# **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 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 <u>ourladysparish@gmail.com</u> Written notices may be handed in to the Parish Office. The deadline for

submissions is Thursday evening.

**LOCAL SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS** Castleknock College, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September; Edmund Rice College, Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September. Check the schools' websites for further information.

Words on the Wave: Ireland and St. Gallen in Early Medieval Europe. Experience art from Ireland's Golden Age of monastic life in this unique exhibition of early medieval treasures of our faith at the National Museum of Ireland, Kildare St, until 24<sup>th</sup> October. See poster on church notice board.

**ROSARY TIMES - OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH:** See church notice board for times. Rosary for children - Saturdays at 4pm. A box in which you can place your written intentions to be lifted up during the Rosary is at the back of the Church.



# OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

## 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

CROSSCARE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND, 20<sup>TH</sup> AND 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER

This weekend, our Dublin Diocesan Social Care Agency, Crosscare is asking for your generous support for their annual appeal as growing instability in our world continues to impact the people in our communities who are marginalised and need our support. We are delighted to welcome the Director of Crosscare, Conor Hickey, to address us at our Sunday Masses in Our Lady Mother of the Church. The collection takes place this weekend in all parishes across the Archdiocese in place of the usual Share collection. Parishioners who may not be able to contribute on these dates can support our appeal online at www.crosscare.ie or use the links in our posters and printed materials to donate.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE – 8 WEEK COURSE IN ST MOCHTA'S In this course, Jeff Cavins brings us through the underlying story that holds all the scriptures together, from Genesis to the Acts of the Apostles. This video-driven course continues in St Mochta's Parish Pastoral Centre, Porterstown, D15 Y580, this Monday  $22^{nd}$  September at 7:30pm and continue for the following six Monday evenings. Admission is FREE. For further details, phone or text Aengus on 087 216 1199, or Marian on 087 295 8363.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 28TH The annual Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday takes place next Sunday, 28th September. It's a time when we reflect on the importance of safeguarding children and vulnerable adults in our parishes and communities. It is also an opportunity to inform the wider faith community of the important work that our parish does to ensure a safe place for all.

ETERNAL REST: Please pray for the souls of Jean O'Regan and Joseph (Joe) O'Neill whose funerals took place in our church on Monday and Thursday respectively. May the Lord grant them eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all those who mourn.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD The rota for Ministers of the Word for September to November is on the website and available in the sacristy.

LECTIO DIVINA Prayer and contemplation of the Gospel for the following Sunday. Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

St. Mochta's Parish Golf Classic – Thursday  $16^{\text{TH}}$  October in Luttrellstown Castle Resort. Cost for a 4-ball team for the 12 o'clock 'Shotgun' start, scramble format, is  $\epsilon$ 500 (including dinner afterwards). Come and support St Mochta's on this fun golfing day. All monies raised go towards St Mochta's Parish as they face the costs of necessary and urgent repairs to their Church building. See the poster on our church notice board for details.

ST MARY'S, CLONSILLA - GRAVEYARD SERVICE - SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 3PM The Ecumenical Graveyard Service with Blessing of the Graves will be held in St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Clonsilla next weekend - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm. All are welcome. Note: The Castleknock Churchyard blessing will be held on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm.

THIRD WORLD PARTNERSHIP (TWP) The students in St. Mary's School in our partner parish in Metcha Boroddo, Ethiopia have, like our students here, returned to school after the summer. Our TWP partnership supports 185 of the poorest students in Metcha. The school has lost other funding due to US government policy decisions, and is now more dependent than ever on our support. To help us continue this work, please consider setting up a standing order, or making a recurring / onceoff payment via the DONATE button on the home page of the parish website. Email the TWP at <a href="https://document.org/twp/castleknockparish.ie">TWP@castleknockparish.ie</a> or text Stephanie at (086) 821 1141 for further information.

CROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK Thank you to all parishioners who donated non-perishable food last weekend.

