

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th/21st September 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*)

Recently Deceased

In your prayers remember Pat Browne Tallaght, Fred Kavanagh Newcastle, Joe Trant Newcastle & Gerry Higgins Tallaght, Also Noel Whelan Ballyfermot.

Month's Mind: Newcastle Dolores Coughlan. May they Rest In Peace.

Crosscare Collection (This Weekend 20/21 Sept)

This weekend, **Crosscare is asking for your generous support** for our annual appeal as growing instability in our world continues to impact the people in our communities who are marginalised and need our support. The collection takes place this weekend Saturday 20th/Sunday 21st September and replaces the usual Share collection. Parishioners who may not be able to contribute on these dates can support our appeal online at www.crosscare.ie or use the links in our posters and printed materials to donate..

Conor Hickey CEO Crosscare wrote and reminds us, "...Challenges remain real and urgent — a deepening housing crisis, the cost of living, migration pressures, and growing food insecurity. Thousands of people turn to Crosscare for support — for a place to stay, someone to talk to, a path back to education, a hot meal, or simply to be seen and valued. That could be a young person linked to our youth services, a care leaver stepping out into independence, or a family navigating a housing system that feels overwhelming and forces them to remain in our emergency accommodations for far too long. The generosity of the parishioners in the Archdiocese of Dublin each year allows us in Crosscare the agility to respond to new and emerging needs and the emergency needs of those in our society who find themselves with nowhere else to turn."

Season of Creation: Sept 1 – Oct 4 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Seeds of Peace & Hope

A service of prayer, music and reflection. The Dublin Diocesan Music Group and guests will lead this celebration. Takes place on Monday, 29th September, 8pm, at the Monastery of St Alphonsus, Drumcondra. You can also join online at www.rednuns.com/webcam

Lecture with Cardinal Grech

Public lecture to celebrate the centenary (1925-2025) of the birth of Austin Flannery OP. *From Vatican Council II to a Synodal Church* by Cardinal Mario Grech, Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops. St Mary's, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24, Thursday, September 25, at 7.30pm. Admission free.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

For those attending non parish schools but wishing their children to celebrate First Penance/Eucharist and/or Confirmation a special course will be organised by the parish team. This runs in line with the school term. For more details contact the parish office or in any of the sacristies.

Rathcoole Choir Appeal

The Saturday evening choir has returned after the Summer break. Practice every Thursday morning after 10 Mass. New members are welcome. Simply turn up on Thursday or leave your name in the sacristy.

Saggart Choir Appeal

Practice takes place on Monday evenings at 7.30pm. New members are especially welcome.

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. First year programme takes place in DCU/St. Pat's, Drumcondra Road Upper on Thursdays from 7.15 – 9.15pm begins this Thursday 25th September and continues until 14th May 2026. For more details visit www.missionministry.ie/pathways or contact peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie.

R.A.M.S. in Rhythm

Newcastle is blessed to have a number of retired men who have made up a musical group that has supported many different charities over the past 10 years since its founding. They are putting out an invite to retired men to join them. **Retired Active Men's Social** also meet regularly in Newcastle community centre. Drop in any Thursday morning or any day to find out more about other activities that might suit men who are recently retired. Membership includes men from not only Newcastle but also Rathcoole, Saggart & also Lucan, Clondalkin and Tallaght.

Eucharistic Adoration

As the evenings lengthen we are appealing for more volunteers to help with the adoration. This is a wonderful gift to the parish and we need to keep things going. We appeal to you in each of the three churches to keep up the effort and invite another person or two to commit to an hour each week.

Vocations

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.

Dublin Diocesan Pastoral Council

The first meeting of the newly established **Dublin Diocesan Pastoral Council** took place last Thursday in St Paul's, Arran Quay. The council elected Geraldine Tallon as its chairperson and Orla McCarthy as its secretary. The meeting heard presentations on: 1. Synodality; 2. Building Hope; and 3. Deanery Conferences. It meets again in November.

Sharing Good News

Sharing Good News is the newsletter of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. If you would like to receive this weekly ezine, you can do so at <https://catholicnews.ie/newsletter/>. You are encouraged to invite others to do so too.

French Language Mass

Mass for the French-speaking Catholic community in Dublin continues on **Sunday, 28th September**, at 12.30pm in St Mary's Church, Haddington Road. Takes place on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 12.30pm from September to June.

Italian Mass & other activities

Italian Catholic Community Dublin. Masses in Aughrim Street Church every Saturday at 5.30pm (fourth Sunday of the month followed by community gathering). Other activities: Biblical Catechesis (online); Pre-marriage Catechesis: Rosary (online); Book Club (online). Facebook: <https://facebook.com/italiani.cattolici.a.dublino/>. Contact: Fr Coriolan Muresan. cattolici.dublin@gmail.com / coryolan26@yahoo.it / 012447995.

Cistercian Vocations

Do you feel called to seek God in prayer and contemplation, monastic work and community life? The Cistercian community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn invites single women aged 19–40 to our upcoming Monastic Vocations Weekend, October 24 to 27. Contact our Vocation Director, Sister Mairéad, at vocations@glencairnabbey.org.

Towards a Horizon of Hope with Martina Lehane Sheehan Fri 10th – Tue 14th Oct

Through input, meditation, scripture, poetry, music, etc we will journey into the theme of rekindling hope and healing. Together we will find ways to 'rise again' from life's setbacks and challenges. Cost €255 residential; €140 non-residential. 014048189 or email dominicanretreats@gmail.com

Manresa Retreats

Course: Working with Dreams. Tuesdays, 7 October - 2 December 2025 (8-week course; except Tue, 28 Oct). Would you like to be able to interpret your own dreams? Dream interpretation opens the path to healing, wholeness and creativity. Explore dreams in scripture, learn the symbolic language of dreams and discover the deeper meaning of your life with this eight-week course, led by Paddy Greene SJ and Anne Hession.

Oasis Day. Saturday, 18 October 2025; Saturday, 15 November 2025. Take time to pause with an Oasis Day - a gentle, one-day retreat of reflection and guided prayer, offering quiet space for prayer, rest, and renewal.

Visit www.manresa.ie for more details.