#### **CHURCH SERVICES**

THE EUCHARIST

Sunday:

Saturday

Sunday

10.00am and 12.00 noon

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10.00am

6.00pm

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.

## 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

Lourdes Associate Fund Collection: The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from the 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of September. There are several 'stalwarts' of this wonderful faith event from our own parish. We will be bringing over 100 sick pilgrims to Our Lady's Shrine this year where countless people have experienced God's grace and healing. For many years, parishioners were invited to help contribute to the cost of bringing a sick pilgrim to Lourdes through the *Lourdes Associate Fund*. At present, we ask each sick pilgrim to contribute €590 towards the cost of his or her travel and stay. We never refuse an application on the grounds of not being able to afford this. The actual cost per sick pilgrim is over €1,000, factoring in the expense of necessary medical equipment and supplies.

This weekend, 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> September we will have a Lourdes Associate Membership collection outside the church after Masses to give you an opportunity to contribute to the cost of bringing sick pilgrims on our Diocesan Pilgrimage. If anyone would like their intentions brought to the Grotto at Lourdes, please leave them as soon as possible in to the sacristy in an envelope marked for Fr Damian's attention. Your intentions will be remembered at the Masses we celebrate there. Thank you on behalf of our sick pilgrims in anticipation of your support of our Diocesan Pilgrimage.

#### **FAMILY FAITH CAMP:**

Our parish Children's Liturgy Group are running a Family Faith Camp on Saturday 16th September from 2pm to 4pm in Castleknock Parish Centre. The Programme includes bible stories told in a fun, interactive and creative way. Activities such as art, drama, music, games, surprises, treats and more! Open to all ages. Please book in advance as spaces are limited. To sign up phone 086-061-0686, 087-718-3980 or online:

https://form/jotform.com/232152033665348

#### TAIZÉ PRAYERS

Our own parish Taizé prayer group will hold their monthly prayer in our Church on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm and all are welcome. Pope Francis has asked the brothers of the Taizé Community to lead an ecumenical prayer moment for young people entitled "Together 2023" in St Peter's Square, Rome, on 30<sup>th</sup> September next. This huge prayer event is being mirrored all over the world and a Taizé evening prayer will take place here in Dublin on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in ChristChurch Cathedral, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 to which all Christians are welcome.

#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD - ROTA

The new rota for Ministers of the Word, covering September to November, is on the parish website and is available in the sacristy.

#### LECTIO DIVINA

We see in the Raising of Lazarus that it is the Word of God that calls our souls to life. If you would appreciate time for Spiritual reading, meditation, prayer and contemplation of the Gospel for the following Sunday - an opportunity to listen, share, discuss and pray the Living Word, please come on Wednesday 6th September from 10.45am to 11.15am in our parish centre. For information, contact Marian on 087-295-8363.

Society of St Vincent de Paul (Castleknock). The Society wishes to record its thanks and appreciation for the amount of €2,130 collected in the parish last weekend. Míle buíochas.

#### **ECUMENICAL GRAVEYARD SERVICE**

St Mary's Church of Ireland in Clonsilla will have an Ecumenical Graveyard Service on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm which will include the Blessing of Graves. All are welcome.

#### 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 (7.00pm to 9.30pm). Application is now open. Early application is advised. Please contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01-808-7594 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 €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, or use the DONATE button on the parish website, or phone Stephanie at (086) 821 1141.

"Teen Hope" is a parish-based faith outreach to teenagers (1st, 2nd and 3rd year post-primary level). We're continuing this programme in September 2023. Sessions will be held on a monthly basis in the Pastoral Centre beside St. Bridget's Church, Blanchardstown. For further information, Parents and Guardians are invited to a short Information Meeting on Thursday 14th September at 7.30pm in Blanchardstown Church Extension. The team delivering the programme have been trained by the Diocese and are fully vetted. Consent Forms signed by a parent/guardian are required for all participants in the programme.