

## 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

**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 during office opening hours. The deadline for submissions is Thursday evening.

**THE DONATE BUTTON ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE** This button, which can be found on the website homepage, is a convenient and easy way to donate to our parish, contribute to Christmas, Easter or Summer Dues. You can also contribute to the usual weekend first and/or second collections, towards our parish running costs and also to donate to our Third World Partnership (TWP) project.

**SACREDSPACE.IE** a daily prayer website offering a meditation on the Gospel, available in 21 languages, including Gaelge of course, also available as a free App for your mobile phone.



## OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

**11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023**

**DAY FOR LIFE 2023** Day for Life is celebrated this Sunday 18 June. The theme is 'Listen to Her' and focuses on the experience of one Catholic woman in the aftermath of abortion. It tells of her journey towards healing. The hope is that this will help us to listen, to understand and to respond with compassion. You can read the message in full on [www.councilforlife.ie](http://www.councilforlife.ie) In listening to Mary, our Mother, and following her example, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, invites us to discover our personal call from God who is the source of our existence, reminding us that, "Each human being is called by God to enjoy the fullness of life; and, is entrusted to the maternal care of the Church. Every threat to human dignity and life cannot but have an effect on her heart, on her maternal 'womb'. To defend life is not an ideology for the Church. It is a reality; a human reality which involves all Christians, precisely because they are Christian and because they are human". All who participate in this year's Day for Life are assured of Pope Francis' prayers, particularly for all expectant mothers and their families.

**SUMMER DUES** Two years ago Archbishop Farrell introduced a third Dues collection, called "Summer Dues", to give another opportunity for those who may have missed the Christmas or Easter Dues to support the Diocesan Common Fund. As with the First Collection at Masses each Sunday and everything contributed to Christmas and Easter Dues, all these monies go directly to the Common Fund. It is from this fund that Fr Denis and I – and all priests with a Diocesan appointment – then receive a monthly stipend. It also pays for the care of sick and retired priests of our Diocese. I am conscious that this seems to be inviting the same group of faithful people - who always contribute generously - to make yet another offering and that this may be burdensome when many other demands are being made on your resources at present. If you are

able to make a contribution to the Summer Dues, envelopes will be available on the table at the back of our Church for the next few weeks and as ever your support of priests ministering in our Diocese is greatly appreciated. *Fr Damian*

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the pupils from St Brigid's School, Castleknock Educate Together and Castleknock National School who recently completed their Christian Initiation when they received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thanks to the candidates themselves, their teachers, catechists and all involved in the parish team for these lovely celebrations. May the Holy Spirit, breath of God's loving kindness, hold the newly Confirmed in Divine peace and be their helper and guide all through this life and into eternal life.

#### **ROAD CLOSURES IN CASTLEKNOCK ON SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023**

Fingal County Council will temporarily close a number of roads in our area this Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June to facilitate the Castleknock 5k and Castleknock Village Festival. Tower Road, White's Road and College Road will be closed from 10.30am to 12 noon. The R806 Castleknock Road from the junction at College Road (Myos) to the junction with Auburn Avenue will be closed from 10am to 6pm.

**LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE FROM ST MOCHTA'S PARISH, PORTERSTOWN** Friday, 7th July to Sunday 9th July, departing from St. Mochta's Church Courtyard at 8am. If you are interested in going, please phone St. Mochta's Parish on 01 8213218, email [secretary@stmochtasparrish.ie](mailto:secretary@stmochtasparrish.ie) or contact Ellen on 087 9668356.

#### **CHROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK - Dublin 15**

Thank you all those parishioners who kindly donated non-perishable food items for the Food Bank last weekend. All the donated food was delivered last Monday evening. We will continue collecting items and the box for food donations will be in place in the church porch on Saturdays and Sundays.

If you would like to support this important work please leave any of the following non-perishable food items in the boxes in the church porch:

Cereal/Porridge, Meal Sauces for Curry, Sweet and Sour, Korma, etc, Tinned Fruit/ Ambrosia, Chocolate Spread, Tea/Coffee, Biscuits, Soup, Miwadi, Pasta, Rice, Noodles, Crackers, Chopped Tomatoes, School Lunch Items, Pasta Sauce, Beans, Peas, Sweet Corn, etc, Jam, Marmalade, Cereal Bars.

**ETERNAL REST:** Please pray for the soul of John Malone from Ashtown whose funeral took place in our Church this past week. May the Lord console and accompany all who mourn.

#### **PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY PROGRAMME**

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course. run by the Dublin Archdiocese, on Thursday evenings in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Upper Drumcondra Rd, Dublin,9. September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m). Application is now open. Early application advised. Contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594 or [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie). Web: [www.missionministry.ie](http://www.missionministry.ie)

**THIRD WORLD PARTNERSHIP (TWP) – OUR LINK WITH A PARISH IN METCHA BORRODO, ETHIOPIA** We have been supporting this Ethiopian parish including its school and students since 2008. Over the Covid epidemic you have helped us build toilets, showers and a water tower. Our partners in Ethiopia have asked us to help them to replace the final two dilapidated classrooms in the school. With severe inflation in Ethiopia since we last built classrooms, the cost of this building has been set at over €79000. We have €35000 towards this from donations to date. If any parishioners know of any source of funds including employers and company funds, or are willing to support us by running marathons or any other way, please contact the TWP at [TWP@castleknockparish.ie](mailto:TWP@castleknockparish.ie), or use the DONATE button on the parish website, or phone Stephanie at (086) 821 1141.

#### **ALL-IRELAND RALLY FOR LIFE**

Saturday 1st July 2023. Assemble at 1.00pm in Parnell Square. March to celebrate 'Life'.

#### **PUBLIC MEETING**

Clonsilla Inn on Tuesday 20th June 2023 at 8.00pm. Information on Parents' Rights in Education with reference to the new SPHE Curriculum. A panel of expert guest speakers will be present. All are welcome.

#### **NEW APOSTOLIC NUNCIO**

Archbishop Farrell's words of welcome for Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Apostolic Nuncio, can be read here:

<https://dublindiocese.ie/words-of-welcome-for-archbishop-montemayor/>