CHURCH SERVICES

The Eucharist

Sunday: Saturday Vigil 6 p.m.

Sunday 9 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12.15 p.m. & 6 p.m.

Weekday: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m. daily.

Tuesday, Thursday & First Friday 7.30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

After 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. Mass on Saturday and on request.

Baptism

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at 1.15 p.m.

1 month's notice required. Book a baptism at the sacristy or parish office. Preparation meeting, 1st Thursday of the month, 8 p.m. in the Parish Centre.

Marriage

By arrangement with one of the Priests.

A minimum notice of 3 months is required.

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Our Lady's Parish Centre – Phone: 01-8209907

Parish Website - www.castleknockparish.ie

Parish Newsletter – Notices may be sent by email to ourladysparish@gmail.com Written notices may be handed in to the Parish Office during office opening hours. Deadline for submissions is Thursday evening.



Our Lady Mother of the Church Castleknock, Dublin 15

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th February 2021

The healing power of Jesus is clearly evident in the Gospel passage we read at Mass this Sunday. Jesus is in Capernaum and the whole town is captivated by his presence. He has just preached powerfully in the local synagogue. Later on in the evening time the people start bringing their sick to Jesus and he heals many of them.

During the coming week we will mark World Day of the Sick. This is celebrated annually on 11th February, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Since the apparitions in 1858, Lourdes has been a place of pilgrimage associated with the sick. Thousands travel there every year seeking healing of body, mind and spirit. There have been a number of miraculous physical cures of various illnesses and ailments over the years. There have also been numerous healings of troubled hearts and spirits which are impossible to quantify. Without a doubt the healing power of Jesus has been at work in Lourdes.

Today, more than ever now, we need that healing power of Jesus to be at work in our world. As we live with Covid-19, we have seeen many people die after contracting the virus. Some people who recover from the infection are suffering longer term effects. The restrictions that have been put in place to suppress the virus have affected the mental health of a great number of people and the consequences of this are yet to be fully realised. May the healing grace of Jesus touch our lives, and may we, his disciples, be ministers of that healing grace in whatever way we can.

Fr. Kieran Coghlan