

**THE PARISH OFFICE** Due to COVID-19 restrictions the Parish Office is not open to the public. If you have a query email secretary@stmochtasparrish.ie and she will get back to you as soon as she can. Take care and stay safe. Thank You.



**NEW CHRISTIANS:** We welcome Erin, Julia, Eve, Annie, Saoirse, Ollie, Harry and Alexandra who join our community through the waters of baptism this weekend. We pray that they may continue to grow strong in body, mind and spirit in the years ahead. Anyone enquiring about baptism, please see Mary Greene or Deacon Tim at the 10.30am or 12 noon mass. Thank you.

**MASS SCHEDULE DUBLIN 15**

(November 2021 until further notice)

**PORTERSTOWN PARISH**

**St. Mochta's**  
Monday - Friday 10.00am  
Sunday 10.30am, 12.00 noon  
Vigil Mass – Saturday 6.00pm

**CASTLEKNOCK PARISH**

**Our Lady Mother of the Church**  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 10.00am  
Tuesday, Thursday 7.30pm  
Sunday 10.00am, 12.00 noon  
Vigil Mass – Saturday 6.00pm

**LAUREL LODGE**

**St. Thomas the Apostle**  
Monday - Friday 10.00am  
Sunday 9.30am, 11.00am, 12.30pm  
Vigil Mass – Saturday 6.30pm

**MOUNTVIEW PARISH**

**St. Philip the Apostle**  
Monday – Friday/Holy Days/  
Bank Holidays 9.15am  
Saturday 10.00am  
Sunday 10.00am, 12.00 noon, 6.00pm  
Vigil Mass – Saturday 6.00pm  
Vigil – Eve of Holy Day 7.30pm

**Special Monthly Masses**

Two Hearts Devotions – First Friday 7.30pm  
St Peregrine's Mass – First Friday 7.30pm

**Lenten Season**

Weekdays 7.30pm

Mass schedule for all Dublin 15 parishes is on our website [www.stmochtasparrish.ie](http://www.stmochtasparrish.ie)

**ALONE** manage a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice. The support line is open seven days a week, **8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.**

**CONSOLE** 24/7 national suicide prevention helpline FreeFone 1800 247 247 [www.console.ie](http://www.console.ie)

**JIGSAW** Offering younger people going through a hard time in live. <https://www.jigsaw.ie/news-and-events/post/covid-19-what-were-doing>

[www.jigsaw.ie](http://www.jigsaw.ie)

**AWARE—SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS:** For information <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

**KIDS CORNER:** Having listened to the readings, please answer the following:

1. What question did Pilate ask Jesus?
2. Did Jesus say he was a King?
3. What kind of kingdom did Jesus speak about?
4. How can we be part of Jesus' Kingdom?



**TASK FOR THE WEEK:** Today we celebrate Jesus as King of our lives and of all of creation. What do you think are the qualities of the Kingship of Jesus? As followers of Jesus how can we continue to make it known that Jesus is our King, that we follow his rule?

**PORTERSTOWN PARKRUN**

Every Sat. from **9.30am**, parkrun is a **FREE**, weekly, timed, community 5k event whether you **walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate**. To take part you need to register on [www.parkrun.ie](http://www.parkrun.ie), print your barcode and head to Porterstown Park. All welcome.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** If you wish to donate to VDP, please pick up a **BLUE** envelope at the back of the church. Alternatively you can donate via Bank Transfer. **BIC Code: IPBSIE2D; IBAN Code: IE58IPBS99061180000992.** Thank you



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** The Society of St. Vincent de Paul continues to support those seeking assistance to the best of our availability. **For the many families that are helped they are faced daily impossible choices, but at this time of year for many these impossible choices get harder, put oil in the tank or get the present on their child's list.** This year, more than ever, your help is needed to make sure that children and families have what they need to share in the magic of the season. **On Sunday 11th December, St Vincent de Paul will be holding a church collection in the hope to raise funds for people who are struggling this Christmas.**

**ST. MOCHTA'S BETHANY BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

is unable to hold group meetings or 1:1's. If you need support, please phone or text **086 2479216** detailing if mornings or evenings suit you and one of the members will arrange a support call to you. Also the group has set up an **online monthly Bereavement support meeting.** The next online meeting will be held on **Monday 29th November at 7.30pm** in place of the physical meeting. This will be facilitated through Zoom. If you want to avail of this, simply send a text or call 086 2479216 and the group will set you up for the meeting. This is a strictly confidential service.



