

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th/12th July 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 Bernadette Jordan Lisheen NH, and Vera Lonergan, Rathcoole., (Funeral Tuesday 10am) May they rest in peace.

Cemetery Mass/Blessings during Summer

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

Rathcoole Church Carpark Street lights

South Dublin County Council have informed us that they will install 2 new lampposts in the area around the church. This should help with the lighting especially in the darker months. Work is due to begin on Tuesday.

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 helps part-fund the assisted pilgrims.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

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

Knock Shrine – Basilica 50 Years

Knock Shrine will mark the 50th anniversary of the Basilica of Our Lady, Queen of Ireland with a special Jubilee celebration on Saturday 18th July, bringing together pilgrims, visitors and the local community for a day of prayer, reflection, storytelling and thanksgiving.

The day's programme begins with exclusive guided tours of the Basilica at 10.00am, 10.30am and 1.00pm, offering visitors an insight into its history, architecture and significance. A commemorative gathering in Saint John's Centre will feature a screening of *An Acre of Shelter*, followed by *Faith and Foundations*, a conversation between Father Richard Gibbons and broadcaster Tommy Marren. An open forum and Q&A will invite participants to share memories and reflect on the Basilica's place in the life of Knock and the Church in Ireland. The celebration continues with the Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm, followed by a Mass of Thanksgiving at 3.00pm in the Basilica.

All are welcome to attend this special Jubilee celebration. See www.knockshrine.ie for more.

Special Mass ahead of Parables Tour

Bishop Fintan Gavin, Chair of the Council for Evangelisation, Catechetics and Pastoral Renewal of the Irish Bishops' Conference, has extended a warm invitation to people across Ireland to gather for a special celebration of Mass ahead of The Parables Tour with Father Mike Schmitz in Dublin.

The Mass will take place at St Kevin's Church, Harrington Street, at 5.00pm on Monday, 20 July, offering an opportunity to prepare spiritually before the evening event at the National Stadium. See www.theway.ie for more details about this event.

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.

Merchant's Quay Bookshop

St Paul's Books and Gifts, Ireland's leading Catholic publisher and retailer of religious books, gifts, educational materials and parish resources, is now open at 4 Merchants Quay, Dublin 8. Email dublin@stpauls.ie or call 0892793978.

Seeds of Hope, Hints of Resurrection – Dominican Retreat Centre

19-25th July with Jessie Rogers. Visit <https://domrc.ie/> for more details.

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.

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.

Féileacháin 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.

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/>.

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.

Magnificia Humanitas – Pope Leo's Encyclical

Resources aimed at facilitating the understanding of and an in-depth analysis of Pope Leo's encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas* have been prepared by the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. Visit humandevelopment.va to access this Pastoral Kit.