

The CMC Times

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Castleknock and Mulhuddart with Clonsilla

March 2020

Mothers' Union Enrolment



In this month's issue:

We are now in the season of Lent and the Confirmation Service will be taking place on the 22nd March. Please remember the 15 young people preparing for their confirmation.

Dates for your diary:

The Wednesday Club met recently for their AGM and confirmed the list of

events for this year.

More information on this is on page 6.

The Annual Opera Gala in aid of Home Start Blanchardstown and Special Olympics Ireland will be on 21st March.

A Coffee Morning in aid of Daffodil Day will take place on Friday 27th March from 9.00 a.m. Please do support this worthy cause.

Confirmation Service

on

Sunday 22nd March 2020

at

11.30 a.m.

in

**St. Brigid's Church,
Castleknock**

**Please keep all the confirmands in
your prayers at this time.**



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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
Meryl Foster (Castleknock) or
Margaret Tutty (Clonsilla)



Family 'make yourself at home' Service

The next Family 'make yourself at home' service will take place on **Saturday 7th March** 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 from the Iona Community. We would love to see you.



St. Thomas' Church, Mulhuddart

Our winter services in St. Thomas' Church, Mulhuddart, are on the 3rd Sunday of the month. The next service is on **Sunday 15th March**, at 7.00 p.m. All Welcome.



The Season of Discovery

Dear Parishioners,

This year I attended the Dublin Clergy Conference. It was held in Kilkenny on 3 days in February.

One of the speakers was Michael Mitton who talked about life in the desert, the wilderness. An interesting theme as we approach Lent when we think of Jesus in the wilderness.

Michael has written an interesting book "*Seasoned by Seasons – Flourishing in Life's Experiences*". I thought we would examine some of the themes of this interesting book during this Lenten season. He states that we have to recognise that in our own journey of the soul, the seasons do not necessarily follow the order that we see in the outer world.

In that world, spring follows winter, and autumn always follows summer. But in the seasons of the soul, we can experience a beautiful springtime, but then a sudden loss can throw us into an autumn. One season may last several months, and another a few days. There is really no telling which season is coming next. But in the Bible stories that we will examine they tell us that we are given what we need to face whichever season comes our way.

Lent can be a season of discovery. Over the Sundays in Lent, we will examine some important themes:-

1st March- 1st Sunday in Lent: Guilt, the discovery of Wisdom (David)

8th March - 2nd Sunday in Lent: Despair, the discovery of Hope (Isaiah)

15th March - 3rd Sunday in Lent: Failure, the discovery of Being (Samaritan Woman)

29th March - 5th Sunday in Lent / Passion Sunday: Confusion, the discovery of Light (Nicodemus)

5th April - 6th Sunday in Lent / Palm Sunday: Crisis, the discovery of Presence (Daniel)

I hope you will be able to come along to discover together.

Yours sincerely,

Canon Paul



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or on Twitter on [@cmcparish](https://twitter.com/cmcparish)

**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 **April 2020**.

The deadline for articles /
photos will be **Thursday 13th
March 2020**.

Mothers' Union Notes



Thank you to Cllr Eoghan O'Brien, Mayor of Fingal, for being our speaker in February and we appreciate that he included us in his hectic schedule. We enjoyed the amusing and informative talk as well as having our photos taken with him, complete with impressive mayoral chain.



We welcomed Bishop Pat Storey to our Opening and Enrolment Service in St Mary's Church, Clonsilla, recently. It was a truly joyful occasion and Bishop Pat preached a great down to earth and memorable sermon. Thank you so much.

At the time of writing, the next date in the diary is the Diocesan Breakfast Meeting in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip, on Saturday 29th February at 9.30 a.m. The guest speaker will be Mr John Saunders, CEO of Shine, national organisation supporting people affected by mental ill health.

Then on Monday 2nd March, Ms Ena Norris is coming to tell us about the Daisyhouse Housing Initiative for Women. On Monday 9th March, we have been invited to Tallaght Branch for a Bereavement Support Meeting.

We extend a warm welcome to all to join us at the above get together. Hope you can come along for the friendship and a cuppa, most important of all.