Archdiocese of Dublin – Blanchardstown Deanery

**ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH**

Porterstown / Clonsilla

**PARISH NEWSLETTER 21ST NOVEMBER, 2021—34TH SUNDAY—CHRIST THE KING**

“St. Mochta's is a young and developing faith community, which is conscious of its proud and ancient history, and seeks to be a welcoming and spirited Parish in the service of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.”

(Parish Mission Statement)

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**Parish Website Address:** [www.stmochtasparrish.ie](http://www.stmochtasparrish.ie)

**Webcam Link:** <https://www.stmochtasparrish.ie/home/mass-times-and-webcam>



**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**

On this great feast we rejoice in calling Christ our King. We owe him an allegiance we would not give to any other power on earth. Our lives are meant to bear witness to his Kingdom.

Today give us an opportunity to reflect on what kind of witnesses are we?

## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are a new parishioner or just visiting St. Mochta's you are very welcome and we, the existing community, hope you feel at home. If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to Fr. Paul. We would also be grateful if you could fill out a **Registration Form** in order to register with the parish. They are available at the back of the Church.

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



### 34th Sunday of the Year—Christ the King

6.00pm: James Kenny M/M  
10.30am: Christy Hughes (10th Anniv.)  
12.00pm: Conrad Sampson—Birthday Remembrance

#### EXPOSITION 7pm—8pm

##### Monday: St. Cecilia

10.00am: John and Johanna Luddy (Anniv.)

##### Tuesday: St. Columban

10.00am:

##### Wednesday: St. Colman

10.00am:

##### Thursday: St. Catherine of Alexandria

10.00am:

##### Friday:

10.00am: All who died on the Royal Canal in 1845

### 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6.00pm: Betty Mcguire  
10.30am: Áine Chawke  
12.00pm:

#### EXPOSITION 7pm—8pm

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.



**SCRIPTURE READING:** Each week we suggest a piece of Scripture to use in your prayer. Light a candle and read slowly the passage, re-read it a couple of times and reflect on it and listen to what God is saying to you. **This week's is Lk 21:25-28,34-36.**

**Please pray for** Fr. Paul, Baby Eve, Rui, Baby Freddie, Willie, M, Geraldine, Kevin, Mary P, Sean, Liam, Margaret R. and all those who are sick or housebound at this time.



## WEBCAM AND DONATE BUTTON:

The installation of our 'webcam' has successfully kept us in touch with parishioners and we have discovered that many people from outside of the parish and the country are attending our liturgical celebrations from their home anywhere in the world. **Our access link is: <https://www.stmochtasparish.ie/home/mass-times-and-webcam>** You can also access the link through our website **[www.stmochtasparish.ie](http://www.stmochtasparish.ie)**.



Our 'Donate Online' welcomes parishioners to make contributions to keep our church in good running order. You can use the donate button to make contributions to the following:

**Parish Offering**—provides for the running of the church including heating, lighting, candles, altar breads, insurance, cleaning, general office expenditure, etc.

**Maintenance and Restoration Fund**—goes towards the ongoing maintenance of the church, parish centre and parish grounds

**First Collection, Easter and Christmas Dues**—are sent directly to the Dublin Archdiocese to pay the income of all priests including sick and retired priests.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection—SHARE**—is sent directly to the Dublin Archdiocese to support the running of the diocese including administration costs, subsidise poorer parishes, etc. **Please go to our website [www.stmochtasparish.ie](http://www.stmochtasparish.ie) to see full details regarding the Parish Offering, etc.**

**Parish Offering** - By donating via Standing Order, envelope or using the Donate option on the website, St. Mochta's church can benefit from the 'tax back' incentive by including all the contributions in the total yearly recorded contribution of each donor and claim the tax back without any extra cost to the donor. This would greatly enhance the contributions received by the parish. (\*There is a small charge for transactions for the company who operate the online Donate facility.)

