

## CHURCH SERVICES

### The Eucharist

**Sunday:** Saturday Vigil 6 p.m.  
Sunday 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 12.15 p.m. & 6 p.m.

**Weekday:** Monday to Friday 10 a.m. & 7.30 p.m.  
Saturday 10 a.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

After 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. Mass on Saturday and on request.

### Baptism

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 1 p.m.  
1 month's notice required. Book a baptism at the sacristy or parish office.  
Preparation meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, 8 p.m. in the Parish Centre.

### Marriage

By arrangement with one of the Priests.  
A minimum notice of 3 months is required.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Church Sacristy** – Phone: 01-8214652

**Our Lady's Parish Centre** – Phone: 01-8209907

**Parish Website** – [www.castleknockparish.ie](http://www.castleknockparish.ie)

**Parish Newsletter** – Notices may be sent by email to [ourladysparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourladysparish@gmail.com)  
Written notices may be handed in to the Parish Office during office opening hours.  
Deadline for submissions is Thursday evening.



## OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK, DUBLIN 15

### 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018

The Scripture readings at Mass this weekend, and the Gospel in particular, make it very clear that being a disciple of Jesus Christ is no easy task. It's a challenging and demanding vocation that requires effort, commitment and perseverance if it is to be faithfully lived.

Every believer must answer the question that Jesus poses in the Gospel – *Who do you say I am?* A personal relationship with Jesus is central to Christian life and living. Imagine Jesus putting that question to you today. What would you say in response? How would you answer it?

Jesus is not shy when it comes to talking about what will happen to him in Jerusalem. He does not try to water down the suffering that awaits him. Unpleasant and unpalatable as it is, Jesus knows that he must embrace what lies ahead if he is to fulfill the mission of salvation that he has come on earth to achieve. The great Christian symbol, the Cross, is a constant reminder for us of what Jesus did to save us.

Finally Jesus points out that his followers have to be prepared to take on all the ups and downs of life. There will tough and difficult moments in all our lives but perseverance and fidelity will ultimately bring the reward which we all seek, namely being with the Lord and sharing his glory in heaven for ever.

May the Lord support us all the day long as we strive to faithfully follow him in all that we do and say. Amen.

*Fr. Kieran Coghlan*

### **Crosscare – Social Support Agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin**

The annual collection for the Community and Homeless Services of Crosscare will take place at all Masses this weekend, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> September. It replaces the usual SHARE collection at the offertory of the Mass.

**Kerala (India) collection.** A big thank you to all who contributed to the collection for Kerala (India) last Sunday. €3034 was collected and a total of €11,675 was collected at churches in the Dublin 15 area. This will be forwarded to Fr. Binoy in Kerala and will go a long way to helping the people to rebuild their lives there. Míle buíochas.

**Edmund Rice College.** Edmund Rice College is a new co-educational Catholic school that opened in 2017. The school currently caters for students from Castleknock, Carpenterstown and surrounding areas. Our temporary accommodation is in Mill Road, Blanchardstown Village. The school is holding an Open Evening on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 7 to 9 p.m. Please come along and meet the students and staff.

**St. Vincent's Castleknock College - Open Night.** All boys in 5<sup>th</sup> class only are welcome with a maximum of two guests to accompany them. To secure a place please log onto Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/st-vincents-castleknock-college-open-night-2018-tickets-49941080115?aff=ebdssbdestsearch> Those who wish to attend must register no later than Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September. Also, the closing date for applications for First Year 2020 is 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

**Bethany Bereavement Support.** *How Bethany helped me on my Grieving Journey* - A public talk by Nuala Casey in St. Francis Xavier Church, Gardiner Street, Dublin 1 on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 p.m. Free admission. All welcome.

**Viatores Christi – Overseas Volunteers Required.** Volunteer Carpenters, Builders, Media Specialists, Early Childhood Practitioners, Occupational therapists, Primary + Secondary Teachers, Social Workers, Farmers etc. required for placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas experience required, no upper age limit! Volunteer training programme begins 22<sup>nd</sup> September in Dublin. Open to all. Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email [apply@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:apply@viatoreschristi.com).

**Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.** *The Songs and Poems of Percy French*, a fundraising concert in the Drafocht Theatre, Blanchardstown on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 8 p.m. Tickets €15. Phone 01-8852622.

### **Catholic Marriage Encounter – Enrichment Weekend**

Presented by married couples and a priest, a Marriage Enrichment Weekend is a residential workshop that offers married couples in a good relationship the opportunity to explore, renew and enrich what they already have going for them. The next residential Weekend will be from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at The Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry (110 km/70 mins from Dublin Airport). For info. and to book, visit [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie) or call 01-845 3517.

**“29<sup>th</sup> September 1979” Preparations for the Papal Visit to the Phoenix Park.** An exhibition in the Phoenix Park Visitor Centre recalling preparations for the visit of Pope John Paul II in 1979. Open every day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until 30<sup>th</sup> September.

**Irish Wheelchair Association.** Have you got a head for heights? Why not take part in Irish Wheelchair Association's Abseil in Croke Park on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October. To register or to find out more check out [www.iwa.ie/abseil](http://www.iwa.ie/abseil)

**Lumen Dominican Centre.** There are still places available on the Spirituality Programme being offered by Dominican Centre, Sion Hill, Blackrock. This two-year part-time programme takes place on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9.30 p.m. and on six Saturdays each year. It starts on 27<sup>th</sup> September. It is open to all, no prior learning is required and there are no exams. For further information contact Anne Ryan at [anneryanflanagan@gmail.com](mailto:anneryanflanagan@gmail.com) or 086-8843652.

**Spirituality and Human Development Course.** Marino Institute of Education. This Adult Education Certificate is open to all regardless of formal educational background. It is a two-year part-time course which takes place on Tuesday evenings and four Saturdays throughout the year. There will be ten modules and four workshops. This programme begins on 25<sup>th</sup> September. For further information, contact Mary at [mary.gao@mie.ie](mailto:mary.gao@mie.ie) or at 087 4508549.

**BA in Theology and Religious Studies.** This degree, awarded by DCU, is a modular degree for mature students. Students take 5 to 7 modules a year over 4 to 5 years on Thursday evenings plus a few Saturdays. This degree offers an opportunity to explore the big questions of life, ethics, culture, justice and the significance of religion in a complex world. For further information please contact Dr. John Murray at [john.murray@dcu.ie](mailto:john.murray@dcu.ie) or 01-7007479 or see [www.dcu.ie/DC300](http://www.dcu.ie/DC300)

**Bricks 4 Kidz Lego After-School Classes. Thursdays, Our Lady's Parish Centre,** Junior Builders 1.40 - 2.40, Senior Builders 2.45 - 3.45.  
Book: [www.bricks4kidz.ie/fingal-santry](http://www.bricks4kidz.ie/fingal-santry)

**Castleknock I.C.A. will host a talk on Music Appreciation by Michael Grant** .sponsored by Shaw Trust on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Sep. at 8.15pm in Parish Centre , Beechpark Lawn. All welcome .Admission Free.

**St Brigid's GAA, Navan Rd. Nursery every Saturday from 9.30 to 11.00.** All 4 to 7 year olds welcome.

**Platform Stage school recommenced on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept.** For further details call Liz 086 2245113 or details on website [www.platformstageschool.ie](http://www.platformstageschool.ie)

**The Irish Cancer Society operates a free Volunteer Driver Service for referred patients attending hospitals for chemotherapy treatment. Please volunteer.** All volunteer expenses are paid. Call Laura on 01 2310 594 or visit the Irish Cancer Society website [www.cancer.ie](http://www.cancer.ie).