

Christ the King (34th Sun)

22nd/23rd November 2025

Services during the Week

Saggart: **Mass:** Sunday 9am. Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11am. **Adoration:** Sat/Sun 2 - 5pm

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

Adoration: Sun 4 – 6pm, Tue 10.30 – 1 & 3 – 5pm; Fri 9 – 12 & 3 – 7pm

Newcastle: **Mass:** Sun 10am. Mon & Fri 10am. **Adoration:** Sat 3 – 6pm;

Confession: Available by request, generally after any Mass.

Baptisms/Marriages: Contact Parish Office for details. (0860108420 Tue – Thur 10 – 12.30approx)

November Remembrance Mass

Well done to all who attended and organised the annual Mass in Rathcoole church on Friday night. A fitting remembrance Mass for those who died during the past year from Saggart, Rathcoole & Brittas parish.

November Altar Lists of the Dead

Envelopes for the November Altar lists of the dead are available at all exits to the church. These can be returned before the end of November and those names will be included at our First Friday Mass held monthly in each church.

Newcastle Folk Group Christmas invite

St. Finian's Folk Group invites you to join us singing at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass. If you would like to sing with us please come to our practices on Tuesday evenings, at 8pm – 9pm starting on Tuesday, November 25th. We hold our practices in St. Finian's school. For more information contact Emer on 0872733846.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection

The diocesan collection for the Dublin Council of the Society of St Vincent de Paul will take place **on the weekend of Sunday, December 7**. There will be no monthly collection this month.

Newcastle Christmas Lights 2025

30th of November @ 5pm in SuperValu Newcastle Carpark. Looking forward to seeing everyone there .

Saggart Christmas Fair

Saturday 29th of November 12 til 4pm in Church carpark, the Village Square and the Schoolhouse Community Centre. Looking forward to seeing you there .

Brittas Community Christmas Fair

Takes place on Saturday 29 Nov 1pm til 4, followed by Lighting of Christmas tree and a visit from Santa.

Primary School Survey (open until 16 Dec 2025) Department of Education

The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. The survey is school specific and **needs to be responded to by all parents and prospective parents locally**.

It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic education for their children, and the support for sacramental preparation available in Catholic schools, would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, **please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parent of a primary school student**.

The survey can be accessed at www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey/. It closes on Tuesday, December 16.

University Church

Our Annual Newman Lecture is on Wednesday, November 26, at 6pm in Newman University Church (St Stephen's Green.) The lecture is called "The Life of Wisdom: Mary, Doctrinal Development, and the Doctors of the Church." Admission is free and all are welcome.

Diocesan Liturgy Office

The diocesan annual **Advent Service** will be held at the Monastery of St Alphonsus at 4pm on Saturday, November 29th, and can also be watched online at www.rednuns.com

Rathcoole Web Cam fund

A sincere thanks to those who have contributed towards the support of the web cam in Rathcoole. Envelopes are available for those who wish to contribute. Your support is greatly appreciated.

St. Mary's Cathedral Bicentenary

“It is with great joy that I am pleased to announce that the Holy Father, Pope Leo, has consented to my request and has approved by decree that St Mary's be designated as the Cathedral Church of our Archdiocese. It is appropriate that this announcement should be made in the context of our celebration of the exemplary service which St Mary's has given to our diocese over 200 years, but also at a time when we are renewing our focus on our mission as a diocesan family, Building Hope and Proclaiming Good News, affirming the faith of our people, and reaching out to the city and beyond.” Part of Archbishop's homily last weekend marking this great event for the diocese.

Advent Procession – Darkness into Light

Ceremony takes place in St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 30 November at 7.30pm. Advent Carols & Readings with a torchlight procession. Music performed by the “St. Mary's Cathedral Girl's choir” and ‘gentlemen of the Palestrina Choir’. All are welcome.

Consecrated Life

For Young Women (18-40yrs) who are discerning a Vocation to Religious/Consecrated Life, monthly meetings are held in Charleville Retreat Centre, Cork. The day includes prayer, talks, Holy Mass, Adoration and a chance to meet and chat with religious sisters of different communities. If you are interested in attending please email womendiscern@corkandross.org.

