Church Services

The Eucharist: New Mass Schedule

Sunday 10am and 12 noon.
No 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday for July and August 2026

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 - Sunday 11am (no 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday for July and August)
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

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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.

Sunday 18th October 2026 Mission Sunday

Today, World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue and flourish. The theme for this year's celebration is: "One in Christ, United in Mission". It is a time for us to show our appreciation of the work of overseas missionaries spreading the Good News. We are joined to them in the mystical Body of Christ. As we pray to the Lord so often in the Eucharistic Prayer: "Remember your church, spread throughout the world and bring her to the fullness of charity..." Please go to www.missio.ie or Missio Ireland on (01) 497 2035 for further information.

Join us at our 2026 Remembrance Mass - Tuesday 10th November, 7.30pm
Our Annual Remembrance and Bereavement Mass has become a tradition in the hearts of many. Once again this year, we are glad to invite you, your family, friends and all who have been bereaved in the past year to attend as we remember those who have gone before us into God's loving embrace. This beautiful candlelit evening of music, reflection, and remembrance will take place on Tuesday, 10th November at our 7.30pm Mass. Those who cannot be with us in person on the night are very welcome to join us on our live stream webcam - https://www.castleknockparish.ie/webcam/
Our Parish Altar List Of The Dead "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead" [2 Mac 12:46]. Each November approaches, we remember the faithful departed. If you would like the names of your beloved dead to be included in our parish "Book of Life", for whom Mass on the first Friday of every month is offered in our Church, simply fill in the Parish Altar List of the Dead envelopes available at the back of the church and return them to the sacristy or parish office before the end of November.

Eternal Rest: Please pray for the soul of Gerald (Gerry) More O'Ferrall whose funeral took place last Friday. We pray also for Bill Ryan recently deceased (funeral Wednesday 21st October at 11am). May the Lord grant them eternal rest, and may the Holy Spirit comfort and sustain all those who mourn.

VOCATIONS NEWS There are currently six people studying for priesthood for the Archdiocese of Dublin - four in Maynooth, studying Philosophy and Theology, and two beginning their Propaedeutic Year in Valladolid, Spain. We give heartfelt thanks to their families, friends and, especially, to the parishes and communities who have supported and encouraged these young men throughout their journey of discernment. Continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. If you know someone considering a vocation, please encourage them to get in touch with the Vocations Team: vocations@dublindiocese.ie or bill.oshaughnessy@dublindiocese.ie.

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER and contemplation of the Gospel of the following Sunday. Wednesday 21st October from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP continues Thursday 22nd October in St Thomas the Apostle Day Chapel, Laurel Lodge, 10:30am to 11:10am.

FAITH FORMATION GROUP – TWO COURSES:

Wednesday nights in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock: **'The Chosen'**. Season 1 of the acclaimed TV series (a video followed by group discussion) continues this Wednesday 21st October at 7:30pm and every Wednesday until 28th October (8 sessions).

Monday nights in St Mochta's Parish Pastoral Centre, Porterstown: **'Hidden King - the Jewish Roots of St Joseph'**, video talks by Dr Brant Pitre. The next night will be **Monday 2nd November** then every Monday until Monday 23rd November. Admission is free in each case, 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.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO: During October to honour Our Lady, pray for world peace and our own intentions, at St Thomas the Apostle Church, Laurel Lodge. 4pm daily in front of the grotto in the church car park.

PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP Family Meditation continues Wednesday 21st October from 2.35pm till 3pm. We look forward to welcoming you.

MEET THE SAINTS! ALL SAINTS EVE CELEBRATION On the eve of **All Saints Day**, Saturday 31st October, which also marks the end of October, the month of the Holy Rosary, we invite all children to a special **30-minute rosary and meditation**, from **4 – 4:30pm at Our Lady Mother of the Church, Castleknock**. Children are welcome to dress up as their favourite saint! We will sing, pray a decade of the rosary, spend a few quiet moments with the Lord Jesus, and hear short stories about the saints. **We encourage children to choose a saint in advance** and, if they wish, prepare a short 30-second story or poem to share with the group, or simply tell us about the saint they were named after.

BIBLE STUDY - GENESIS WITH FR DOMINIK This free course runs once a month on Wednesdays, 8 - 9pm in St Finian's Room, Malahide Parish Centre starting on 21st October and ending in May 2027. Please see the poster on the church notice board. Further information from Ronan Reynolds on 087 242 9540. *[Please God this is a course Fr Dominik will be offering here in our Parish Partnership in the New Year]*

CASTLEKNOCK CHURCHYARD REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AND THE BLESSING OF GRAVES will take place on Sunday 8th November at 3pm. The new Kellystown Cemetery, located behind Scoil Choilm in Porterstown, is now open.

JUNIOR INFANTS' ENROLMENT, SEPTEMBER 2027:

St Brigid's NS, Castleknock. Enrolment for junior infants for September 2027 in St. Brigid's N.S., continues until 2pm on Friday 30th October 2026. Please see https://www.saintbrigids.ie/ for further details. Places will be allocated in accordance with the school's Enrolment Policy.

Scoil Mhuire Mount Sackville (now co-ed) Enrolment continues until 2pm on Friday 6th November 2026. Please see the school website https://www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.ie for further details.

CHURCH SHOP – Open after 10am Mass on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and on Sunday morning after both Masses. Card and cash payments available.

FIRST SATURDAY FATIMA DEVOTIONS PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Shrine by coach from our parish church for the First Saturdays Conference (including talks, rosary, Confession, Mass and healing) on Saturday 28th November at 8am sharp, €33 including a stop for tea and scones. See the poster on the church notice board for details.

DUBLIN CITY MARATHON – ROAD CLOSURES NEXT SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER. The Dublin City Marathon takes place next weekend, Sunday 25th October. It will involve road closures and traffic restrictions on Chesterfield Avenue in the Phoenix Park, on Castleknock Road, College Road, Tower Road and Knockmaroon, so attending a Saturday evening Mass may be of help to some of our parishioners.

PARISH CHOIR (SUNDAY MASS - 12 NOON) would welcome new members in all voice parts. The commitment is Tuesday evening 8 - 9:30pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock and Sunday mornings 11:25am - 1pm. If interested, please text Fran on (087) 640 4797 to arrange a short audition.

CRY OF THE EARTH UPDATE Three of our large buxus bushes have been blighted and need to be replaced. If any parishioners would like to sponsor the replacement of a shrub - 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 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 - 086 839 2518. If anyone would like sunflower seeds when we have them harvested and dried for sowing next spring in your own gardens, again contact Mags.