See you soon.

Anne



Christian Aid visit to the Parish

On Sunday 2nd February, Christian Aid's Church and Community Officer, Dee Huddleston, spoke in both St Mary's Church, Clonsilla, and St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock, about the climate crisis and how Christian Aid is working to help some of the world's poorest communities to adapt to its worst effects.



2020 is a make or break year for the planet when it comes to tackling the climate crisis. Dee shared with us the personal story of Christian Aid's Rev. Bob Kikuyu about how a changing climate is causing the crops on his parent's farm to fail and how this has impacted their lives. Dee also spoke about how Christian Aid and their local partner ADSE are helping communities in Eastern Kenya to adapt to drought and poor rains by building earth and sand dams which provide them with access to much needed water that they use to grow crops and feed their families.

Dee is pictured with Canon Paul and Stella. You can keep up to date on Christian Aid's work to tackle the climate crisis in Kenya by going to their Lent and Easter Appeal page at <https://bit.ly/2OqQwOp>.



Wednesday Club 2020

Date	Event	Cost	Additional Information
25 th March	Richmond Barracks	€4 *	Tour is at 2 o'clock, lunch will be available to purchase at the venue prior to the tour. Closing date 11 th March.
29 th April	Jennie Johnson	€10 *	Lunch in Harbourmaster at 12 noon. Closing date 15 th April. Venue not suitable for those with limited mobility.
27 th May	Botanic Gardens	€5 *	Lunch will be at 12 noon. Closing date 13 th May.
24 th June	Picnic Glendalough	€15 *	We will be leaving Castleknock at 11.30 a.m.
30 th July	Burtown House		Thursday Outing to Burtown House in Athy. There will be a tour of the House and Garden. Cost will depend on numbers. Closing date 19 th July.
26 th August	Featherfield Organic Farm	€25	Lunch, talk and tour plus an opportunity to buy organic products. Closing date 12 th August.
30 th September	Lunch and Walk		Details to be decided
22 nd October	Newgrange And Knowth	€16 *	Tour at 11.30 a.m. Lunch is available afterwards. Final costs will depend on numbers. Closing date 11 th October.
November	Parish Fair		
2 nd December	Christmas Lunch		Finnstown House, details will be available closer to the date.

* Lunch not included in cost.

Details subject to change but information will be advertised on the service sheets closer to the dates.

The cost of away trips by bus depends on the numbers, so you are very welcome to bring your friends. The bus holds 36 people.

Services for March 2020

Sunday 1 The First Sunday in 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.

Saturday 7 CPC Family Holy Communion Service 6.00 p.m.

Sunday 8 The Second Sunday in Lent

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. & Morning Prayer 11.30 a.m.
St Mary's Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m.

Sunday 15 The Third Sunday in 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.
St Thomas' Evening Prayer 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday 17 St. Patrick's Day

St Brigid's Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 22 The Fourth Sunday in Lent

St Brigid's Holy Communion 8.30 a.m. &
Confirmation Service 11.30 a.m.
St Mary's All Age Service 10.00 a.m.

Sunday 29 The Fifth Sunday in 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.

Sunday 5 April The Sixth Sunday in Lent - Palm Sunday

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).**

Castleknock National School



Castleknock National School was founded in 1720 and is therefore celebrating a unique anniversary this year as it 300 years old. Plans are afoot to welcome President Michael D. Higgins in May. We would welcome any historical information on the school and if you are a past pupil and would like to take part in recording 'Memories of CNS', please contact the school office on 01-8202611. We have a new banner to celebrate 300 years on the school gates.



Holy Baptism

On Sunday 26th January in St. Mary's Church, Beth Angela Wherity was welcomed into our faith family. Our best wishes go to her, her parents, godparents and family circle.

Also on Sunday 26th January in St. Brigid's Church, Poppy Daisy Hutchinson was welcomed into our faith family. Our best wishes go to her, her parents, godparents and family circle.



