

The CMC Times

The magazine of the Church of Ireland Parishes of
Castleknock and Mulhuddart with Clonsilla

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Castleknock National School Singing with Black Santa

On Wednesday 12th December, 6th Class pupils had their annual trip to St. Ann's Church in Dawson Street to do carol singing with Black Santa. The Black Santa appeal raises in the region of €40,000 for a range of charities every year, including charities which serve homeless people.

It became known as the Black Santa appeal because of the long heavy black cloaks worn by the clergy to keep out the cold. This is the 18th year that the appeal has been held in Dublin and in that time well over €500,000 has been raised for local good causes. Among the charities to benefit from the appeal are Trust, The Salvation Army, The Simon Community and the Peter McVerry Trust all of which work with the homeless. Other charities supported include Protestant Aid, Barnardos, St Vincent De Paul, the Laura Lynn Foundation and Solas Project.

Joyfulness

Joy is like new clothes - you feel good and other people think you're looking well. You can have a new wardrobe everyday because being joyful costs nothing.

In this months issue:

The Lenten season will soon be upon us and during February we are preparing ourselves for this time of reflection.

At the beginning of the year it is important that we reflect on the past year but also to look forward to the year ahead and how we can get closer in our faith with God.

We remember in our prayers at this time all those preparing to be confirmed in April.

Daffodil Day
Coffee Morning in aid
of Irish Cancer Society

Friday 22nd March
9.00 am - 1.00 p.m.

Castleknock Parish Centre

Please support this worthwhile event



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CHURCH FLOWERS

Would you like to have flowers in Church in memory of a loved one or to remember an anniversary, a wedding, a baptism, to celebrate a special event or for no particular reason.

The flowers can be an arrangement, fresh flowers in a vase or a pot plant.

It does not have to be expensive

For more information
please contact

Parish Office on 01
8200040 or Margaret
Tutty



A Growing Parish

Dear Parishioners

Over the past few months the Select Vestries have been considering how they might reach out to the new housing areas in the Parish.

In the Hansfield area alone, 3,000 new houses are being built. In November last, the Archbishop visited the area and saw for himself the tremendous growth that is taking place.

In many of these areas there is a huge housing development, both houses and apartments, but little green space, and few facilities. One wonders how a feeling of community can be built up. Although in a number of schools there is a community hall that is used widely.

In January, we are distributing some 8,000 leaflets to some of these homes, particularly in the new areas around Clonsilla Parish, these include Hansfield and Ongar. The community were invited to an open day on Saturday 26th January in the Parish Centre at Clonsilla where we hoped to meet some of the new residents. The leaflet which was distributed contains information about all our church services and organizations. On the day we had 'Welcome Packs', and our magazine to give out.

Please remember these new areas in your prayers and we hope many more will join God's family, to worship, witness and serve.

Yours sincerely

Canon Paul



Family 'make yourself at home' Service

The next Family 'make yourself at home' service will take place on **Saturday 9th February 2019** at 6pm if you can't make Sunday morning; why not call in on Saturday evening? This service will be a Service of Holy Communion. We would love to see you.

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and information
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**If any parishioners are unwell or due
to go into hospital, please let us know
so we can visit. Contact details above.**

Print Deadline

The next edition of The CMC
Times will be for **March
2019**.

The deadline for articles /
photos will be **Friday 15th
February 2019**.

What's happening in our Parish

Bowls

We are well back in action after the Christmas break. McIlwaine and Kerr teams have matches still to play – some home and some away. Having got a Bye in the 1st round of the Miller competition, it was a very close match in the 2nd round against Clonkeen they pipped us to the post by 1 shot!! Good luck to them as they progress. Again having got a Bye in the 1st round of the Hope competition, we met Glenageary in the 2nd round – this time we pipped them to the post by 1 shot and now we are scheduled to meet Crumlin in the quarter final. 1 shot can be very important!!!!

