to: **€235.60.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**



Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on

**Wednesday 18th March 2026 at 7.30pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Road, Northern Cross.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 404 5378 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

**ANOTHER WAY DARNDALE 5K**  
25TH APRIL 2026  
KIDS RACE @ 10:30AM  
5K @ 11:00AM  
ENTRY €15  
INCLUDES T-SHIRT AND NUMBER POSTED + MEDAL  
€5 FOR UNDER 13'S  
RECEIVE A MEDAL & T-SHIRT ON THE DAY  
REGISTER AT [MYRUNRESULTS.COM](http://MYRUNRESULTS.COM)



## DARNDALE BOXING CLUB

**Hard Luck to Martin James Connors and Oscar Dooley**

**who were beaten on points in the All Ireland Semi Finals on Monday night—'they woz robbed' according to coaches Joe Lawlor and Carl Meehan. Hard Luck also to Kayla Myles who was also beaten in the Semi Finals.**

**Coaches Joe Russell and Carl Meehan said that Martin and Oscar were very unlucky in two very close decisions. Drake Doherty also fought on Wednesday in the All Irelands. Well Done to all from Joe Russell and all coaches, club members, boys and girls.**



## WELCOME FR UDARA

**We would like to extend a warm Irish 'Céad Míle Fáilte' to Fr Udara, as he joins us here in the Oblate Community in Darndale Belcamp Parish. Fr Udara joins us all the way from Sri Lanka and 'officially' joins the Anglo Irish Province of the Oblates in March.**

**Say hello to him when he's out and about and wish him well in his new mission.**

## International Women's Day in Darndale

Many thanks to Sr Lumay and her team who provided a wonderful celebration for International Women's Day last Sunday, with food available for all afterwards.

The following prayer was the Communion Reflection and was worthy of reproduction again this weekend.

### Prayer for International Women's Day

Women are a reflection of the glory of God.

Today we honour the women of all times and all places:

Women of courage.

Women of hope.

Women suffering.

Women mourning.

Women living fully.

Women experiencing joy.

Women delighting in life.

Women knowing the interconnectedness of the human family.

Women honouring the sacredness of the relational, the affective.

Women quietly tending the garden of human flourishing.

Women boldly leading the transformation of unjust global structures.

Women seeking wisdom.

Women sharing wisdom.

Women receiving love.

Women giving love.

Women: life-giving.

Women: the image of God.

Loving God, we celebrate your faithfulness and love. On this day, we commit ourselves to the promotion of

the full humanity of all women everywhere.

We know that whatever denies, diminishes, or distorts the full humanity of women is not of God. Help us to be faithful to your call to love. Amen.



**The Feeding of the 5,000...**



**Jesus and the Samaritan Woman [Gospel Drama]**