

CHURCH SERVICES

THE EUCHARIST: NEW MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 10.00am and 12 noon.

6.00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday.

Weekdays: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10am
Tuesday, Thursday 7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: After 10am on Saturdays and on request.

Baptism: Normally on 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 1pm.

Enquiries to the parish office.

Marriage: By arrangement with one of the Priests

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISH PARTNERSHIP:

St Mochta's, Porterstown -6.00pm vigil mass Saturday, Sunday 11am

St Thomas the Apostle, Laurel Lodge - Saturday Vigil 6.30pm; Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am.

For those seeking an evening Sunday Mass, St Philip the Apostle, Mountview have one at 6pm.

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

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.

SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

Our Parish follows the Safeguarding policies of the Archdiocese of Dublin. All policies relating to the Safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults are available on the Dublin Diocesan website.

See <http://csps.dublindiocese.ie/policies>

CHURCH NOTICE BOARD, BOOKSHELF OR TABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

PLEASE do not leave any material (notices, leaflets, books, publications, etc) on the table, bookshelf or on the Church notice board without checking with Fr Damian or the Parish Office.



OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

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

20TH SEPTEMBER 2026

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CROSSCARE'S ANNUAL APPEAL: takes place this weekend, 19th and 20th September, in place of the usual Share collection. The social support agency of our Archdiocese provides practical support to people at some of the most difficult moments in their lives. Every day Crosscare works alongside families worried about losing their home, young people in need of guidance and support, people experiencing homelessness, and migrants and refugees seeking safety and a fresh start. The theme of this year's appeal is **Hope & Resilience**, reflecting the remarkable courage shown by the people Crosscare serves every day, and the hope made possible through your generosity in our parish communities. You can support the appeal online too at www.crosscare.ie

DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY – NEXT SUNDAY – 27TH SEPTEMBER This year our Safeguarding Sunday coincides with the 'World Day of Migrants and Refugees'. Safeguarding is ultimately about creating communities where every child is valued, respected and protected. May it be an opportunity for us all to renew our commitment to making our parishes places of welcome, inclusion, safety and care for all.

ETERNAL REST: Please pray for the souls of Noreen O'Rourke, Margaret (Gretta) Lynch and Gerald (Gerry) Harrison whose funerals took place on Monday, Tuesday and Saturday respectively. May the Lord grant them eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all those who mourn.

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER and contemplation of the Gospel of the following Sunday. Wednesday 23rd September from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP CONTINUES Thursday 24th September in St Thomas the Apostle Day Chapel, Laurel Lodge, 10:30am to 11:10am.

DIVINE MERCY The Divine Mercy group meetings continue next Tuesday 22nd September at 6:30pm in the coffee dock of Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock. All welcome

FAITH FORMATION GROUP – TWO NEW COURSES: Wednesday nights in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock: '**The Chosen**' - see Jesus through the eyes of those who loved him. Season 1 of the acclaimed TV series (a video followed by group discussion) continues this Wednesday 23rd September at 7:30pm and every Wednesday until 28th October (8 sessions).

Monday nights in St Mochtas Parish Pastoral Centre, Porterstown: '**Hidden King - the Jewish Roots of St Joseph**', a series of video talks by Dr Brant Pitre continues this Monday 21st September at 7:30pm and every Monday until 23rd November (not including 12th, 19th or 26th October). Admission is free in each case and all are welcome. To reserve a place phone or text Aengus 087 216 1199 or Marian 087 295 8363. Please mention which course you are interested in - you may attend both!

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 continues to support 185 of the poorest students in Metcha and to support the parish in other ways. To help us continue this work, please consider setting up a standing order, or make a recurring/once-off payment via the DONATE button on the home page of the parish website. Email TWP@castleknockparish.ie or text Stephanie at (086) 821 1141 for further information.

CROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK The foodbank will be collecting **non-perishable food items** this weekend, 19th and 20th September, and next weekend, 26th and 27th September. Food items may be left in the basket in the church porch. All collected items will be distributed to needy families in Dublin 15. Thank you for your continued support. Martin (086 159 1188)

MINISTERS OF THE WORD The new rota for Ministers of the Word for September to November is on the website. Copies are available from the Sacristy. With thanks to those who have prepared it for us and those who proclaim God's word at the Liturgy.

CHURCH SHOP – Open after 10am Mass on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and on Sunday morning after both Masses. Come in and browse our new stock! Card and cash payments available.

