

## CHURCH SERVICES

### THE EUCHARIST

**Sunday:** Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 10.00am and 12.00 noon  
**Weekdays:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10.00am  
Tuesday, Thursday 7.30pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** After 10.00am and before 6.00pm Mass on Saturdays and on request.

**Baptism:** Normally on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 1.00pm. Enquiries to the parish office.

**Marriage:** By arrangement with one of the Priests.

### Evening Weekday Mass availability in our Deanery:

- St Brigid's, Blanchardstown, 7.30pm Mass on Mondays
- St Luke's, Mulhuddart, 7.30pm Mass on Wednesdays
- St Patrick's, Corduff, 7.30pm Mass on Fridays

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Fr. Damian McNeice – Phone: 089 445 3987

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**Parish Office** – Monday to Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.  
Phone: 01-6409601 Email: [parishoffice@castleknockparish.ie](mailto:parishoffice@castleknockparish.ie)

**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 emailed to [ourladysparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourladysparish@gmail.com) Written notices may be handed in to the Parish Office. The deadline for submissions is Thursday evening.

**CHURCH NOTICE BOARD, BOOKSHELF OR TABLE AT BACK OF CHURCH**  
Please do not leave any material (notices/leaflets/books/publications, etc.) on the table, bookshelf or on the Church notice board without checking with Fr Damian or the parish office. Thank you

### SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

Our Parish follows the Safeguarding policies of the Archdiocese of Dublin.

All policies relating to the Safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults are available on the Dublin Diocesan website.

See <http://csps.dublindiocese.ie/policies>



# OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PARISHES OF  
ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, LAUREL LODGE  
AND ST MOCHTA'S PORTERSTOWN.

## PENTECOST SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026

**PENTECOST:** "YOU SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT, AND THEY ARE CREATED, AND YOU RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH. MAY THE GLORY OF THE LORD LAST FOREVER! MAY THE LORD REJOICE IN HIS WORKS!" *PSALM 104: 30-31*

**NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** - YOU ARE WARMLY ENCOURAGED TO CONTINUE TO PRAY OUR DIOCESAN NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT - FOR THE INTENTION OF RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF DUBLIN. THIS PRAYER CONTINUES THROUGH PENTECOST AND FINISHES THIS MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY ON THE FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF OUR PARISH. KEEP THIS PRAYER (BELOW) WITH YOU, MAYBE IN YOUR PURSE OR WALLET OR STUCK TO THE FRIDGE DOOR AND TAKE A MOMENT TO MAKE OF YOURSELF A PLACE OF DEEP WELCOME FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT, LIKE MARY OUR MOTHER.

### OUR NOVENA PRAYER

**MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH**, STAND WITH US AT THIS SPIRIT-FILLED TIME. GRACE US WITH YOUR FAITHFUL PRESENCE AS WE PRAY, REFLECT AND PLAN.

**MARY, OUR MOTHER**, WRAP YOUR MANTLE OF GENTLENESS AND COURAGE AROUND US. INSPIRE US TO SAY 'YES' TO YOUR SON, AS WE BREATHE IN THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH AND LOVE, TO RENEW OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH AROUND JESUS.

**HOLY MARY**, YOU STOOD AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS, BROKEN-HEARTED. YOU WITNESSED THE JOY OF THE RESURRECTION AND THE WONDER OF PENTECOST. YOU WALKED GREAT DISTANCES IN YOUR TIME. BE WITH US NOW ON OUR SYNODAL JOURNEY, *BUILDING HOPE*.

**BELOVED MOTHER**, OPEN OUR HEARTS GENEROUSLY TO OUR BAPTISMAL CALLING. ENCOURAGE US INTO EVER DEEPENING COMMUNION WITH YOUR SON, WITH EACH OTHER, WITH THOSE MOST IN NEED, AND WITH ALL OF GOD'S CREATION.

**A MUIRE MHÁTHAIR**, HOLD US CLOSE TO YOU AS WE EMBRACE GOD'S LOVING INVITATION TO WHOLENESS, HEALING AND PEACE. AMEN

**JESUS AND THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST** Video-talks by Dr Brant Pitre in which he explains why the Church accepted the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist from the very beginning. Concluding this Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm in St Mochtas Parish Pastoral Centre. Admission is free and all are welcome.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Congratulations to the boys and girls from CETNS and CNS who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. May blessings flow abundantly for them and their families. Let's keep them and those currently preparing for Confirmation in the communion of our prayer.

