

CHURCH SERVICES

The Eucharist

Sunday: Saturday Vigil 6 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m., 12 p.m.

Weekday: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10.00am.
Tuesdays and Thursdays 7.30pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Baptism

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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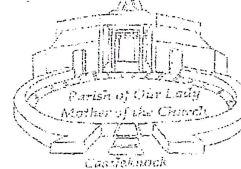
Parish Office – Monday to Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
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Our Lady's Parish Centre – Phone: 01-8209907

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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
24th October 2021

Covid-19 reopening developments:

The latest Government advice is that after 22nd October “religious services can proceed without capacity limits but with all other protective measures remaining in place.” We are taking a gradual and cautious approach to returning to full capacity as our priority is to ensure the health, safety and comfort of all those who come to our Church for Mass and private prayer.

After the 22nd October the protective measures that will be in place in our Church are:

The wearing of face coverings and masks and the use of hand sanitising gel will continue. Every second seat will be roped off and there will be social distancing of 1 metre from other individuals or family groups. Available seats will have simple markings indicating 1 metre intervals. We will continue sanitising the church and our stewards will be on hand to assist and guide Mass goers. Thank you, as ever, for your patience and understanding. Heartfelt thanks to our stewarding and sanitizing teams whose commitment makes our gathering in God's house safer and possible.

World Mission Sunday:

World Mission Sunday is Pope Francis' annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. Similar to the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land and Peter's Pence, it is one of three yearly universal Church collections, taking place in every place where the Church is present on the face of the earth. /.....

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In another age, 'mission' was understood as going abroad to countries where the Church was not yet strong, or to places where people suffered from poverty and conflict. But Pope Francis has invited us to realize that: 'I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always; every baptised man and woman is a mission.' The love of God, in which we are immersed in the sacraments, urges us to go outside ourselves and to share the love we have received. Writing this year about the Missions, our Archbishop, Dr Dermot Farrell, said:

'For ourselves, we cannot have encountered Jesus and remain concerned only with our own issues. In solidarity we must have concern for the younger, poorer churches until they are able to be self-sufficient... Addressing the Amazon Synod Pope Francis said, 'the Church is always on the move, always going out and never withdrawn into itself. Jesus did not come to bring a gentle evening breeze, but to light a fire on the earth.' World Mission Sunday presents us with an opportunity to express our gratitude for the contribution we, as Irish people, have made to the mission of the Church to spread the Gospel of Christ in different parts of the globe. We remember and give thanks for the courage, enthusiasm and generosity of so many people who have given their lives to the spread of the Gospel. The Prefect of the Congregation for the Evangelisation of Peoples, Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle, said that in Africa alone, with a population of 1.3 billion people across 54 countries, 'more than 74,000 religious sisters and over 46,000 priests are operating 7,274 hospitals and clinics, staffing 2,346 homes for the elderly and vulnerable and educating over 19 million children in 45,088 primary schools.' In many rural areas they are the only providers of healthcare and education. Although 19.4% of Africans are Catholic, the Church reaches out to all people in need across the continent, not just Church members. Likewise in Asia, a continent with a population of 4.6 billion people, of whom 3.3% are Catholic, the Church provides healthcare, charity assistance, and education to people of all faiths and none.'

This year's message: 'We Cannot Remain Silent – we cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard' (Acts 4:20) is twofold. It is a message of hope: Christ is risen and we cannot keep his love, compassion and mercy to ourselves. It also challenges us to stand up and speak out on behalf of those whose voices are too small to be heard. For them too, we cannot remain silent.

Missio Ireland is our Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. You can donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Learn more at www.missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on 01 497 2035.

Our Parish Altar List of the Dead:

"One thing only I ask you", said St Monica to her son, St Augustine, as she left this life, "that you remember me at the altar of the Lord." If you would like to include names of your departed family members, relatives and loved ones for remembrance in our Parish Altar List of the Dead for the coming year, envelopes to that effect are now available on the table at the back of the church. Maybe you can also drop one into housebound neighbours and friends who would like to have their family members included too. Mass on the first Friday of every month is offered for the eternal rest in God of those on our Parish Altar List of the Dead.

Fr Damian McNeice

Scoil Oilibhéir Enrolment:

Enrolment for Junior Infants will be open from **this Monday 18 October** until Friday 5 November. All details are available at www.gaelscoiloilibheir.ie

Scoil Mhuire Mount Sackville Enrolment:

Application for enrolment for Junior Infants September 22 is now open. Details at www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.ie

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: 5th – 7th November 2021

Catholic Marriage Encounter: Restore Communication, Renew Commitment and Rekindle Romance. This is an online experience using Zoom that starts on Friday evening at 8pm and ends on Sunday afternoon at 2:30pm. For details and booking visit: www.marriageencounter.ie

Parish Centre Activities:

- Phoenix Martial Arts Starting Back Tuesday 2nd of November
- Bricks 4 Kidz Lego Afterschool Classes every Monday from 1 November