

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.

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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.

Please note:

- Cry of the Earth Update
- Castleknock Tidy Towns Garden Competition
- For more details, please contact Margaret (Mags) Condon at 086 839 2518

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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8TH JUNE 2025

THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST.

Come, Holy Spirit, from heaven shine forth with your radiant love.
 Come, Father of the poor; come, generous Spirit; come, Light of our hearts.
 Perfect Comforter, you make peace to dwell in our soul: Come, Holy Spirit.
 Wonderful refreshment, in our labour you offer rest; in our trials, strength.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Kindly Light, enter the inmost depth of our hearts: Come, Holy Spirit.

Bend our rigidity, inflame our apathy: Come, Holy Spirit.

Send rain upon our dry ground, heal our wounded souls: Come, Holy Spirit.

Give us lasting joy: Come Holy Spirit, from heaven shine forth with your radiant love.

24 HOURS PENTECOST PRAYER FOR PEACE – STARTING THIS SUNDAY, 8TH JUNE
 Beginning on this Solemnity of Pentecost, our Parish Partnership will have 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 and justice in this moment of history plagued by the horrors of war. Starting with **11.30am Mass in Laurel Lodge this 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. Please only sign up if you can definitely be there. The Sign-up Sheet is on the table at the back of our church.

CASTLEKNOCK BRANCH OF CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY IN ROME.
 The 1st International Conference of the Catholic Grandparents and the Elderly was held in Rome to coincide with the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the Association. The highlights of the Pilgrimage were walking through the Holy Door at St. Peter's in this the Jubilee Year, led by Cardinal Napier O.F.M. (one of the Conference

keynote speakers, who was educated in Ireland) and at the General Audience with the Holy Father. Delegates from England, Ireland, America, Gibraltar, Malta, Africa, the Philippines and beyond came together to discuss the most effective means of passing on the Faith to our grandchildren. Inspiring talks from Cardinal Napier from Durban, Archbishop Gilbert Garcera and Fr. Lambert of the Philippines, Vittorio Scelzo and Gabriella Gambino (both from the Dicastery of Laity, Family and Life) and others focussed on the role of Grandparents and the Elderly and on their vocation. The Dublin Archdiocese and the Castleknock Catholic Grandparents Association were represented at the conference by Joyce Dillon, Donal O'Sullivan and John McCullen. The four-day conference served as a platform for spiritual renewal, reflection, and dialogue, with the goal of revitalizing the role of grandparents and the elderly within the life of the Church. Attendees engaged in meaningful discussions on intergenerational faith transmission, community-building, and discerning their place in the synodal journey of the Church. Eamon McDonnell from the Navan (County Meath) Grandparents Group got to meet our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV on the group's Wednesday visit to the Vatican. The Catholic Grandparents Association continues to champion the spiritual role of grandparents worldwide, promoting their mission to keep prayer at the heart of family life and to pass on the faith to future generations.

ETERNAL REST: Please pray for the soul of Helena Roddy (née Murphy), late of Woodberry, whose funeral took place last Friday. May the Lord grant her eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all those who mourn.

THE GIFT: LIFE IN THE SPIRIT COURSE. The final evening of this course takes place this Wednesday, 11th June, at 8pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock. The course consists interactive videos to help people of all ages encounter the Holy Spirit. Teachings are rooted in the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, with reflections on the Holy Spirit from Pope Francis. All are welcome. Enquiries Marian 087 295 8363, Aengus 087 216 1199.

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.

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.

CONFIRMATION IN OUR PARISH. Congratulations to the children from Castleknock Educate Together NS and Castleknock NS who were confirmed in our parish on Saturday 7th June. May blessings galore flow for them and their families. Let's keep them and those currently preparing for Confirmation in our communion of prayer.

CORPUS CHRISTI EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION . SUNDAY 22ND JUNE, IMMEDIATELY AFTER 10AM MASS All children who would like to participate in any way are warmly invited to join a 10-15-minute practice after 10am Mass in our church next Sunday 15th June.

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP. The Family Meditation continues from 2.35pm till 3pm in our church on the second Wednesday of each month, so we look forward to welcoming you this Wednesday, 11th June.

ROSARY TIMES - OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH. The Rosary is said in our church on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday after 10.00am 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 is recited every Saturday in our church at 4pm. Looking forward to seeing our young children joining us, and all are welcome.

VENERABLE MATT TALBOT CENTENARY WEEKEND SERVICES . This 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.**

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. 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 give over 30% of their church grounds for biodiversity richness - our work is in response to this request. The students from St Brigids will continue to be involved in sowing seeds and planting and there 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

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.