

## 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

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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. The deadline for submissions is Thursday evening.

**Centenary Celebrations of St Therese of Lisieux's Canonisation**  
**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 11am-3pm, Carmelite Friary Church, Kildare Town. See church notice board for details.**

**Venerable Matt Talbot Centenary Weekend Services**  
**Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>. Details to follow.**

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# OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

## PALM SUNDAY: 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025

### OUR HOLY WEEK & EASTER CEREMONIES

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm** Our Parish Partnership Penitential Service, Rite II celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, with several visiting priests.

### THE TRIDUUM

**HOLY THURSDAY - 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: 5pm** Family Mass and 7.30pm Mass of The Lord's Supper, followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose and finishing at 9.20pm with a simple Night Prayer

**GOOD FRIDAY - 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL** *A Day of Fasting and Abstinence*

10am Ecumenical Walk of Witness: starting in Laurel Lodge Church, on to our Church and finishing in St. Brigid's, Church of Ireland.

12 noon Stations of the Cross for Children: 3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 8.00pm Adult Stations of the Cross.

**HOLY SATURDAY - 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL:** 10am Morning Prayer followed by Confessions until 12noon. 9.00pm Easter Vigil of the Holy Night

**EASTER SUNDAY - 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL:** 10am Mass of the Lord's Resurrection and 12 noon Mass of the Lord's Resurrection.

### SAVIOUR OF EVERY LIFE

**Christ Jesus, Saviour of every life,**

**You take our burdens upon yourself.**

**You suffer with all who bear the cross of suffering  
in whatever form it takes.**

**So that, with you, we can move forward:  
from worry and anxiety to trust, from darkness to light.  
With you accompanying us, even what pains our heart,  
even our own darkness**

**can be made bright by the inner light of the Holy Spirit.**

**You stretched out your arms on the cross  
and reconciled us to one another and to the Father.  
You brought God and humanity together in your body.**

**Wrap your arms around our broken lives  
and restore us to the harmony that exists in you.**

*(Adapted from a prayer of Br Roger of Taizé)*

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION PRO TERRA SANCTA for the support of Christians in the Holy Land.** The annual Good Friday collection, instituted by Pope Saint Paul VI, is taken up for the support of the Christian Holy Places and Christian people in the Holy Land. This year is truly essential especially due to the ravages of war in the region and the almost complete disruption of pilgrimages and small economic activities that help support Christians and their churches there. Your support directly helps the survival of these holy places, churches and the Holy People of God in places like Jerusalem, Galilee, Nazareth and Bethlehem. They are part of our Christian Heritage dating back directly to the time of Jesus.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** Divine Mercy Sunday devotions will be hosted in our Deanery again by our friends in St Philip the Apostle Church in Mountview on Sunday 27th April starting at 3pm. The Divine Mercy chaplet will be prayed followed by Mass at 4.30pm. All are very welcome.

**UPDATES: PARISH PARTNERSHIP PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SATURDAY 26TH APRIL. LAST FEW PLACES REMAINING!** The pilgrimage will include the Sacrament of the Sick and our pilgrimage Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Farrell. A bus will be going from the churches in our parish partnership of Castleknock (collecting at 8am), Porterstown (8.15am) and Laurel Lodge (8.30am) - **please arrive early**. There are stops for light refreshments in The Radisson Blu, Athlone, on the way to Knock and also on the way back. Return times that evening will be approximately Laurel Lodge 8pm, Porterstown 8.15pm and Castleknock 8.30pm. The price per person is €50, including these refreshments. To register your interest, please email your name, telephone number and the number of people going to [parishoffice@castleknockparish.ie](mailto:parishoffice@castleknockparish.ie), or phone 01 640 9601. Please pay by 19th April, dropping an envelope marked Knock Pilgrimage into the sacristy or parish office, with your name and number. All are welcome.

**LECTIO DIVINA** Prayer and contemplation of the Gospel for the following Sunday. Wednesday 16th April from 10.30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

**POCKETS OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE - THURSDAY 17TH APRIL (HOLY THURSDAY)**  
A group of parishioners are planning to do the 'Pockets of Hope Pilgrimage' next Thursday 17th April (Holy Thursday), by visiting the Churches of St Andrew's, Westland Row; Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, City Quay; Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott Street, and St Marys Pro-Cathedral. Meeting Castleknock Train Station 9:50am. **Please ring Teresa Hawkes 086 831 1268.**

**CROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK COLLECTION** There will be a basket left out this weekend (Sat 12th / Sun 13th April) for the Croí Mháire Foodbank. Donations of Easter chocolate treat items for children of families who receive food support would be welcome. Thank you.

**CRY OF THE EARTH: Latest:** Fingal County Council are supporting our project and creating a biodiversity-rich corner on the church edge of Auburn Avenue green. A variety of sensory plants and grasses recently planted there will enhance pollinators' food supply and generate habitats for many species of insects and other creatures. Pupils from St Brigid's are involved in planting. We will increase planting too behind the courtyard cement pots, and create a haven for birds, bees, and insects. Fingal CC will plant shrubs and bushes to fill in any gaps. We request your support in creating this area for biodiversity where nature can grow and flourish.

**DUBLIN FLEADH 2025 free public events. Sunday 27th April, 1-2.30pm:** 'Vocal Care and Technique Workshop' with Mary Flaherty, Castaheaney Educate Together National School, Ongar Village, D15 AE61

**Sunday 27th April, 2.45pm-5.30pm:** 'Fleadh 2025: Singing Workshops' with Caoimhe Blennerhassett (workshop for children in Irish/ English), Mary Blennerhassett (workshop for adults in Irish/English), and Brian Arkins (workshop for adults in English), Castaheaney Educate Together National School, Ongar Village, D15 AE61

**Tuesday 29th April, 7pm:** Fleadh 2025 Lecture: 'Tuning the Radio - A look at traditional Irish music broadcasting from 1926' with Peter Browne, Church of Ireland, Castleknock, D15 P954.

**Admission free. Booking essential at [dublinfleadhevents2025@gmail.com](mailto:dublinfleadhevents2025@gmail.com) or text 0872454143.**

**CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS OF ST THERESE OF LISIEUX'S CANONISATION** Saturday 26th April, 11am-3pm, Carmelite Friary Church, Kildare Town. See church notice board for details.

**FAMILY CARERS** Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you, or for more info visit [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.ie).

**BARNARDOS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** Barnardos are looking for volunteers for specific events, such as Riverdance-aton, Gaiety Theatre, 19th June; Barnardos Giving Day, Liffey Valley, 19th September. Please email [lisa.tobin@barnardos.ie](mailto:lisa.tobin@barnardos.ie) to register your interest. See church notice board for details.

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<b>Beannachtaí na Cásca oraibh go léir.</b>