Valerie Greene



Poppy Day Appeal

Last November a number of collections were held in the Parish in aid of the Poppy Day Appeal. Over €973 was raised for this worthy cause. This goes to assist needy ex-servicemen, women and their dependent's in the Republic of Ireland. Your generous collections are most welcome, a letter of acknowledgement was received from the Royal British Legion. Well done to all involved.



Sunday Clubs

The Sunday Clubs meet most Sundays at 10.00 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, Clonsilla, and at 11.30 a.m. in St.



Brigid's Church, Castleknock. All children of school age are welcome. Please see the weekly service sheets for more details.

Christian Burial

On Tuesday 15th January, a funeral service was held for William (Bill) Samuel Sloan in St. Mary's Church, Clonsilla. Our deepest sympathy goes to Bill's wife, Betty, as well as his family and friends.

On Saturday 26th January, a funeral service was held for Rev. Robert Lawson in St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock. Our deepest sympathy goes to his wife, Ada, his sons, Theo and Paul, as well as his extended family and friends.

Our December Carol Singing for the elderly and Festive Supper was a lovely



sociable evening, enjoyed by all. Thank you to Jenny O'Connor for bringing her guitar – comments afterwards included "lovely, fantastic, brilliant playing".

Many thanks to Lynn Simpson from Phoenix 92.5 FM who spoke in January about "Community Radio: The Voice of the Community". Lynn was an enthusiastic and very informative speaker.

On the **4th February**, Abigail Sines, Deans Vicar in Christchurch Cathedral, is coming to tell us about her work with refugees, asylum seekers and vulnerable immigrants in our city. The talk will be themed "I was a stranger and you welcomed me".

On the **10th February** will have our "Opening Service" in St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock, at 11.30 a.m. The preacher will be Rev. Norman McCausland who is the Diocesan Chaplain to the Mothers' Union.

On the **16th February** there will be a Breakfast Meeting titled "Mind Body Phenomena in Health and Wellness" and the talk on the theme will be given by David Hegarty. It will take place in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip, from 9.30 a.m. and tickets will cost €8.

Everyone is welcome at Mothers' Union – the cuppa and chat are very important for getting to know you. Best wishes to you all for a blessed and healthy 2019.

Anne Cadoo

Holy Baptism

On 2nd December in St. Brigid's Church, Millie Hinds Carlile was welcomed into our faith family. Our best wishes go to her, her parents, godparents and family circle.

On 23rd December in St. Brigid's Church, Alvah Alfa and Avril Alfa were welcomed into our faith family. Our best wishes go to them, their parents, godparents and family circle.

On 20th January in St. Brigid's Church, Sophie Annabel Meredith was welcomed into our faith family. Our best wishes go to her, her parents, godparents and family circle.

Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

Diocese of Dublin & Glendalough

Breakfast Meeting

***Mind Body Phenomena
in Health & Wellness***

- David Hegarty



*Being Well and Healthy,
is very often a Frame of Mind.
It's a skill. You can learn the skill.*

**Springfield Hotel, Leixlip
Saturday 16th February 2019
9.30am - 11.30am**

Tickets €8

Please send your details to Diocesan Treasurer: treasurer mudg@gmail.com

Mrs. Jean Denner, 19 Ferrycarrig Park, Coolock, Dublin 17

Together with a crossed cheque, made payable to Mothers' Union Dublin & Glendalough

Services for February 2019

Sunday 3 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany - The Presentation of Christ

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. & Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

St Mary's Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.

Sunday 9 CPC Family Service 6.00 p.m.

Sunday 10 The Fourth Sunday before Lent (Proper 0)

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. &
Mothers' Union Opening Service 11.30 a.m.

St Mary's Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m.

Sunday 17 The Third Sunday before Lent (Proper 1)

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. & Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

St Mary's Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.

St Thomas' Evening Prayer 7.00 p.m.

Sunday 24 The Second Sunday before Lent - Transfiguration

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. & All Age Service 11.30 a.m.

St Mary's All Age Service 10.00 a.m.

**Sunday 3
March The Sunday before Lent**

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. & Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

St Mary's Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.