We will be collecting again this weekend, 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> September. Donated items such as pasta, cereal, tinned foods, sauces etc. can be placed in the basket in the church hallway. Thank you, Martin 086 159 1188

SEEDS OF PEACE AND HOPE A service of prayer, music and reflection for this Season of celebrating God's gift of Creation. Monday, September 29, 8pm, at the Monastery of St Alphonsus, Drumcondra, D09

HN53. www.rednuns.com/webcam

AFTERNOON OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE, NEXT SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER Please join us in Castleknock College on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> September from 2.30pm. Includes rosary, adoration, testimonial, Mass, confessions. Celebrant Fr. Adrian Crowley. Refreshments after Mass. All are welcome.

HEALING SERVICE, OLHC, NAVAN ROAD, NEXT SATURDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER Healing service led by Fr Pat Collins next Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 3-5pm, Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Navan Road. See poster on the church notice board.

TEEN HOPE FAITH OUTREACH, PASTORAL CENTRE, ST BRIGID'S CHURCH, BLANCHARDSTOWN. Next Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 7-8:30pm, geared to 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> years. See poster on the church notice board.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS - ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, CORDUFF, D155 W3H.

7.30PM, MONDAYS - CONTINUES THIS MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

22<sup>nd</sup> Sept The New Life Darragh Kelehan

29th Sept Receiving God's Gift Fr Brendan Walsh 6th Oct Baptised in the Spirit Fr Emmet O Hara

WHY SUNDAY MATTERS The Irish Bishops' new pastoral message, Why Sunday Matters - An Invitation to Reflect on Sunday Mass, an introductory video and a

four-part video series titled Sunday Mass - Digging Deeper can be found at <a href="https://www.catholicbishops.ie/why-sunday-matters-resources-page/">https://www.catholicbishops.ie/why-sunday-matters-resources-page/</a>

CASTLEKNOCK TIDY TOWNS TABLE QUIZ, WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 8PM Myos, Castleknock Village. €50 per table of 4. 1st prize €200 for the winning team. Raffle and spot prizes on the night. To book and pay for tables in advance, text James on 087 225 3572

TALK ON THE PHOENIX PARK, next Sunday 28th September, 3pm, Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

Hear Dr John A McCullen, retired Phoenix Park superintendent, who has written 2 beautiful books about the Phoenix Park, give a talk about its history and evolution as a site of cultural, recreational, and historical importance. Contact Anne 087 781 8935 or Rosemary 085 737 0255 for tickets - €10 in aid of Gianna Care.

ST BRIGID'S NS, Castleknock, Enrolment for junior infants for September 2026 in St. Brigid's National School, Castleknock, will commence on Wednesday 1st October. Please see the school

website <a href="https://www.saintbrigids.ie/">https://www.saintbrigids.ie/</a> for further details. Places will be allocated in accordance with the school's Enrolment Policy.

SCOIL MHUIRE Mount Sackville will open for applications for the Junior Infants 2026 intake on Wednesday 1st October. Application forms can be found on the school website <a href="www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.ie">www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.ie</a> or from the school directly by calling 01 8213105. Scoil Mhuire is now a co-educational school and is enrolling boys and girls into the infant classes.

OUR PARISH CRY OF THE EARTH PROJECT Our biodiversity-rich parish grounds area is thriving, and the council area at the edge of Auburn Green is complementing our efforts. We request your support in maintaining the area. We need more volunteers to help with plant maintenance – watering, weeding, staking existing plants, being watchful that the fenced off area isn't disturbed. If you're available to help this parish project, please contact Mags Condon, 086 839 2518

PATHWAYS. This two-year course is aimed at adults of all ages looking to explore and grow their faith through input and small group sharing, especially for members of PPCs and those in parish ministry. Thursdays, 7.15pm - 9.15pm in DCU St Patrick's Campus from 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 to 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Cost - €300 per year. For further information, please visit

<u>www.missionministry.ie/pathways</u> or email peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie. See poster on the church notice board.

JUBILEE YEAR SPIRITUAL HOLIDAY TO ROME - organised by Fr Robert Smyth, PP of Whitehall and Beaumont Parishes. Departing Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025 - 4 nights with guided tours, visits and religious programme. €1099 per person sharing. Details on our Parish noticeboard, bookable through JWT.

Congratulations to Fr Denis who is 58 years ordained a priest this week. His Ordination took place in Galway in September 1967.

The "After Mass Tea and Coffee Group" is back in action this Sunday, with a "cuppa" after both Masses in the Parish Centre.