**BLANCHARDSTOWN FESTIVAL OF BRASS** takes place this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May in the grounds of Scoil Bhríde NS, Blanchardstown Village and will be a celebration of 200 years of Blanchardstown Brass Band.

**2 Stages, 12 Bands and 400 musicians** in an afternoon of music & fun from 12 noon to 6pm. Each band will perform individually and the highlight will be a Massed Band performance by 400 musicians in the presence of the Mayor of Fingal and invited guests at 3pm. Blanchardstown Tidy Towns group will run several family friendly activities including Face Painting, Fun Photo Gallery, Children Seed Sowing, Guess the weight of the Tuba, Fun Games and much more. This free event is suitable for all the family and will feature some of the best Brass and Concert Bands in the country, and special guests Band Pres Porthaethwy from Menai Bridge in Wales.

**LECTIO DIVINA** - Prayer and contemplation of the Gospel. Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre.

**PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP** - Family Meditation in our Church this Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May from 2.35pm to 3pm.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP** continues Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May in St Thomas the Apostle Day Chapel, 10.30 to 11.10am.

**MULHUDDART CEMETERY MASS AND BLESSING OF THE GRAVES - SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 3PM**

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTA - ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH, LAUREL LODGE.** Gather and pray during the month of May to honour Our Lady, to pray for world peace and for your own personal intentions. **4pm daily** in front of the statue of Our Lady in the church car park. All are welcome!

**HEALING MASS NEXT FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 7.30PM, ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, CORDUFF.** Celebrant - Fr Emmet O'Hara, a Pallottine from Shankill. Adoration from 7pm. All are welcome.

**CHURCH SHOP** - Open after 10am Mass on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and on Sunday morning after both Masses. Come in and browse our new stock! Card payments are now possible too.

**ST. MOCHTA'S CHURCH REPAIRS:** Over the past 18 months, approximately €48,000 has been spent on repairs on the church buildings in Porterstown. Further significant urgent preservation works are currently under way to the cast iron guttering and roof with the total costs estimated at in excess of €75,000. St Mochta's Parish Finance Committee have been very diligent in seeking grant aid through the Built Heritage Scheme and from Fingal County Council, but are facing a shortfall of around €20,000 to this bill. If anyone is in a position to make a donation towards these repairs, please contact Fr Damian directly or June Phelan, St Mochta's parish secretary, on 01-8213218 / email [secretary@stmochtasparish.ie](mailto:secretary@stmochtasparish.ie)

**PPC CRY OF THE EARTH PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT.** We are seeking support from parishioners to clear the pampas grass in front of parish centre - it's choking the beautiful mahonia tree, rose bushes and other shrubs. The plan is to have a small sensory garden in its place. Hopefully we'll get sponsorship to dig up/rotovate the area and we'll get a donation of topsoil to renew the area for planting. Parishioners may be in a position to access appropriate equipment to move these plans forward. We need more hands-on board too - with longer days you might consider spending some time responding positively to 'The Cry of the Earth' and support all living things. For further information, contact Mags Condon 086 839 2518

**THE WAY** a digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops' Conference dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. Discover the faith, live faith and pass on the faith, for both seekers and followers. Visit [www.theway.ie](http://www.theway.ie).

**41<sup>ST</sup> ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY - SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, KNOCK SHRINE** - to pray for a renewal of faith in Ireland, and for peace in the world. The day include talks, Mass, anointing of the sick, a healing service. See [allirelandrosaryrally.com](http://allirelandrosaryrally.com) for more details, the schedule, and a list of bus options.

**NATASHA: A TRUE STORY OF DISABILITY, CARING AND POLITICS**, all proceeds towards a sensory garden for adults / children with a disability and autism in Avista St Vincent's. See parish notice boards for details.

### **RE-JOYCE WITH PALESTRINA CHOIR**

A unique celebration of sacred music from Ulysses and other works by James Joyce, with The Palestrina Choir. Time: 7:30pm. Date: Bloomsday, **June 16<sup>th</sup>**. Location: St. Mary's Cathedral, Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.

This Bloomsday, experience a glorious evening of sacred music from Ulysses and other works by James Joyce. This special concert will explore the musical life of Joyce's Dublin as well as Joycean links with both the Palestrina Choir and the Pro-Cathedral itself. Sit back and listen to readings from Joyce's work and some of the most beautiful sacred music ever written.