Priory Institute

We are delighted to offer a Free of Charge Online Advent Retreat featuring a series of online reflections given by Fr John Harris OP with reference to the four Advent Sunday gospel readings, it consists of a weekly reflection (approximately 15 minutes). The course consists of four 15-minute recorded presentations that will become available from the first Sunday of Advent and each subsequent Sunday. So on Sunday, November 30, there will be access to one recording and on the following Sunday access to two recordings and so on. Participants can watch the films whenever suits them, and revisit films they have already viewed. It's free of charge and people can register to participate at any time during Advent. You can view Fr John Harris's welcome at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=awPULbxRS2g/>. Visit <https://prioryinstitute.com/>.

Dominican Retreat Centre (Priory, Tallaght)

Retreat Day: “Give us today our daily bread”. Meditating on the Sunday Gospel with Fr Joe Ralph O.P. Sunday 30th November 10am – 4pm. Booking Essential: Email: lectiominion@gmail.com or 014048189.

Taize Prayer around the Cross. Calling all young people (18-35) who seek to deepen their relationship with God and with one another. First Thursday of each month @ 7.30pm.

Youth 2000

Youth 2000 Ireland is having its annual Christmas retreat in Dominican College, Newbridge, Co Kildare, on the 12th-14th of December for ages 16-35. This promises to be a special retreat. Excellent speakers, inspiring talks & workshops, fantastic music, group activities, good food, Adoration with Reconciliation & Healing service and prayer. There is plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young and Catholic today. This retreat is donation only and there will be free buses arriving from all over the country. To find out more information and to register please visit our website at youth2000.ie or contact us at office@youth2000.ie.

St. Therese Talk – Mount Merrion

This centenary year of the Little Flower's canonisation, you are invited to a talk, *St Therese & the Holy Face of Jesus, a love story for our time*, Community Centre, Mount Merrion, beside Church of St Therese, next Friday, November 28, at 7.30pm.

Young Adult Ministry

You, or someone you know, may be interested in supporting the youth of the diocese and in our own area and wondering how to support them in their faith journey. Dublin diocese is providing some formation through the **Diocesan Certificate in Young Adult Ministry**. Running over six Saturdays, the aim of this Diocesan Certificate is to build up the capacity of Youth Ministry and Youth Ministry Leadership throughout the Archdiocese of Dublin. It is a highly practical course where participants are given new experiences and key resources, including gaining vital skills to put into practice in their local context, while also being grounded in key church documents such as *Christus Vivit*. For more information and to send on any queries, please contact natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie. An information session will be announced for November. Registration is open and can be accessed here: <https://forms.office.com/e/Et8sXCxNtC>

Aware – Support & Self Carer Groups

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit www.aware.ie.

Support for Birth Mothers

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of Tusla at 0818 445500.

Bethany Bereavement Support

Bethany Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary community and parish-based service. Our objective is to support the bereaved through the grieving process and our services are totally free of charge and confidential within the law. The name Bethany is derived from the story of Jesus' friends Martha & Mary who lived in a village called Bethany and grieved over the death of their brother Lazarus. Visit <https://bethany.ie/>.

Weekly Ezine

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. Send articles and photographs for use in *Sharing Good News* to info@catholicbishops.ie.

Ukrainian Catholic Chaplaincy

Fr Vasyl Kornitsky is Chaplain to the Ukrainian community and curate in Donnycarney Parish. He can be contacted at 086 2359561 or ugccie@gmail.com. Ukrainian Mass (Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom, Byzantine rite) is held every Sunday at 1pm in Our Lady of Consolation Church, Donnycarney.

French Language Mass

Mass for the French-speaking Catholic community in Dublin resumed on Sunday, September 14, at 12.30pm in St Mary's Church, Haddington Road and continues on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 12.30pm from September to June.

Italian Community

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.

Towards Peace

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support for anybody who has been abused, physically emotionally, sexually, spiritually, in a religious/church environment. Towards Peace was established in October 2014 by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference and the Association of Leaders of Missionary & Religious Leaders of Ireland. (AMRI). The Towards Peace office hours are Monday and Tuesday 9am to 4pm and Wednesday 9am to 12noon. For further information phone 01 5053028 or 086 7710533 or visit www.towardspeace.ie or <https://www.facebook.com/TowardsPeaceSpiritualSupportService/>