

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 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 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.
A minimum notice of 3 months is required.

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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

Divine Mercy Sunday

24th April 2022

Easter continues...

As we continue to rejoice in the Easter Season, we remember that today our sisters and brother of the Orthodox Christian traditions celebrate their Easter Sunday. Over and over, they will sing the following refrain: “Christ is risen from the dead! By death He conquered Death, and to those in the graves He granted life.” “For truly sacred and all festive is this saving night, and this shining, light bearing day, the harbinger of the Resurrection, whereon the Timeless Light bodily from the tomb upon all hath shined” [*Ode VII of the Paschal Canons*].

“It is the day of Resurrection, let us be radiant for the feast, and let us embrace one another. Let us say, Brothers and Sisters, even to them that hate us, let us forgive all things on the Resurrection, and thus let us cry out: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and on those in the tombs bestowing life!” [*Paschal Stichera*]

“Let us all enter into the joy of the Lord! First and last alike receive your reward; rich and poor, rejoice together! Sober and slothful, celebrate the day! You that have kept the fast, and you that have not, rejoice today for the Table is richly laden! Feast royally on it, the calf is a fatted one. Let no one go away hungry. Partake, all, of the cup of faith. Enjoy all the riches of God’s goodness! Let no one grieve at his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed. Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again; for forgiveness has risen from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the Death of our Saviour has set us free.” [*The homily of St John Chrysostom for Easter Day*]

Divine Mercy Sunday - 24th April

In our Deanery area, this year's Divine Mercy ceremonies will take place in St Philip the Apostle Church, Mountview, Clonsilla starting at 3pm next Sunday 24th April with the usual ceremonies, confessions and finishing with Mass at 6pm. All are welcome.

Seeing your Life through the Life of the Gospel

Second Sunday of Easter - John Byrne OSA

- ‘Peace be with you’ was the greeting of Jesus on meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing peace at times when you were afraid? To whom have you been able to bring peace?
- Thomas, doubting and questioning, is possibly a person with whom we can identify. What positive part have doubting and questioning played in your life? How have such moments helped you to know that your life is worthwhile? How have questions and doubts strengthened your faith?
- Note the way that Jesus dealt with Thomas. He did not give out because he doubted. He accepted how he felt and led him along to see the truth of his resurrection. Who has been that kind of teacher for you, gently taking you where you were and leading you to a deeper knowledge of some truth about life? For whom have you been that kind of teacher?
- ‘Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed’. That requires great trust. During the recent pandemic there were times when one wondered if we would ever see the end of it. Where did you find hope as the pandemic continued month after month?

Child Friendly Liturgies

The 10.00am Mass every Sunday morning here in Our Lady Mother of the Church features the ministry of our Family Mass Group who are happy to involve young volunteers to assist with the reading of Prayers of the Faithful and the Presentation of the gifts of Bread and Wine. They also encourage the children to gather around the Altar as we pray and sign the Our Father.

The Pope’s Monthly Intention

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Rally for Life

The RALLY FOR LIFE is back. After two years the BIGGEST pro-life event of the year is back in-person. Thousands will gather to “Stand for Life” on **July 2nd** in Dublin city centre.

Birdsong of the Dawn

The Sanctuary is inviting you to join us from your own home or onsite as we celebrate the wonderful birdsong of the *Dawn Chorus* in a special mindful way. On Sunday Morning, **May 1st at 4.15 am**, we will be hosting a special online and onsite event broadcast live to mark the occasion. We have a fantastic program with wonderful guests Sr. Stan, Fiann Ó Nualláin and Jane Negrych. The event will take place from 4.15am until 7.00am online via Zoom or onsite at: www.sanctuary.ie. For further information, phone 01-6705419.

Rosary at the Grottos

The Rosary will be prayed each day during the month of May at hundreds of grottos around the Island of Ireland. To see a list of locations, visit www.coastalrosaryireland.ie We are praying for Ireland and for peace in the world.

Porterstown Parish – Lourdes Pilgrimage

Departing **23rd June 2022**, 4* Hotel Solitude, 5 nights full board. Fr Paul Ward will be the Spiritual Director. Welcoming Parishioners from Castleknock and Laurel Lodge. For further details contact St Mochta’s Parish Office 01-8213218 or email secretary@stmochtasparrish.ie

Six Eurovision Winners to perform in Charity Concert

St Mary’s Pro-Cathedral is holding a charity concert on **Monday 25th April at 7:30pm** in aid of Peter McVerry Trust, Blossom Ireland and Dogs Aid. “Eurovision Voices” will feature six of the competition’s winners: Johnny Logan, Linda Martin, Niamh Kavanagh, Dana, Paul Harrington and Charlie McGettigan and Secret Garden. Tickets are €30 available from Eventbrite.ie.