

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 2nd and 4th 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 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

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Parish Office – Monday to Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
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Church Sacristy – Phone: 01-8214652

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Parish Website – www.castleknockparish.ie

Parish Newsletter – Notices may be emailed to 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>

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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.

**11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
14 JUNE 2026**

FR DENIS: There has been an outpouring of emotion and responses from our parishioners on hearing Fr Denis' news that he will be retiring from being Curate here in Castleknock in July due to the burdens of ill health. We feel as though we are losing a soul friend and eternally grateful to him for all he has been and done among us. We will have a Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr Denis' ministry in our parish at **10am next Sunday 21st June**. Bishop Paul Dempsey and some of Fr Denis' Redemptorist confreres hope to join us. Go raibh maith agat, a chara dhílis.

DAY FOR LIFE – This year's Irish Bishops' Day for Life, Sunday 21st June.
“**The humanity of the unborn child**”

Every year our Day for Life falls on Father's Day and we wish our fathers a blessed day. We remember with gratitude the loving care and direction our parents gave to us, whether they are still with us or have gone to the Lord. Parenthood is a vocation of joys and hopes, of griefs and anxieties. On this year's Day for Life, we would like to acknowledge the particular grief of mothers and fathers who have lost a child before birth or in infancy. Mother's Day and Father's Day can be especially difficult for parents who experience the loss of an infant. Such loss often takes its bodily toll upon the mother, and it can leave fathers feeling helpless and unsure of how to support their family, or of how to express their own grief.

To read the full bishops' message visit <https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2026/>

MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP FARRELL ABOUT THE SUMMER DUES INITIATIVE

He writes: “In the Gospel reading for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear about the call of the Apostles to follow Jesus (Matthew 10:1-2). Their call was to minister with him, to share the good news of God's love for all in Jesus, 'to proclaim that the Kingdom of God is very close at hand' (Matthew 10:7). The mission of 'the Twelve' of imitating Christ with compassion for all those who suffer, and bringing with them his healing and peace, continues in the Church's

pastoral ministry. The ministerial priesthood has come down to us in the Church from Jesus and the Apostles. Please encourage and pray for your priests in their ministry, and pray, too, for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. As Jesus says: 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest (Matthew 9:37).' The Summer Dues appeal contributes to the essential support of priests. The generosity that you have towards your priests is indispensable. Please play your part, too, in a renewed and active involvement of all the baptised as together we build a synodal Church, nourishing and supporting each other, led by the Holy Spirit and counting the wonderful blessings of God in our lives." [*All Dues throughout the year, Christmas, Easter and now these Summer Dues – and our First Collection at Sunday Mass - go directly to the Diocesan Common Fund administered by the Diocesan Finance Secretariat.*]

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: THANK YOU! Last Sunday at the end of the 10am Family Mass, most of the large congregation attending that Mass joined our simple Blessed Sacrament Procession out of the church and around the nearby green. We lived how Christ is our companion (from the Latin *cum*, meaning 'with' and *pane*, meaning 'bread') on our pilgrim journey to God the Father's House. We welcomed Christ walking with us and prayed his blessing upon our community. Our sincere thanks to all who made this such a prayerful celebration of faith: to Olive in the Sacristy, who, as ever, made sure everything was ready, to those who supplied the baskets of rose petals strewn along our path by the children, to those from our Children's Liturgy Team who helped to line everyone up with lights, to our altar servers, Deacon Arcadius and to the Family Mass Group for the lovely music and singing as we walked. Moladh go deo le Dia! Blessed be God for ever. *Fr Damian*

ETERNAL REST Please pray for the soul of our parishioner Margaret Brady whose funeral took place on Friday. May the Lord grant her eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all who mourn.

ROSTER: MINISTERS OF THE WORD The new roster for Ministers of the Word is available on the parish website. Copies are available in the Sacristy.

CASTLEKNOCK VILLAGE FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND - SAT 13TH JUNE 11AM TO SUN 14TH JUNE 5PM

<https://www.eventsinfingal.ie/events/castleknock-village-festival>

The festival may cause traffic delays and diversions if you are trying to get to or around Castleknock village this weekend, including to Mass.

LECTIO DIVINA Prayer and contemplation of the Gospel of the following Sunday. Wednesday 17th June from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre.

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP Family Meditation in our church, Wednesday 17th June from 2.35pm to 3pm. **Note:** This is the last meditation until after the summer.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP continues Thursday 18th June in St Thomas the Apostle Day Chapel, 10.30 to 11.10am.

CONFIRMATION IN OUR PARISH - Congratulations to the children from St Brigid's National School who were confirmed in our parish on Thursday 11th and Friday 12th June. May blessings galore flow for them and their families. Keep them and those currently preparing for Confirmation in your prayer.

POPE LEO on AI: Copies of Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* (The Grandeur of Humanity), on safeguarding the human person in the time of artificial intelligence, are available on our parish bookshelf, €7.50.

ANNUAL NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE celebrating the World Day for grandparents and the elderly. Sunday 26th July, Knock Shrine - a day of grace and blessing for the whole family as we honour grandparents and the elderly. All are welcome. Anointing - 2:30. Mass - 3:00. Rosary procession (weather permitting). Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin, primate of All Ireland. Music Una Nolan and choirs. Guest soloist Dana - Rosemary Scallon.

CROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK A sincere thank you for your donations to the Foodbank over the past two weekends - your continuing support is very much appreciated. All food collected is donated to needy families in the D15 area. Martin (086 159 1188)

MULHUDDART CEMETERY MASS AND BLESSING OF THE GRAVES - THIS SUNDAY 14TH JUNE, 3PM

SING-ALONG SOCIAL FOR OVER 55s, Parslickstown House, Mulhuddart, Wednesday 17th June 3pm Join the Sunshine Spirits for a fun musical afternoon filled with favourite tunes and good company.

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.

RE-JOYCE WITH THE PALESTRINA CHOIR A unique celebration of sacred music mentioned in Ulysses and other works by James Joyce, with The Palestrina Choir. 7:30pm, Bloomsday, Tuesday 16th June, St. Mary's Cathedral, Marlborough Street, Dublin 1. Sit back and listen to readings from Joyce's work and some of the most beautiful sacred music ever written including Palestrina's Missa Papae Marcelli, Mozart's Twelfth Mass, and Handel's Hallelujah Chorus. Don't miss this incredible musical collaboration presented by Darina Gallagher, Director of the James Joyce Centre, and Blánaid Murphy, Director of the Palestrina Choir of St Mary's Cathedral.

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.

BARNARDOS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Contact Lisa Tobin

- lisa.tobin@barnardos.ie. Roles include:

Intergenerational reading programme (55 years and over) in Dublin 11, Wizard of Words – WoW. Volunteer Administration role, one morning per week, Head Office, Christchurch Square. July start.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 24th June at 7.30pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924.