**Our regular Wednesday service of Holy Communion is held at
10.30 a.m. in Castleknock Parish Centre (CPC).**

More News

Advent Carol Service

This was held this year in St. Thomas, Laurel Lodge. Choirs from our own parish, Laurel Lodge and our Lady Mother of the Church took part. The service was traditional one with readings, advent hymns and anthems. We appreciate the singing of the choirs. We thank Fern Bartley, our organist and choir director, for all her work. Fern played the organ in Laurel Lodge. Thank you also to the Parish Priests, Brendan Quinlan and Kieran Coglán for their help and co-operation. €404 was raised in the collection for the homeless, through Focus Ireland. This was a very good start to the Church's New Year.



Hospital Visiting

I would appreciate it if families could let me know if a member goes into hospital. I may not hear otherwise, as we may not be contacted by Chaplains to Hospitals.

Many thanks, *Canon Paul*.

Confirmation Group

The Confirmation Group continues to meet at 5.00 p.m. on Sundays in the Parish Centre, Castleknock. Please remember the candidate in your prayers. The Confirmation Service will take place on Palm Sunday, 14th April, at 11.30 a.m. in St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock, when the Archbishop will preside.

St. Thomas Churchyard

The Parish is now in a position to offer burial spaces in St. Thomas' Churchyard Mulhuddart, for purchase in advance.

If you would like more information on this please contact the Parish office. There will be strict terms and conditions that will need to be followed.

Canon Paul



Link Missionary

We were very pleased to have with us on Advent Sunday, our link C.M.S. Missionary Rev. Keith Scott and his wife, Lynn. At the moment, they are on sabbatical in Ireland for three months. Both Keith and Lynn are teaching in the Theological College, in Kitwe, N. Zambia. It was interesting to hear about their work of training men and women for ministry in a very poor country like Zambia. Yet there were stories of hope, despite the fact that the church is underfunded, under resourced and under pressure.

We wish God's richest blessing on Keith and Lynn as they return to Zambia and will continue to support them. Please remember them in your prayers.

School Childrens' Carol Service

On the 9th December we had our Christmas Carol Service for Castleknock National School. St. Brigid's Church was packed to overflowing with 460 people! I would like to thank all the children who took part, every pupil did! A big thank you must go to the Principal, Sandra Maloney, and all the staff for their work. Also to the Parents Association who provided seasonal refreshments after the service. €950 was raised for Laura Lynn Children's Hospice and St. Brigid's Church.

NEW EMAIL INFORMATION SERVICE FOR PARISHES IN NORTH DUBLIN

In order to improve communication between parishes in North Dublin, a new email service has been announced –

"FINGAL NEWS"

This news sheet will advertise upcoming services, events and activities in the various northside parishes and will be produced once each month by the rector of Clontarf, Rev Lesley Robinson, Rural Dean.

The news sheet will be available on line at fingalnews@gmail.com. If you would like to receive a FREE copy of the news sheet please register at the email address.

Rev Lesley Robinson would also welcome information about events in the different parishes. It is hoped that parishioners will support this initiative and also support Services and events in neighbouring parishes.



Opera Gala

This gala night is in aid of Special Olympics World Summer Games and Home-Start Blanchardstown.

Saturday, March 9th 2019 at 8pm

St. Brigid's Church of Ireland, Castleknock Village.

Home-Start

Home-Start is a local charity, based in Mullmalur, that helps families help themselves.

**Special
Olympics
Ireland**



Tickets: €20.00

Guest Performers
Florence Chong-Soprano
David Corr-Baritone
Maria Matthews-Soprano
Shokri Raoof-Bass
Stephen Walker-Tenor
Pianist -Mary Scarlett
Colm Scully- Flautist

Free Parking

Tickets available from-
Rachel Devlin -086 2394387
Mary Troy -087 6295494 and from

Parish Office, Main St Castleknock, Dublin
Tel. 8200040(9.30-1pm) *Except Wednesday*
Limited availability at the door on the night

