

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

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at 1 p.m.
1 month's notice required. Book a baptism at the sacristy or parish office.
Preparation meeting, 1st 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.

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

Parish Website – www.castleknockparish.ie

Parish Newsletter – Notices may be sent by email to 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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th October 2018

In years when it is not a Sunday, today 7th October is usually celebrated as the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius V on the anniversary of the naval battle at Lepanto in 1571. It was said that the Christians were victorious in the battle because of the help of the holy Mother of God invoked by the praying of the Rosary.

The Rosary is a devotional prayer with a long history going back many centuries. Essentially it is a prayer that honours Mary as the Mother of God and seeks her intercession while meditating on various events in the life of Jesus Christ. In times gone by before the invention of printing, and when large numbers of ordinary people were unable to read and write, the Rosary was a useful tool for teaching people about events in the life of Jesus that are central to the Christian faith.

Today there are twenty mysteries or events that we are invited to meditate on when we pray the Rosary. They are divided up into the traditional Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries and the more recent Luminous mysteries added by Pope John Paul II in 2002. When meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary we are invited to see how these mysteries may speak to us in living our Christian lives today.

The Rosary was for many years the great family prayer in Ireland. As a daily family ritual it is now practically extinct. October is sometimes called the month of the Rosary. Perhaps it's an opportune moment to commit to the daily recitation of this unique prayer.

Fr. Kieran Coghlan

Day for Life

This Sunday is a Day of Prayer for Life. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. You can deepen your understanding of Catholic Social Teaching on this issue by exploring the material available at www.chooselife2018.ie/Day4Life

First Holy Communion 2019

Parents of children preparing for First Holy Communion in 2019 are invited to a meeting in the Church on **Wednesday 17th October** at 8.15 p.m. Details of the *Do This in Memory* parish preparation programme will be presented. Application forms to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be available at the meeting.

Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith, Ireland

Following the passing of the referendum removing the protection for unborn babies in Ireland we ask you to come and pray the Rosary on the Coasts of Ireland on **this Sunday 7th October** 2018 for the protection of unborn babies & for the strengthening of the Catholic Faith here. Details of locations at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie

St. Thomas Churchyard, Mulhuddart (Church of Ireland at Hollystown)

The parish is now in a position to offer burial spaces in St. Thomas' Churchyard Mulhuddart, for purchase in advance. If you would like more information on this, please contact the Parish Office on 01-8200040 or email cmcparishoffice@gmail.com. There are strict terms and conditions that will need to be followed and agreed to.

Catholic Grandparents Association

The next meeting of the Catholic Grandparents Association will be held **next Tuesday, 9th October**, at 10.30 am in the Parish Centre. A programme of events for the coming year will be discussed. A 20-minute talk entitled "End of Life Issues" will take place during the meeting. It will be followed by a 10-minute question and answer session.

All are welcome – members and non-members.

Parish Centre Activities

Arts and Crafts Workshops for children

Mondays and Tuesdays, 2.30 - 3.30pm, Our Lady's Parish Centre, for children aged 8 - 12 years old. Monday 8th October is a free class so please come and see what we are about. For further information, contact Ciana at 087 1370070, or theschoolforcreatives@gmail.com

Information on other activities from Centre Reception.

Anam Cara North Dublin

Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 17th of October** at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Volunteering Opportunities

Welcoming Migrants

Fáilte Isteach is a project involving volunteers welcoming migrants into their local community through conversational English classes. 4 classes are operating in the Blanchardstown area. No experience necessary – training will be provided. If interested, please e-mail faileisteach@empower.ie or mshannon@empower.ie or phone Monica on 01-8209550 or 087 9304535

Irish Cancer Society

Volunteers needed to work in our Daffodil Centres in Dublin hospitals which provide information and support to cancer patients, their families and anyone concerned about cancer. Training will be provided. If you'd like more information on becoming a volunteer please contact Deirdre Murphy, Irish Cancer Society Tel:01231 0564 or dmurphy@irishcancer.ie

Digital Skills Training

Free basic iPhone, iPad, smartphone, tablet training starting shortly in Huntstown Community Centre. If you would like to book a place, please call Angela on 046 9280790

St. Brigid's GAA

Nursery every Saturday from 9.30 to 11.00. All 4 to 7-year olds welcome.