I am well aware that the Pandemic has also impacted negatively on the people who have lost their jobs and on those whose working hours have been cut and are currently dependent on government subsidies to give them a wage that they can manage to live on and support families. I appreciate that your circumstances may mean that you are not in a position to contribute at this time. I hope and pray that your situation will improve very soon.

I would be grateful for any support you can give at this time; we are in need of your support. I can assure you that you are always in my prayers and my hope is that, please God, we can all make a brighter future for our parish together.

Sincerely, Fr. Paul

## CHRISTIANS PERSECUTION AWARENESS – Week of Witness

**22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021:** Three hundred and forty million Christians around the world face significant persecution in their daily lives. Tens of thousands of Christians have been murdered, millions have been displaced, many have been abducted and numerous Christian places of worship have been desecrated or destroyed. In response to this situation a group of concerned citizens in the area came together in 2020 with the primary aim of raising awareness of this growing persecution. The group is called **Stop the persecution of Christians Dublin 15**. In conjunction with the organisation **Aid to the Church in Need** our group will be organising a series of events during the "Week of Witness" **22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> Nov.** facilitating people who have experienced persecutions to speak in our communities, distributing booklets and leaflets, lighting up the exterior of churches in red, coordinating the ringing of church bells etc. We would appreciate your prayers and support for persecuted Christians. For further information please contact us at 086 1591188.



## EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

takes place each Sunday evening from **7pm–8pm in the Church** and offers us an opportunity to spend some quiet time with God. **All very welcome.**



## WEDDING BELLS:

Congratulations to **Lee and Megan & John and Lauren** who were married this past week. May the Lord continue to bless them and deepen their love in the years ahead.



**REMEMBERING:** All welcome to join us at the Pro-Cathedral on Sunday lunchtimes in November for: Remembering. The choirs associated with the Pro-Cathedral present a series of four Sunday lunchtime performances singing a varied and wide-range of choral music. At each performance, we will remember those lost during the Covid period in a special way. **November 21st and 28th all at 1.15pm.** Admission is free.

## PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS:

Archbishop Farrell is asking for people and priests to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life on a regular basis. As you are well aware, the need is great, so let's answer God's call and "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest"



## REMEMBERING SOULS IN NOVEMBER:

November has traditionally been a time to remember loved ones who have died. If you would like to have your loved ones prayed for during the month and on the First Friday of each month through the year please take one of the lists and envelopes at the back of the church and return it as soon as you can.



## RETURNING TO FULL CAPACITY AT MASS:

I am delighted that we are now open to 'full capacity', and you will be glad to hear that the yellow ribbons are now gone, sanitising of seats is finished, bookings and contact tracing is not necessary. People can sit in seats to full capacity.



**Masks will have to be worn at all times and hands have to be sanitised before entering the church.**

We are truly grateful to the stewards as you have contributed to providing a healthy and safe environment in our church for parishioners over the past 19 months. We will still need to keep a presence of Stewards for the coming weeks as moving to full capacity still holds some restrictions. We are, please God, beginning to see a light for the end of Covid by maintaining these easing of restrictions as best we can over the coming time. I will keep you all in my prayers.

Thank you. Fr. Paul.

## Church Open for Private Prayer

- The church will be open from Monday to Friday from 11am until 4pm and Sunday from 1pm to 7pm. You are welcome to visit for Private Prayer. We ask you, when visiting, to please follow the health and safety guidelines.
- Please sanitise your hands, using the free-standing sanitisers on entry and exit to and from the church.
- Please use a face covering indoors at all times.
- **Private Prayer should be silent so as not to affect other people who are praying in silence.**
- If you are lighting a candle(s) please use the taper provided and be careful that you do not expose your hands to the naked flame as sanitising liquids can be flammable.
- Please do not visit the church if you are ill or displaying the virus symptoms.
- **Please note also that while in the church, the webcam is on live stream every day.**