

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.

Other 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 Newsletter – Notices may be sent to

ourladysparish@gmail.com Written notices may be handed in to the Parish Office during office opening hours. The deadline for submissions is Thursday evening.

THE DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022

Wednesday 7th to Monday 12th September. Join hundreds of Dublin pilgrims led by our Archbishop, Dr. Dermot Farrell, on this visit to Our Lady's Shrine in Lourdes in the south of France, which features a full programme of liturgies and services. Our own Fr Damian is Master of Ceremonies on this pilgrimage. From €759p.p.s. Book through Joe Walsh Tours Office: 01-2410800.

<https://joewalstours.ie>



OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

16TH SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME, 17TH JULY 2022

MARTHA AND MARY: MAY PRAYER AND ACTION ALWAYS BE DEEPLY UNITED.

“This Sunday we continue reading the 10th chapter of the Evangelist Luke. The passage today is that on Martha and Mary. Who are these two women? Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus, are the relatives and faithful disciples of the Lord, who lived in Bethany. St Luke describes them in this way: Mary, at the feet of Jesus, “listened to his teaching”, while Martha was burdened with much serving (cf. Lk 10:39-40). Both welcome the Lord on his brief visit, but they do so differently. Mary sets herself at the feet of Jesus to listen but Martha lets herself become absorbed in preparing everything, and so much so that she says to Jesus: “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me” (v. 40). And Jesus answers scolding her sweetly: “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing” (v. 41).

What does Jesus mean? What is this one thing that we need? First of all, it is important to understand that this is not about two contradictory attitudes: [listening to the word of the Lord](#), [contemplation](#), and [practical service to our neighbour](#). These are not two attitudes opposed to one another, but, on the contrary, they are two essential aspects in our Christian life; aspects that can never be separated, but are lived out in profound unity and harmony. Why then was Martha scolded, even if kindly, by Jesus? Because she considered only what she was doing to be essential;

she was too absorbed and worried by the things “to do”. For a Christian, works of service and charity are never detached from the principle of all our action: that is, listening to the Word of the Lord, to be – like Mary – at the feet of Jesus, with the attitude of a disciple...

In our Christian life too, dear brothers and sisters, may [prayer](#) and action always be deeply united. A prayer that does not lead you to practical action for your brother or sister – the poor, the sick, those in need of help, a brother or sister in difficulty – is a sterile and incomplete prayer. But, in the same way, when ecclesial service is attentive only to doing, things gain in importance, functions, structures, and we forget the centrality of Christ. When time is not set aside for dialogue with him in prayer, we risk serving ourselves and not God present in our needy brother and sister. St Benedict sums up the kind of life that indicated for his monks in two words: *Ora et labora*, prayer and work. It is from contemplation, from a strong friendship with the Lord that the capacity is born in us to live and to bring the love of God, his mercy, his tenderness, to others. And also our work with brothers and sisters in need, our charitable works of mercy, lead us to the Lord, because it is in the needy brother and sister that we see the Lord himself.

Let us ask the Virgin Mary, the Mother of listening and of service, to teach us to meditate in our hearts on the Word of her Son, to pray faithfully, to be ever more attentive in practical ways to the needs of our brothers and sisters.”

- - - *Pope Francis, July 2019*

Host Family Wanted.

Host Family wanted in Castleknock area for a Spanish student attending Transition Year in Castleknock College for the next academic year. Excellent terms and conditions. For further information please contact Una Kilroy at Cara Education. Email: una@caraed.ie
Mobile: 0857276829.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage, Knock, Sunday 24th July.

- The National Grandparents Pilgrimage will be celebrated at Knock Shrine on Sunday 24th of July at 3pm.
- The pilgrimage coincides with the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.
- All are welcome to this wonderful occasion at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, where the principal celebrant will be Dr Francis Duffy, Archbishop of Tuam, and Patron of the Catholic Grandparents Association.
- Anointing of the Sick will be at 2:30pm, followed by the Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm.
- If interested, please contact Joyce Dillon - 086 374 8825; John McCullen - 086 234 6147; Donal O'Sullivan - 087 246 1916. If sufficient numbers are interested in attending, a bus will be organised.

Special Notes

- The Lourdes Pilgrimage. 7th to 12th September 2022. Please see all the details on Page 4 of this newsletter.
- Prayer for Blessing of Grandparents: Lord God almighty, bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
- Newsletter: Our Newsletter will not be issued for the next three weeks as the Newsletter Team will be taking a short ‘break’. Next issue: 21st August 2022.

World Youth Day : Lisbon 2023

At Pope Francis’ invitation, the next World Youth Day will take place in Lisbon from the 1st to the 6th August in 2023. Parishes and individuals are now invited to register their interest in attending WYD Lisbon. It is intended to have the option for teenagers aged 16-18 to be able to participate as well as those aged 18-29. The organisers would like to hear from you before September so that they can focus and fine tune the various package options that will be proposed.

Contact: wyd@dublindiocese.ie