Bowling Club



Unfortunately our efforts in the Kerr and Hope competitions were not as we had hoped and so we haven't progressed to the Finals. However, we have good news to report for the McIlwaine team ... we have the points and the shots in our section and will be playing in the final in Lucan on the 12th March. So with our skills and LUCK we will be bringing home the trophy.

Dates have been arranged for our Club "End of Season" competitions – Top Score is played over 4 nights and the Doubles played over 2 nights to be followed on another night with a social evening and meal in a local restaurant. Our AGM will be held on the 6th May.

Valerie Greene

Christian Burial

On Friday 31st January, a funeral service took place for Carol Ann Hilton (née Branch), in St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock. Our deepest sympathy goes to her family for their loss.

Knit and Natter

Needles are clicking and tongues are wagging keep watch on the Sunday Service sheet for dates and places where this takes place!

Valerie G.



More News

Confirmation Group

The Confirmation Group continues to meet on Sunday evenings. There are currently 15 young people in the group and the Confirmation Service will take place on Sunday 22nd March at 11.30 a.m. in St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock where the Archbishop Michael will preach and lead the service. This is also Mothering Sunday.

Please remember all the candidates in your prayers - Emily, Mary, Darrell, Edward, Tamunoyalla, Lola, Elliot, Victoria, Faye, Ruairi, Sam, Blossom, Nathan, Adam & Victor.



St. Patrick's Day

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion for St. Patrick's Day in St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock, at 10.30 a.m. on St. Patrick's Day, Tuesday 17th March. All Welcome.



General Easter Vestry Castleknock and Mulhuddart

on

Sunday 29th March 2020

after the

11.30 a.m. morning service

in

Castleknock Parish Centre.

*We hope it be well
supported.*

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families
Inclusion, Health & Counselling

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT EVENING

Speaker Mrs Clare Stewart Bereavement Councillor

*Organised by Tallaght Mothers' Union
in conjunction Diocesan Mothers' Union*

**Monday 9th March 2020 at 8pm
In St. Maelruain's Hall, Tallaght**

EVERYONE WELCOME!



Comhairle Contae
Fhine Gall
Fingal County
Council



OPERA GALA CASTLEKNOCK 2020

All proceeds will be donated to Home-Start Blanchardstown and Special Olympics Ireland

21st March 2020 at 8:00 pm
St. Brigid's Church of Ireland, Castleknock

Tickets €20

Accompanist:
MAIREAD HURLEY

Musical Interlude:
PAT TROY (Trumpet)

Special Guest:
AVA EUSTACE

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1. Shokro Raaf
2. David Corr
3. Sarah Kilcoyne

4. Karen Nelson
5. Stephen Walker
6. Maria Mathews



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MC is the Internationally Acclaimed Virginia Kerr

Tickets from Eventbrite or Call 087 629 5494 / 086 239 4387 / 087 747 0703 / 086 193 1519



**CASTLEKNOCK GIRL GUIDE UNIT ARE LOOKING FOR
HELP FOR OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM!**



WE HAVE RECENTLY RE-OPENED THIS UNIT AND HAVE A GREAT BUNCH OF GIRLS WHO URGENTLY NEED LEADERS OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE.

WE ARE VOLUNTEERS WHO MEET IN CASTLEKNOCK PARISH CENTRE ON TUESDAY NIGHTS FROM 7.30 PM TO 9PM. TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED, INCLUDING GARDA VETTING AND SAFEGUARDING.

CAN YOU HELP US — OR DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED? PLEASE CONTACT US AT CASTLEKNOCKGUIDES@GMAIL.COM.

WE WILL HAVE MORE PLACES FOR GIRLS IF WE HAVE MORE LEADERS! IF YOUR DAUGHTER IS INTERESTED, WOULD YOU COME WITH HER?

DIOCESE OF DUBLIN

PARISHES OF CASTLEKNOCK AND MULHUDDART WITH CLONSILLA



DAFFODIL DAY

(IN AID OF IRISH CANCER SOCIETY)

FRIDAY MARCH 27TH 2020

COFFEE MORNING

IN THE

PARISH CENTRE, CASTLEKNOCK

9.00A.M. - 1.00P.M.

PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT THIS EVENT