

CHURCH SERVICES

THE EUCHARIST

Sunday: Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 10.00am and 12.00 noon
Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10.00am
Tuesday, Thursday 7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: After 10.00am and before 6.00pm Mass on Saturdays and on request.

Baptism: Normally on 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 1.00pm. Enquiries to the parish office.

Marriage: By arrangement with one of the Priests.

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

Fr. Damian McNeice – Phone: 089 445 3987

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

Phone: 01-6409601 Email: parishoffice@castleknockparish.ie

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.

Please take home a copy of this Newsletter.

THE DONATE BUTTON ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE

This button, which can be found on the website homepage, is a convenient online way to donate to our parish or to contribute to Dues. You can also contribute to the usual weekend 1st and/or 2nd collections, towards our parish running costs, as well as our Third World Partnership (TWP) project.



OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PARISHES OF
ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, LAUREL LODGE
AND ST MOCHTA'S PORTERSTOWN.

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13TH OCTOBER 2024

MISSION SUNDAY 2024 - 20TH OCTOBER. Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. Donations collected at these worldwide Masses go, in their entirety, to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. This year's theme comes to us from the Gospel of Matthew, God's desire that we "Go and invite everyone to the banquet." (Matthew 22:9)

POWERFUL MOMENT OF PRAYER (1) Our parish hosted two beautiful prayer events this past week which were quite different in style but both resulted in peace of heart. On Monday we had our Rosary for Peace, at the request of Pope Francis and organised by our Catholic Grandparent's Association. Our sincere thanks to our Rosary leaders who took us through the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries as we prayed on 7th October, the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, and, very poignantly, on the first anniversary of the dreadful attacks in the Holy Land which has resulted in an appalling war which now threatens to escalate across the wider region. We prayed for peace and discovered that peace of God seeping into our hearts.

Powerful Moment of Prayer (2) On Friday, we had the Together 2024 Ecumenical Evening Prayer, using the meditative chants of the monastic community of Taizé, praying around the same time that Pope Francis and the participants in the Synod in Rome in Protomartyrs Square beside St Peter's Basilica were having a similar prayer. Young Christians from our local schools led the litany and intercessions, Rev Natasha Quinn Thomas from St Brigid's Church of Ireland, proclaimed the Gospel and everyone sang led by members from our Family Mass and Folk Groups, followed by lovely hospitality in the Coffee Dock in the Parish centre which was much appreciated by the many visitors who had travelled to be there. Br Roger

of Taizé wrote: "In prayer, God prepares our hearts to be bearers of his peace and joy." That, again, was our experience.

FR DENIS. Thank you for your continued prayer for our Fr Denis who is currently convalescing with the Redemptorist Community in Dundalk. We look forward to his return to being among us in coming weeks.

SYCAMORE. A new programme of videos and discussion on our Christian faith, based on the Scriptures and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, asking the big questions of life: *The existence of God, Who is Jesus, The Bible*. The presenter is Fr. Stephen Wang, esteemed speaker and author. This course is held each Monday at 7.30pm in St Mochta's parish centre, in union with our parish partnership of St Mochta's, St Thomas the Apostle and OLMC. Please join us, starting with refreshments at 7.30pm.

ETERNAL REST. Please pray for the soul of our parishioner Peter Dargan whose funeral took place in our parish on Saturday. May the Holy Spirit console and sustain his family and all who mourn.

LECTIO DIVINA ON WEDNESDAYS, 10.30 TO 11AM Spiritual reading, prayer and contemplation of the Gospel for the following Sunday. Wednesday 16th October from 10.30 to 11.00am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock.

CHILDREN'S ROSARY. ON SATURDAYS AT 4.00PM. The children's rosary is recited every Saturday in our church at 4pm. Looking forward to seeing our young children joining us. All are welcome!

DIVINE MERCY. Our Divine Mercy group meets weekly on Tuesdays in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock from 6.30 to 7.30pm. All are welcome.

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH GOLF CLASSIC Friday next the 18th Oct is shaping up to be a great day for the Golf Classic in Luttrellstown. We have had a great response and are looking forward to a fun day and an enjoyable social get-together at dinner. There are a limited number of places if you would like to enter a team. There are a limited number of places if you wish to attend the dinner only. Sponsorship for tee boxes and donations would be very welcome as this is our main fundraising event for St Mochta's Parish this year. Enquiries to June, the Parish Secretary: secretary@stmochtasparish.ie (01) 821 3218

TAKE NOTE! SCOIL MHIURE NATIONAL SCHOOL, MOUNT SACKVILLE. Applications for Junior Infants 2025-2026 will be accepted from this Monday, 14th October. As we are now officially a co-educational school, we are delighted to welcome both boys and girls to our incoming infant classes next year. We have spaces available in some other classes for Admission in September 2025. Please see <https://scoilmhuiremountsackville.ie/enrolments/> for details or call our school office on 8213105.

FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS FOR AFRICA (FMSA). The sisters wish to thank you for your time listening to them and your great generosity last weekend - it is very much appreciated.

CROÍ MHÁIRE FOODBANK. The collection of non-perishable food items such as pasta, pasta sauce, cereals, tin foods, etc., for the Croí Mháire Foodbank will take place on the weekends of 19th/20th and 26th/27th of October. As usual, a collection basket will be placed in the entrance hall of the church should you wish to donate. All collected food will be distributed to needy families in Dublin 15. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated. Martin (086 1591188)

ST BERNADETTE – RELIC PILGRIMAGE In October, the relics of St Bernadette will visit two more churches in Dublin: Mary Immaculate, Inchicore, Wed 23rd - Thu 24th Oct, and Adam & Eve's, Merchants Quay, Fri 25th - Sat 26th Oct. For more information on all the ceremonies, visit www.stbernadette.ie.

CASTLEKNOCK ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION /CARA. **MEMBERSHIP IS FULL.** A new association is needed in the area. Any individual or group interested in forming such a Group should contact Our Lady's Parish Centre, Castleknock on 01 8209907.

CASTLEKNOCK TIDY TOWNS – Table Quiz. ***** Please note Change of Date ***** Wednesday 6th November, 8pm, Myos, Castleknock Village, €50 for a table of 4. Text James on 087 225 3572 to book/pay for a table in advance.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Our local Conference of St Vincent de Paul is in great need of volunteers. Please contact Mary on 086 821 2979.

SCOIL OILIBHÉIR – GAELSCOIL, COOLMINE, OPEN NIGHT – NEXT WED 16th OCTOBER, 7-8PM (under the patronage of the Archdiocese of Dublin). An opportunity for families, who are considering applying for a place in Scoil Oilibhéir for their children for next year, to come in to see the school, meet staff and experience the school community and culture.

SCOIL BHRÍDE, BLANCHARDSTOWN, OPEN EVENINGS. There will be an Open Evening in Scoil Bhríde Cailíní next Tuesday 15th October from 6.30-7.30pm. Come to see our school, and meet our staff and pupils! All welcome.

VACANCY - PASTORAL COORDINATOR St Brigid's Parish Blanchardstown is seeking to hire a part-time (20 hrs/wk) Pastoral Coordinator. The primary focus is on sacramental preparation with the schools, but the role can include all aspects of faith development in the parish, be it for children, youth or adults. If you are interested, or are aware of anyone else who might be, please get in contact with Jean in the office who can give you the full job specifications : 01-8115412.