

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.

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 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.

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY – KNOCK - SATURDAY, 7TH JUNE Events begin at 9:30am with a Marian Conference and conclude with a Pentecost Vigil and Healing Service from 8-10pm. Keynote at 1pm by Mgr Steve Rossetti, USA. Rosary Procession led by children follows the Stations of the Cross at 2:30pm, with Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown. Music by Dana. A youth conference runs 6-7:30pm. Rosary Rally ends with a Croagh Patrick climb and Mass on Sunday at noon. Full schedule and bus info: www.allirelandrosaryrally.com

FAMILY CARERS Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.



OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
1ST JUNE 2025

24 HOURS PENTECOST PRAYER FOR PEACE – STARTING NEXT SUNDAY 8TH JUNE

Beginning on the Solemnity of Pentecost, our Parish Partnership will hold a 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration and Prayer for Peace hosted in **St Thomas the Apostle Church, Laurel Lodge**. It is an opportunity to present to the Lord the world's deep need for God's gift of peace. Starting with **11.30am Mass in Laurel Lodge next Sunday, 8th June**, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament will continue there all day and night, and finish with Benediction after 10am Mass on Monday 9th June. Some of these hours will have led reflections. **Sign Up!** We are looking for people to sign up from our parish to this mighty prayer event. Each of our three parishes is taking care of at least 7 hours out of the 24. We require a minimum of 3 people present for the entirety of each hour, ideally a mix of male and female. Please only sign up if you can definitely be there. The Sign-up Sheet is on the table at the back of our church.

Pope Leo on the Good Samaritan: "Life is made up of encounters, and in these encounters, we emerge for what we are. We find ourselves in front of others, faced with their fragility and weakness, and we can decide what to do: to take care of them or pretend nothing is wrong. A priest and a Levite go down that same road (*as the person left half dead*). They are people who serve in the Temple of Jerusalem, who live in the sacred space. And yet, the practice of worship does not automatically lead to being compassionate. Indeed, before being a religious matter, compassion is a question of humanity! Before being believers, we are called to be human." 28/5/25

ETERNAL REST: Please pray for the soul of Seán Medlar whose funeral will take place in our church on Monday. May the Lord grant him eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all those who mourn.

THE GIFT: LIFE IN THE SPIRIT COURSE. Continuing Wednesday 11th June at 8pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock. A series of interactive videos to help people of all ages encounter the Holy Spirit. Teachings rooted in the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, with reflections on the Holy Spirit from Pope

Francis. All welcome. Enquiries Marian 087 295 8363, Aengus 087 216 1199

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS Congratulations to the children from St Brigid's, Castleknock who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday 17th and Saturday 24th May, and to the children from CETNS and CNS who received their First Holy Communion on 31st May. May blessings galore flow for them and their families. Let's keep them and those currently preparing for Confirmation in our communion of prayer.

ROSARY TIMES: The Rosary is said in our church on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday after 10am Mass, on Tuesday after 7.30pm Mass, and twice on Thursday - at 12 noon and after 7.30pm Mass, as part of Adoration between 8 and 9pm. Everyone is welcome to join this devotion to Our Lady, and pray for peace in our world and an end to war.

CHILDREN'S ROSARY - the Rosary for children is recited every Saturday in our church at 4pm. Looking forward to seeing our young children joining us, and all are welcome.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION - Next Friday 6th June in our church, from 10.30am to 5pm. All are welcome. There is also our usual weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour on Thursdays, 8 to 9pm.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - The rota for Ministers of the Word, covering June to August, is on the parish website. Copies are available in the Sacristy.

VENERABLE MATT TALBOT CENTENARY WEEKEND SERVICES: NEXT Friday 6th June, 7pm, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott St. Talk - Matt Talbot - a Saint for our Times.

Next Saturday 7th June, 3pm, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Marlboro St. Centenary Mass celebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell. After Mass, procession to the tomb of Venerable Matt Talbot in Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Next Sunday 8th June, 2pm, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott St. Talks: 1. The Church's role in addiction and recovery. 2. The importance of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association in today's society. 4pm - Celebration of Holy Eucharist. Please see the church notice board for further details.

COFFEE MORNING IN SUPPORT OF AVISTA ST. LOUISE'S - SATURDAY 7TH JUNE, 11AM-1PM, Castleknock Lawn Tennis Club. All donations for tea, coffee and pastries will go towards helping Avista St Louise's in Glenmaroon buy a much-needed bus.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, CORDUFF - GOLF CLASSIC in aid of St Patrick's Church, Corduff, will be held next Friday 6th June in Westmanstown Golf Club. Team of 4 - €400. Sponsor a T Box - €100. Contact Anne 087 7818935

CRY OF THE EARTH UPDATE WE have taken further steps to progress the designated Biodiversity area - an area that will generate habitats and create a haven for birds, bees, insects and many other creatures. A rustic fence has been erected behind the shrubbed area to stop the destruction of shrubs and specimen small trees and damage to ground foliage that is a habitat for so many species of insects. Parishioners have donated and planted rose bushes and other plants to fill in the gaps at front and side of this area. The grassed area behind the shrubs is the perfect safe space for play. Fingal County Council have created a wonderful sensory garden with over 800 plant species at the church edge of Auburn Avenue green. This is a haven for all age groups and has enormous potential for learning about the many plant species. The Archbishop of Dublin has requested that parishes donate 30% of their grounds for biodiversity richness - our work is in response to his request. The students from St Brigid's will continue to be involved in sowing seeds and planting and there are also five parish volunteers.

We request your support in creating this conservation area where nature can grow and flourish. We'd like more volunteers to help with digging and preparing the areas to be planted. Contact Mags Condon - 086 839 2518

BEREAVEMENT - GRIEF CAFÉ, ST FRANCIS HOSPICE, BLANCHARDSTOWN - FRIDAY 6TH JUNE. 'Saint Francis Grief Café' aims to create a safe place for people who have been bereaved to come and chat over a cup of tea/coffee with others who are also grieving. Grieving can often feel isolating, but when you meet others in your locality going through similar experiences, it can help you feel more understood and less alone. Please feel welcome to attend. Members of our bereavement team will be present to answer questions you might have or to talk about living with grief. Our Grief Café will run on the First Friday of every month (next on Friday 6th June) from 10.00am to 11.30am in St Francis Hospice, Blanchardstown. Please contact us on bereavement@sfh.ie or 01 832 7535 if you have any query or would like to attend.

CASTLEKNOCK TIDY TOWNS GARDEN COMPETITION 2025 - "The Story of Your Garden". Every garden has a story - what's yours? To enter, send 3 photos of your garden, include a short description (max 150 words) telling us your story and why your garden is special to castleknocktidytowns@gmail.com between June 1st-16th. See church notice board for details.

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<p>The State Examinations - Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate - will commence on Wednesday next, the 4th June. Please be mindful of our Examinees. Bí ag guí ar a son.</p>
