#### CHURCH SERVICES

THE EUCHARIST

Sunday:

6.00pm

Saturday 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

Church Sacristy - Phone: 01-8214652

Our Lady's Parish Centre - Phone: 01-8209907

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.

#### THE DONATE BUTTON ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE

This button, which can be found on the website homepage, is a convenient online way to donate to our parish or to contribute to Dues. You can also contribute to the usual weekend 1st and/or 2nd collections, towards our parish running costs and also to our Third World Partnership (TWP) project.

THE HALLOW APP: "Pray with millions around the world alongside Mark Wahlberg, Jonathan Roumie, Sr. Miriam, Fr. Mike, and more on Hallow, the #1 prayer app in the world." Many are finding elements of this American Church prayer app a useful spiritual companion.



# **OUR LADY MOTHER** OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

#### 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2023

PETER'S PENCE is the name for the financial help offered by the faithful to the Holy Father in support of his apostolic and charitable mission in the universal Church and the entire world. Each donation, small or large, also has a powerful symbolic value - it is a concrete sign of our communion with the Holy Father.

Peter's Pence helps our Pope exercise his universal mission in two ways: It makes possible many works of service throughout the universal Church, carried out by the Dicasteries that assist the Pope in evangelisation, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication, etc. And it contributes to numerous charitable works directly assisting the most in need (people and families in distress, populations hit by natural disasters or war, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or development support).

The Peter's Pence collection takes place in the our parish and across our Archdiocese this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

"The Church is all of us! All those who follow the Lord Jesus and who, in his name, come close to the least and the suffering, seeking to offer a little relief, comfort and peace" - Pope Francis

ANNUAL CEMETERY MASSES: Dardistown Cemetery - 3pm, July 2 (today); Newlands Cross Cemetery - 3pm, July 9.

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. 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* 

# **DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS**

Starting this September, the Office of Mission and Ministry will be offering a **Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis**. This is a modular course over seven full Saturdays in St Paul's Church, Arran Quay, Dublin 7. **Part One of the course explores Foundations in Catechesis** with four modules:

- Module One: The Vocation of the Catechist Called to Share Faith
- Module Two: Catechesis and the RCIA
- Module Three: Catechesis, Method and Content
- Module Four: Catechesis, Prayer and Liturgy

Part Two of the course explores Catechesis in Practice with three modules:

- Module Five: Accompanying Families for Baptism
- Module Six: Accompanying Families for Holy Communion
- Module Seven: Accompanying Families for Confirmation On completion of the course participants will receive the Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis. Assessment will be done through journaling. To register or for more information please contact:

patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie

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@stmochtasparish.ie or contact Ellen on 087 9668356.

### CHROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK - DUBLIN 15

We wish to thank most sincerely all those who have generously contributed and donated non-perishable food items for the Food Bank over the last two weekends. Your support is much appreciated. The box for donations of non-perishable food items will again be in place in the church porch this weekend - 1st and Sunday 2nd July.

# 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. Web: 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 €79,000. We have €35,000 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 or use the DONATE button on the parish website, or phone Stephanie at (086) 821 1141.

# SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

At a first reading the demand of Jesus sounds selfish 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me.' It only makes sense when we realise that Jesus will never be outdone in generosity.

Jesus never wanted suffering for anyone but he knew that if a we are going to follow in his footsteps, promoting love and respect for every person, we will meet with opposition. Fidelity has its price, but also rewards. Would you agree?

The passage is a call to both radical and practical discipleship. When have you found that in order to achieve a certain objective you had to make it a priority, and then take the practical steps necessary to reach your goal? What were the benefits to you when you did this? 'Hate' is prophetic exaggeration for the uncompromising loyalty Jesus seeks in disciples. There may be times when people make demands in conflict with fidelity to another relationship. This can be painful. When have you found that being clear about your priorities helped you in that situation? (John Byrne, OSA, from INTERCOM magazine)