

## 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

**.SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISH PARTNERSHIP:** - St Mochta's, Porterstown - Saturday Vigil 6pm, Sunday 11am. St Thomas the Apostle, Laurel Lodge - Saturday Vigil 6.30pm; Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am. For those seeking an evening Sunday Mass, St Philip the Apostle, Mountview have one at 6pm.

**Evening Weekday Mass availability in our Deanery:**

- St Brigit'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

**Fr. Denis O'Connor CSsR** -Phone: 01-8214003

**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.

## 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>

**CHURCH NOTICE BOARD, BOOKSHELF OR TABLE AT THE BACK OF THE**

**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.



# OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**3 May 2026**

**LAY MINISTRY APPEAL** The Appeal and special SHARE collection in support of the ongoing development of Lay Ministry building faith-filled communities in our Diocese will be held this weekend, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of May.

**"JESUS AND THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST"** IS A SERIES OF THREE SHORT 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. Starting Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm in St Mochtas Parish Pastoral Centre for three Monday nights. Admission is free and all are welcome.

**THE JOY OF HOPE** - 'The Joy of Hope' is a video course filmed on the Greek Island of Patmos where St John wrote the Book of Revelation. It concludes this Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock. Admission free; for further information, please text or phone Marian 087 295 8363 or Aengus 087 216 1199.

**ETERNAL REST** Please pray for the souls of Maurer Holbanel, Ethna Murphy and Marie Spain whose funerals took place on Monday, Thursday and Friday respectively. May the Lord grant them eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all who mourn.

**ST. MOCHTA'S CHURCH REPAIRS:** Over the past 18 months, approximately €48,000 has been spent on repairs to this mother church of our Partnership. Unfortunately, further significant urgent preservation works are still required this year 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 fundraising and seeking grant aid through the Built Heritage Scheme and from Fingal County Council, but are still 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)

**LECTIO DIVINA** Prayer and contemplation of the Gospel. Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP** continues Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May in St Thomas the Apostle Day Chapel, 10.30 to 11.10am.

**PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP** Family Meditation in our Church this Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May from 2.35pm to 3pm.

**TAIZÉ PRAYER – 8TH MAY** Our final meditative Taizé prayer before the summer break will take place in our church at 7pm next Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. All are welcome, with an extra warm welcome for the young and the young at heart.

**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 welcome!

**ROSARY RALLY – SATURDAY 16TH MAY, 4PM – IRELAND NEEDS FATIMA** Millennium Park Gate, Blakestown Roundabout, Blanchardstown.

**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 VINCENT'S CASTLEKNOCK COLLEGE SCHOOL IMMERSION PROGRAMME TO KENYA FUNDRAISERS**

Twelve students from Castleknock College are raising funds for the Vincentian Lay Missionaries School Immersion Programme to work in Matisi, Kenya. All funds raised go directly to Matisi School and Street Boys Programme run by the Daughters of Charity, providing essential education and support to young people in rural Kenya. Boys from Castleknock College will speak very briefly at all Masses next weekend on this.

#### **St Vincent's Castleknock College – Quiz Night – next Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm, The Carpenter Pub**

Join us for a Quiz Night in aid of the **St Vincent's Castleknock College Kenya Immersion Programme 2026**. Gather a team for a table of four (€50) and take part in a great night of fun! Raffle tickets will also be available to purchase on the night, with great prizes to be won.

#### **CASTLEKNOCK TIDY TOWN'S FUND-RAISING COFFEE MORNING**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May in Castleknock Church of Ireland Parish Centre, Castleknock Rd., 10am - 12.30pm. We were very grateful for your generous support last year, and hope to see you again this year for a cuppa, cake and a chat while enjoying D15 traditional music.

#### **CASTLEKNOCK COMMUNITY COLLEGE - ANNUAL PLANT SALE AND RAFFLE**

This year's Plant Sale will take place next weekend – Sat 9<sup>th</sup> and Sun 10<sup>th</sup> May from 10am to 5pm on the college grounds. It is one of the highlights of the year for our school and local community, and all proceeds go directly towards enhancing student life and resources at Castleknock Community College.

The sale features a fantastic selection of:

- Summer bedding plants, potted plants, hanging baskets
- Compost, fruit & vegetable plants, pots and tubs
- A coffee & tea shop, BBQ, pizza and delicious homemade cakes
- A Monster Raffle with amazing prizes.

#### **STOP THE PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS - DUBLIN 15**

We wish to thank all parishioners who attended the two meetings on Christian Persecution that took place in the Parish Centre last Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April after our masses. We hope that you found the meetings to be informative, and we are very grateful to Fr. Francis Femi Oladiipo for being our guest speaker. For more information on this issue, please see the Aid to the Church in Need website at [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org)

**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.

**PPC CRY OF THE EARTH PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT.** Over the last few weeks you will have seen signs of spring's arrival around you and specifically in the grounds around our parish church. We are grateful to the young people in our community who are taking care of our plants and to their parents who discourage them from playing amongst them, showing respect and care for 'God's Garden'. 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/rotavate 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

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**AnamCara** Online Bereavement Information Evening Tuesday 19 May at 7pm.