

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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Parish Office - Monday to Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

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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://csp.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.

30TH AUGUST 2026

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME FR DOMINIK: We have been blessed with 'news of great joy'. Archbishop Farrell has seen how we have lost of late both the ministry of Fr Denis here in Castleknock and of Fr Brendan in Laurel Lodge since their retirement several months ago.

Starting this September, **Fr Dominik Domagała**, who hails originally from Poland, will be a new Curate in our Parish Partnership. He spent several years working in Bluebell parish here in Dublin with the Oblates of Mary Immaculate and has been ministering in the parish of Rosignano Solvay, near Livorno, Italy, this past year. He is 34 years old and so brings us youth and energy as well as his many gifts. Some of you may know him already from his regular writings on the Scriptures in the Irish Catholic. He will be living in Auburn Drive. Give him a warm welcome and pray in thanksgiving to the Lord for this great blessing to our partnership of parishes.

Because of Fr Dominik's arrival, we are able to reinstate the 6pm Saturday (Vigil of Sunday) Mass, beginning this coming weekend 5th September.

PARISH FAMILY FUN DAY TODAY - [WEATHER PERMITTING!]

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST - 2-5PM

Join us for a **Family Fun Day** bringing together the communities of **Laurel Lodge, Castleknock and Porterstown** on the green beside Our Lady Mother of the Church, Castleknock. Come along for an afternoon of **games, music, face painting, children's activities and lots of family fun!** Bring your own picnic and come celebrate our three parish communities together. This event is free, and everyone is welcome!

LOURDES: Our parish partnership pilgrimage with Fr Paul Ward has just returned from Our Lady's shrine and the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes travels there next Thursday morning. If you have any petitions that you would like to have brought to the Grotto, please leave them into the sacristy by next Tuesday evening (do not leave any donations in the envelopes). The Dublin Pilgrimage Grotto Mass will be live streamed at 9am (Irish time) on Friday 4th September on www.lourdes-france.com/en/lourdesplus/ We will hold a collection in aid of sending sick pilgrims to Lourdes in the coming weeks.

ARCHBISHOP FARRELL ABOUT SUMMER DUES "Please encourage and pray for your priests in their ministry, and pray, too, for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. The Summer Dues appeal contributes to the essential support of priests." [*All Dues, Christmas, Easter and Summer Dues – and our 1st Collection at Sunday Mass - go directly to the Diocesan Common Fund administered by the Diocesan Finance Secretariat.*]

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER and contemplation of the Gospel of the following Sunday. Wednesday 2nd September from 10:30 to 11am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP CONTINUES Thursday 3rd September in St Thomas the Apostle Day Chapel, 10:30am to 11:10am.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION Next Friday 4th September in our church, from 10:30am to 5pm. All are welcome. There is also our usual weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour on Thursdays, 8pm to 9pm.

BEREAVEMENT 'Saint Francis Grief Café' aims to create a safe place for people who have been bereaved to come and chat over a free cup of tea/coffee with others who are also grieving. The Grief Café will run next Friday 4th September, 10am – 11:30am in St Francis Hospice, Blanchardstown. Please contact bereavement@sfh.ie or 01 832 7535 for more details.

FIRST SATURDAY FATIMA DEVOTIONS – next Saturday 5th September in our parish church. By our prayer and devotion, and making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, may we make the whole world more open to God's gift of peace. Beginning at 9:15am with intentions, prayers and the rosary. Mass at 10am followed by 15 min scripture meditation. Cup of tea afterwards in Our Lady's Parish Centre.

ST MARY'S, CLONSILLA – GRAVEYARD SERVICE – SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER, 3PM
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.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY COLLECTION takes place after both Masses this weekend.

FAITH FORMATION GROUP – TWO NEW COURSES STARTING:

Wednesday nights in Our Lady Mother of the Church, 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) starts Wednesday 9th September at 7:30pm and continues until Wednesday 28th October (8 sessions).

Monday nights in St Mochtas, Porterstown: 'Hidden King - the Jewish Roots of St Joseph', a series of video talks by Dr Brant Pitre begins Monday 14th September at 7:30pm and continues until Monday 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 2161199 or Marian 087 2958363. Please mention which course you are interested in - you may attend both!

ST MOCHTA'S REACH THEIR TARGET. This summer, the 'mother' church of our Partnership had repairs done to the roof of the church and significant works on the removal, repair, and refurbishment of all the guttering and downpipes, reinstating the original cast iron bracket design. Due to the response to our Restoration Appeal, St. Mochta's has now reached it's target of raising €20,000 to cover the extant costs of this work. We sincerely thank everyone who has contributed. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

PPC CRY OF THE EARTH PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT NEWS: By now you will have noticed the amazingly beautiful sunflowers! It's heartening to see bees, butterflies and many flying insects feast on the blooms. Thanks so much girls and boys for sowing the 2025 harvested seeds and planting the baby plants. We are delighted you are partners with us on our Parish Pastoral Council 'Cry of the Earth' project.

We need some more parishioners to volunteer with us to plant, prune, water and weed our conservation areas to promote and nurture biodiversity. Contact Mags Condon on 086 8392518 if you'd like to become involved in this very special work - increasing bee, butterfly and insect population and enable our conservation area to thrive.

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 payments are now possible too.

PATHWAYS INTO PASTORAL MINISTRY This course is for any adult who wants to explore and grow their faith. Pathways is run on Thursday evenings at the St Patrick's campus of DCU in Drumcondra from 7:15pm to 9:15pm. The course starts on 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.

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE IN ÉRIU COMMUNITY COLLEGE, D15X4XT, ACROSS ALL YEAR GROUPS!

A limited number of secondary school places are available in Ériu Community College, D15 X4XT, across all year groups. More information about the college and application forms can be found on www.eriucc.ie Transition Year (TY) is not currently offered, but Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA) is.

ST JOSEPH MEN'S CAMINO *Every Camino changes us in ways we don't expect; every man needs one.* Join men from across Ireland on **Saturday 12th September** for a 25km pilgrimage through the Boyne Valley, beginning in Drogheda. The day includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions, fraternity, lunch and dinner, with after-dinner speaker **Fr. Mark Quinn**. Open to men aged 18+. Cost: €65 (student €55). Registration, accommodation and details: www.dominicans.ie/events. Enquiries: op.evangelisation@gmail.com.

St Mary's Cathedral

St Mary's Cathedral is closed temporarily to allow essential conservation, accessibility and renewal works as part of the next phase in its development as the Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Dublin.

During the closure period, major diocesan liturgies will take place in St Andrew's Church, Westland Row. The Palestrina Choir is based at the College Chapel on the All Hallows Campus of DCU, by kind permission of the University. Parish and sacramental life is continuing at St Joseph's Church, Berkeley Road, where the Cathedral Girls' Choir is also based. [Full details on the Diocesan website.](#)