

## 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

Suspended at present due to Covid-19 restrictions.  
Normally on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



## OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK, DUBLIN 15

### 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021

In the Gospel this Sunday the disciples are experiencing a very rough crossing of the Sea of Galilee. They are almost overwhelmed by a storm and are on the verge of sinking. Throughout it all Jesus is asleep in the stern of the boat apparently oblivious to the mortal danger that they were in. The disciples waken Jesus, chastising him for his lack of concern for their situation. Jesus displays his power over the elements, commanding the wind and sea to be calm. Jesus then challenges the disciples on their lack of faith. The disciples are amazed at all that has happened and ask one another "Who can this be?"

This story is one we often relate to our own life experience. There are times when we battle the storms of life and wonder where is God in the midst of all the turmoil and why isn't he doing something to help us. We earnestly beseech him in prayer. Invariably God comes to our rescue and the storm gives way to a period of calm. We know our faith has been put to the test when we reflect back on all that has taken place.

The story reminds us of the importance of placing our trust in God when things are difficult and never to lose hope when we feel we are on the point of being overwhelmed. God is always there for us even if we doubt his presence with us in that moment. If we seek his help in prayer, God will not let us down. In one way or another he will intervene to bring calm to whatever troubles beset us and help us regain our peace. This sense of trust and confidence in God in the face of adversity is particularly evident whenever we pray the Psalms.

*Fr. Kieran Coghlan*

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**Church Sacristy** – Phone: 01-8214652

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

**Parish Website** – [www.castleknockparish.ie](http://www.castleknockparish.ie)

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

**Father's Day:** We ask God's blessing on all fathers on this Father's day.

### **Summer Offering**

To help replenish the reserves in the fund that provides for the priests of the diocese, parishioners are invited to make a summer offering at some time between now and the end of August. Summer Offering envelopes are available on the table at the back of the Church.

### **Reflection on the Year of St. Joseph**

Mary Louise O'Donnell, together with her sister Teresa and the group Vox Hiberniae have prepared a reflection to mark the Year of St. Joseph. "A Celtic Journey with St. Joseph" celebrates St. Joseph's life with voice, harp and strings and will air on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm. It will be available at the following link: <https://youtu.be/Y498lnt5ZmY> or you can visit <http://www.youtube.com/c/voxhiberniae> for details.

### **Lough Derg 2021**

Lough Derg regrets that it is not possible to reopen Station Island for the Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage or even for the autumn programme of Day Retreats this year. Lough Derg will again offer the opportunity to "Do Lough Derg from wherever you are" from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> July. The outdoor *Pilgrimage on the Lough Shore Pilgrim Path* will also be available as the summer goes on. Further information from the Lough Derg office on 071-9861518 or see [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

### **St. Patrick's College, Maynooth**

#### **New research on the impact of Covid19 on funerals**

Bereaved families, and those who support and care for them, have had to adjust to dramatically different circumstances during the COVID-19 pandemic. In this study, we want to explore the impact of public health measures, which were meant to limit virus transmission, on your experience of dealing with dying, death, and Catholic funerals. We invite you to participate in our study by taking our survey and/or participating in an interview. Find out more at <https://maynoothcollege.ie/covid-19-and-funeral-rituals-and-practices-a-study>. **Here is the link to our online survey:** <https://maynoothcollege.ie/covid-19-and-funeral-rituals-and-practices-a-study>.

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### **PATHWAYS: Exploring Faith as an Adult**

*Pathways* is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings, 7pm to 9.30pm from late September to May. Run by the Archdiocese of Dublin in DCU St. Patrick's Campus (MDCCE), Drumcondra Road. Application now open for September 2021. Early application advised.

Contact *Pathways* Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01-8087594 or [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie) Web: [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie)

**Meals on Wheels:** Northside Home Care Services, Meals on Wheels, is a service that delivers a nutritious meal and a dessert for €5 per day, Monday to Friday, to clients in their homes. Contact Ad or Catherine on 01-8058574 for more information.

### **Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel.**

**John Byrne OSA. Email [jbyrneosa@gmail.com](mailto:jbyrneosa@gmail.com)**

- The image of a boat in a stormy sea is a symbol of life in difficult times and can represent inner turmoil, anxiety and high emotions. When you have been in such circumstances, perhaps a 'Jesus person' came to your assistance and calmed you down? Recall that person with gratitude.
- The image can also be applied to a family, a community, a parish, or any other group. Remember people who have had a gift of bringing peace to troubled situations.
- The significance of miracles in the gospels is that they show Jesus as one who brings God's power to bear on human need and suffering. Have there been times when you have been a channel for this healing power of God, holding a crying child in your arms, calming the anxiety of a friend, or being a peacemaker in a group to which you belong?

### **Marino Institute of Education**

Are you looking for food for the mind and oxygen for the soul in the company of fellow travellers? Join the Adult Education Certificate in Spirituality and Human Development Programme. It is open for applications now. For more information, please look at the webpage at: [www.mie.ie/spirituality](http://www.mie.ie/spirituality). If you are interested, please contact Mary at [mary.gao@mie.ie](mailto:mary.gao@mie.ie) or 087 450 8549.

*"Everything comes to you at the right moment. Be patient. Be grateful."*