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH GOLF CLASSIC: FRIDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, LUTTRELLSTOWN CASTLE RESORT. All profits from this event go towards the next phase of the much-needed restoration of St Mochta's church, Porterstown. There are a variety of ways you can support the day: (A) Enter a Team (4 Ball) for the 12 noon 'Shotgun' Start - €600 per team, which includes a lovely dinner (B) Join a Team - €150 including dinner. (C) Sponsor a T-Box or a Golf Hole on the Day (D) Attend the dinner and join in the Parish Social celebration - €60. See the church notice board for further information.

AFTERNOON OF PRAYER - NEXT SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER, CASTLEKNOCK COLLEGE Starting with Rosary at 2pm, Holy Hour 3pm, Mass 4pm. Intention - praying to Our Lady for the guidance and protection of our young people. Refreshments after Mass. All are welcome. 086 865 0708

ST MARY'S, CLONSILLA GRAVEYARD SERVICE – The Ecumenical Graveyard Service with Blessing of the Graves will be held in St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Clonsilla, on **Sunday 27th September at 3pm**. All are welcome. Note: The Castleknock Churchyard blessing will be held on Sunday 8th November at 3pm.

EDMUND RICE COLLEGE - OPEN EVENING – NEXT WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 18:30 TO 20:30

Check the school's website for further information.

CRY OF THE EARTH UPDATE The former bamboo corner outside of our parish centre is looking a little barer this week as five of the largest sunflowers were dead headed. The large seed heads have been placed on the ground for the birds to feed on, and to dry for harvesting for next year. Most of the remaining sunflower heads will stay on so that the birds, especially goldfinches, may feast on them. Three of our large buxus bushes have been blighted and will need to be replaced. This will be quite costly, so if any parishioners would like to sponsor the replacement of a shrub - to celebrate a new arrival into the family, a life well-lived, or simply to improve the grounds around our church for biodiversity - please get in touch. We are considering shrubs that produce flowers in spring and have berries as feed for the birds in autumn. We also require a cherry picker for a couple of hours to cut back the tall trees interfering with service cables. If you have access to one and are in a position to loan it to the parish, or can sponsor a shrub, please contact Mags Condon - 086 8392518

TEEN HOPE is a faith outreach to young teenagers (1st /2nd year post-primary level) in Dublin 15. Sessions are held on a monthly basis in the Pastoral Centre attached to St. Bridget's Church, Blanchardstown. First session for 2026/27 next Friday 25th September 7-8:30pm. Typical sessions consist of pizza, games, thought-provoking videos and discussion. The team delivering the programme have been trained by the Diocese and are fully vetted. For further information, contact office@blanchardstownparish.ie

COME AND ADORE HIM – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION GET TOGETHER - SAT 26TH SEPTEMBER, 10AM - 1PM

Church of the Nativity and Parish Centre Beaumont D05 X8F8 starting with Mass at 10am. Featuring Fr Adrian Crowley and Rita Daly, for those who do Eucharistic Adoration and for those who want to promote it in their parish. All welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. Inquiries to John McCormack, 087 2208714 or mccormackjohn124@gmail.com

CASTLEKNOCK TIDY TOWNS FUNDRAISING TABLE QUIZ - FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER, 8PM Venue - Castleknock Lawn Tennis Club, D15 NY10. €50 per table of four. First prize - cash prize for the winning team. Raffle on the night. Book early and pay for tables in advance by texting James on 087 225 3572

HOST A COFFEE MORNING FOR ST FRANCIS HOSPICE - THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER for family, friends, neighbours or work colleagues! To register for your Coffee Morning Pack, contact 01-8327535/01-8294000 and ask for Fundraising Department. Our team are happy to help with advice on how to organise your Coffee Morning, whether it's held in the morning, afternoon, or evening, anytime up to 31st October.

THE RELICS OF ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX AND S.S. LOUIS AND ZÉLIE MARTIN will be welcomed to Legion of Mary, De Montfort House, Morning Star Avenue, Brunswick Street, Dublin 7 D07 VA03 on Friday 2nd October at 1pm by Archbishop of Dublin, Most Reverend Dermot Farrell. They will be available for public veneration until Saturday 3rd October at 5pm when a closing mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Dempsey.

PATHWAYS INTO PASTORAL MINISTRY This course is for any adult who wants to explore and grow their faith. Over a year, participants are offered inputs on foundational issues of faith and the impact they have on ministry and parish life. There is also time for small group sharing and the opportunity for three different retreat experiences. On completion of the course, people are presented with a certificate. Pathways is run on a Thursday evening (during term times) at the St Patrick's campus of DCU in Drumcondra from 7:15pm to 9:15pm. The course starts this Thursday, 24th September, and runs until 13th May, and costs €300. For further details, please visit the adult faith section of www.dublindiocese.ie/missionministry or contact peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie.

