CHURCH SERVICES

The Eucharist

Saturday Vigil 6 p.m.

Sunday

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

Weekday:

Sunday:

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

Suspended at present due to Covid-19 restrictions. Normally on 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at 1.15 p.m.

Enquiries to the parish office.

Marriage

By arrangement with one of the Priests.

A minimum notice of 3 months is required.

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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

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 6th June 2021

This Sunday we celebrate The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known by its Latin name, *Corpus Christi*. We celebrate the Real Presence of Jesus with us in the Eucharist.

The feast of Corpus Christi was made an annual universal celebration in the Roman Church by Pope Urban IV in the thirteenth century. It invites all Christians to honour Christ truly present in the Eucharist. It reminds us too of this very special way in which the Lord continues to be present with his disciples as he had promised he would be until the end of time. Over the centuries many devotional practices, such as Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Corpus Christi processions, developed from this recognition of Jesus being present with us in this way.

Today we can readily show our belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist in a variety of ways. We can genuflect reverently towards the tabernacle on entering and leaving the Church. When we approach for Holy Communion at Mass we can respond with a firm and sincere "Amen" to the minister of Communion saying "The Body of Christ" and then receive the host with due care and respect. We can take the time to say a prayer of thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion. In these ways our actions can convey so much about our belief in Jesus being truly present with us in the Eucharist.

O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine. All praise and all thanksgiving, be every moment thine,

Fr. Kieran Coghlan

Weekday Mass

Mass will be celebrated at 10am daily Monday to Saturday. There will also be evening Mass at 7.30pm on Tuesday and Thursday this week.

Leaving Certificate

We send our best wishes to all those who begin their Leaving Cert exams on Wednesday this week.

St. Columba (Colmcille) – 9th June

This great Irish missionary of the 6th Century is best known for his monastic foundation at Iona, off the Scottish coast.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus - 11th June

Friday 11th June is the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus this year. This feastday reminds us of the great love of God for all humanity, exemplified in Jesus giving his life on the cross for the salvation of the world.

The Immaculate Heart of Mary - 12th June

Mary's love for God inspires her saying "Yes" to the invitation from God to be the mother of Jesus. Today she watches with a motherly love over all the disciples of Jesus.

Re-opening for public worship

Our Church has now re-opened for public worship. Restrictions are still in place and the attendance at any Mass is currently limited to 50 people in the main body of the church with some additional seating capacity in the gallery area.

People are asked to observe the public health guidelines when in the Church for Mass or private prayer. Entry to the Church is via the main door only at this time. Please sanitise your hands on entry to the Church. Please wear a face covering while in the church. Please sit only in the designated seating and maintain physical distancing from other people.

Due to the limited capacity at present, it is likely that at certain times the Church will be unable to accommodate everyone who may arrive to attend any particular Mass, especially on Sundays. Please note that the obligation to physically attend Sunday Mass remains suspended for the time being.

The Priory Institute, Tallaght, Dublin 24

Online Theology Open Day, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. See www.prioryinstitute.com or email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com for more information and to find out about our Online Open Day on Saturday 19th June. To register for the Online Open Day go to www.prioryinstitute.com/events/priory-institute-open-day

'He has gone out of his mind'

In the Gospel today we read that Jesus has returned home and causes quite a commotion on his arrival. Word about this healer and teacher has gotten around, the crowds have gathered, and the religious leaders are not happy. Jesus' growing popularity has started to upset daily life for his family to the point where 'they could not eat'. In an effort to protect their son and their brother, Jesus' family try to explain away his 'unruly' behaviour. They tell the crowd and the religious leaders that Jesus does not mean what he says, he has simply 'gone out of his mind'. In their view, things have gone too far. Jesus was preaching a message that seemed radical to many. He knows that bringing about God's dream for the world involves speaking out and behaving in ways that are counter cultural. The religious leaders go so far as to say that Jesus was possessed by a demon. It was their way of 'explaining away' someone that they could not cope with, someone who was challenging their systems and practices. We can think of those in society today who are 'explained away'; those whom society wishes would stop speaking out because it is uncomfortable to listen to. Name-calling is often a last resort when institutions or 'powers' are disgruntled. The young climate activist, Greta Thunberg, knows this well. Following taunts by Presidents and Fossil Fuel executives towards her, she famously said, 'When haters go after your looks and differences, it means they have nowhere left to go... and then you know you're winning.'

Jane Mellet - Intercom: The Deep End