

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th/10th August 2025

Services during the Week

Saggart: Mass: Sunday 9am. Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11am. **Adoration:** Sat/Sun 4 - 7pm

Rathcoole: Mass: Sat 6pm, Sun 12pm. Tuesday & Thursday 10am.

Adoration: Sun 4 – 6pm, Tue 10.30 – 1 & 3 – 5pm

Newcastle: Mass: Sunday 10am. Monday & Friday 10am. **Adoration:** Sat 3 – 6pm

Confession: Any time by request. (*Generally after Mass*)

Feast of the Assumption 15th August 2025

Friday is the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the feast: **Rathcoole 7pm Vigil Thursday, Newcastle 10am Friday & Saggart 11am Friday.**

Funeral of Peter Greaney

Funeral Mass Monday 11th in Saggart at 11am.

As a mark of respect the proposed Brittas Tractor Run has been postponed until Saturday 24th Aug.

Pockets of Hope – Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage Season

The Dublin diocesan Pilgrim season continues until August 15th. **“Pray, Reflect & Hope”**

Pilgrim Route: St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, City Quay. Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott St. St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough St.

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes – September 2025

You can support the Dublin Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in September by becoming an Associate Member. Your donations help to send sick pilgrims to Our Lady's Shrine at Lourdes. Names of donors are placed at the Grotto and are included in all Masses and ceremonies celebrated during the pilgrimage which takes place from the 4th to 9th September. People can donate during July & August after any Mass.

Day of Prayer and Reflection for Gaza – 24th August

I invite all parishes in the Archdiocese to dedicate Sunday 24th August as a special day of prayer and reflection for Gaza and for a renewed commitment by the international community for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East. This appeal, which I am making in conjunction with Archbishop Eamon Martin of Armagh, unites us in prayer before God, crying out for an end to all the terror and violence being perpetrated with tragic results for all.

May we all be a sign, by our prayer and action, that a different world is possible, and that a route to peace and reconciliation can and must be found through dialogue.

+Dermot Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin

Knock National Novena to Our Lady of Knock 13 - 21 August 2025

The theme this year is “Pilgrims of Hope” as we continue to celebrate this Jubilee year. You can attend **in-person or online at www.knockshrine.ie**. There is a great variety of speakers at two masses each day which take place at 3pm and 8pm. It's an opportunity to renew our faith and to hear from women and men with different perspectives on our church and the role faith plays in our society. Speakers include Former RTE newsreader Eileen Dunne; Bishop Kevin Doran of Elphin and Achonry; Prison chaplain Ita Lohan; and Claire Kilroy, CEO of Association of Patrons and Trustees of Catholic Schools.

See notice boards for more details plus www.knockshrine.ie for comprehensive details of the novena.

Rathcoole Community Centre - Concert

Dominic McGorian will be in concert on Thursday 14th August at 8pm in the community centre. For more details see notice board in church.

Camogie All Ireland Final

Today, Sunday has a big line out for the Ladies Camogie All Ireland Final. **Cork V Galway 5.15pm** with Intermediate final between Offaly & Kerry at 3pm and the Junior final between Armagh & Laoise at 1pm. All in Croke Park.

Pope's Intentions for August 2025

That societies avoid internal conflicts due to ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons” and encouraging us to “seek paths of dialogue” and “respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity.”

Priory Institute (Tallaght)

Hope – for our Pilgrim Journey: The Priory Institute two-week online Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from 11th August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and two online Zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register at <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2025-online-summer-school:-hope-for-our-pilgrim-journey>.

Pathways – Exploring Faith & Ministry

This two year course is aimed at adults of all ages looking to explore and grow in their faith through inputs and small group sharing. Especially suitable for members of PPC or willing members of Parish Pastoral Councils. Takes place in DCU/St. Pat's, Drumcondra Road Upper on Thursdays from 7.15 – 9.15pm beginning 21st September until 14th May 2026. For more details visit www.missionministry.ie/pathways or contact peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie. This course can be part funded by the parish.

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Dublin Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place from September 4 to September 9, led by Archbishop Farrell: We are still accepting applications to travel with our Assisted Pilgrim Section. Please request an Assisted Pilgrim Application Form and/or further information from the Parish Office or contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office on 018087555 or info@lourdes.dublindiocese.ie. To travel as a hotel pilgrim please contact Joe Walsh Tours at 012410800 for further information.

Associate Membership Appeal: Become an Associate Member of this year's Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. It now costs approximately €1,200 to bring a sick or assisted pilgrim to Lourdes. We request a payment of €600 from each pilgrim but only if they can afford it. Nobody is ever refused for inability to pay. This is why the Associate Appeal is vital to ensure the continuation of the Dublin Pilgrimage's service to the sick. Please contribute through your parish collection/office or donate via our Payzone link, <https://platform.payzone.ie/customer/10016/product-list/details/4010/>.

Ordination of Two Deacons

On Saturday, July 19th, Archbishop Dermot Farrell ordained Arcadiusz Lenkiewicz and John Gormley to the diaconate in St Mary's Church, Lucan.

Vocations to Diocesan Priesthood

Please keep our seminarians and those discerning a vocation to priesthood in your prayers. If you know of anyone interested in finding out more about becoming a priest, please ask them to contact the Vocations team, Fr Séamus or Fr Bill, at vocations@dublindiocese.ie or bill.oshaughnessy@dublindiocese.ie.

Spring Synod Gatherings

In March 2025, synod gatherings took place across the 5 pastoral areas of the Archdiocese, along with a 6th youth synod gathering. Clergy, chairs of Pastoral Councils, Parish Synod Animators, and pastoral staff were invited, with around 300 people from the Diocese present at the gatherings. The National Synod Team provided 17 topics for discussion that had emerged from the first synod gatherings in 2022. The aim of the spring gatherings was to prioritise the topics that should be a focus from the Pre-National Synod gatherings, beginning in October 2025. The 'Conversations in the Spirit' method was used to discern on 3 aspects: what the 3 priorities are out of the list of 17 topics? where there were noticeable differences? and what are the priorities that the Holy Spirit is prompting us to recommend to the Pre-Synodal Assembly in October 2025?

The Dublin Diocesan Report and Top 10 Takeaways can be found at <https://dublindiocese.ie/synod2025/>.