

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th/28th June 2026

Services during the Week

Saggart: **Mass:** Sunday 9am, Tue, Wed & Fri 11am. **Adoration:** Sat/Sun 4 - 7pm

Rathcoole: **Mass:** Sat 6pm, Sun 12pm, Tue & Thur 10am.

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

Newcastle: **Mass:** Sun 10am. Mon & Fri 10am; **Adoration:** Sat 3 – 5pm.

Confession: Available by request, generally after any Mass.

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

Recently Deceased

Our sympathies to the family of Christian O Connor, Newcastle (Funeral Monday 10am); Michael Reilly, Rathcoole. May they rest in peace.

Peter's Pence Collection

The Peter's Pence collection takes place this weekend of 27th/28th June. Donating to Peter's Pence is a concrete gesture of communion with the Holy Father and closeness to his mission of proclaiming the Gospel and bringing hope and love to every part of the world. This will replace the second collection next weekend.

St Vincent de Paul

Because of the special collection, the St Vincent de Paul collection will be postponed until next weekend.

Saggart Cemetery Sunday (Sunday 28th June)

Blessing after 9am Mass on Sunday 28th. Please note that **St. Mary's school carpark** will be available only until 11.30am after which it will be locked. After 9am Mass the graves will be blessed with holy water, rosary will be recited and some prayers of blessing will be prayed. Recently we were privileged to have the Corpus Christi procession through the cemetery and a special blessing with the Blessed Sacrament took place then.

Other Cemetery Mass/Blessings during Summer

Deansgrange Cemetery Mass & blessing of the graves on Sunday, July 5, at 3pm.

Templeogue - 11th July at 3pm; **Newlands Cross** Cemetery - 3 PM, July 12; **Esker** - 30th August at 3pm.

Bingo night for Peamount hospital

Well done to all who supported Friday night's bingo session in St. Mary's in aid of Peamount Healthcare Charity Bingo. By all accounts a good evening was had by all.

Rosminian Mission Appeal

Thanks to those who have donated used mobile phones and spectacles. These will be passed on during the week to Fr Willy. He is delighted with the fantastic response by the people of Saggart, Rathcoole and Newcastle.

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Sept 3rd – 8th 2026

The diocesan pilgrimage takes place this year in September. **Ways that we can take part:** Assisted Pilgrims – Names can be submitted for pilgrims that may need assistance in Lourdes. Many of these stay in the 'Accueil Notre Dame' which has many of the facilities of a modern hospital; Becoming an 'Associate Member' – Each church organises differently in supporting pilgrims to Lourdes and being enrolled as members. These will be included in the Mass intentions during the week. The donations received help part-fund the assisted pilgrims.

The Priory – Tallaght

The Priory Institute one-week online Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from August 10. The course includes four recorded presentations and one online zoom discussion and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register at www.prioryinstitute.com.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Sunday, 26th July beginning 2.30 with anointing of the sick. Honouring Grandparents & the Elderly. Visit www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org for more details. All are welcome.

Féileacáin Summer Service

Féileacáin is a not-for-profit organisation that provides support to anyone affected by the death of a baby during or after pregnancy. Each year, we hold our Summer Service in St Mary of the Angels Church, Church Street. This service is open to anyone affected by the loss of a baby, including families whose bereavement happened many years ago. This year, the Féileacáin Summer Service will take place on Saturday, July 18, at 3pm.

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.

Volunteers Needed

New members are needed for our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee. If you feel that you may have an interest in shaping the parish of the future please leave contact details to the parish office and you will be contacted with more information shortly.

We are always looking for new Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar servers, Choir members, Stewards, Church Cleaners, Eucharistic Adoration and also people to help out with Funeral Ministry and Baptism Teams. Training, if needed, will be provided. Please leave name and contact details in your local church sacristy.

Pathways into Pastoral Ministry

This course is for any adult who wants to explore and grow their faith. Over a year, participants are offered inputs on foundational issues of faith and the impact they have on ministry and parish life. There is also time for small group sharing and the opportunity for three different retreat experiences. On completion of the course, people are presented with a certificate.

Pathways is run on a Thursday evening (during term times) at the St Patrick's campus of DCU in Drumcondra from 7.15pm to 9.15pm. The course starts on September 24th and runs until May 13th, and costs €300.

For further details, please visit the adult faith section of www.dublindiocese.ie/missionministry or contact peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie.

Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis

This 8-session course, run in St Paul's Arran Quay, is for current members of a Parish Sacramental Preparation Team or anyone who might be considering this important ministry. The course is divided into 4 foundation modules and 4 modules that explore Catechesis in practice. The course costs €200. Those who successfully complete the course will receive a certificate. For more information, and to apply for a place, please contact patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie.

Glendalough Pilgrimage Walks

At the Glendalough Hermitage Centre we are delighted to offer parish groups from all localities a pilgrim experience in the valley of Glendalough, visiting the sacred sites associated with the 6th Century Saint Kevin and the monastic settlement which flourished through the Early Christian period in Ireland. Our project was initiated in the Jubilee Year 2000 by the Archdiocese of Dublin at the beginning of the third millennium, with the purpose of 'restoring Glendalough as a place of pilgrimage'. During the Jubilee Year 2025 many 'Pilgrims of Hope' experienced a life-giving day walking in the Valley of the Seven Churches. For 2026 we continue to extend this invitation to all new and returning parish groups seeking to experience a day of retreat, reflection and renewal in the beautiful Glendalough valley. For details and bookings contact 0879356696 or failte@glendaloughhermitage.ie. Visit www.glendaloughhermitage.ie.

Bishops' Summer Statement

Members of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference gathered last week at St Patrick's College, Maynooth, for their Summer 2026 General Meeting. Archbishop Farrell is the Vice-President of the Conference. Issues discussed during the meeting included:

- Civil unrest in Belfast
- Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical letter, Magnifica Humanitas, on humanity in the AI era
- Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church
- 'Day for Life' 2026 message: The Wonder of the Child in the Womb
- Department of Education and Youth's Primary Schools Survey
- Synodality: in Ireland and Universally
- New EU Envoy for FoRB outside the EU, and persecution of Christians in Nigeria
- Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union
- Trócaire: Ebola outbreak in DR Congo
- TheWay.ie, progress on new unified digital platform to share the Good News
- Supporting international priests ministering in Ireland
- Maynooth Union annual celebration of milestone anniversaries of ordination classes

[The full statement is available here](#)