

The CMC Times



**Parishes of Castleknock and Mulhuddart with Clonsilla
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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 the issue for **September 2022**. The deadline for articles / photos will be **Monday 15th August 2022**.

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

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Rector Writes

Dear Parishioners,

Just before the end of the school year during school assembly, I was talking to the children about the preparation we need to go on a journey. Summer is a time when our mind drifts to long days away in the (hopefully) sunshine, day trips, long weekends or even a holiday at home or abroad.

Following almost two years of restrictions and cancellations most of us are rather out of practice of going anywhere, so when it comes to organising a day trip, let alone a couple of weeks away, we can hardly remember the essentials we need for any sort of trip. Some of you will be the organised type with lists prepared and everything packed perfectly and routes for a day or a fortnight all planned out. While others (like me) tend to take the “throw it all in, we’ll be grand” type approach.

Whatever your approach to packing a bag for a day away or a suitcase for a longer vacation, I imagine most of us end up with far too much stuff (the same could be said for most areas of our lives). We all know how it goes - “I must put in a jacket in case it gets cold in the evenings” or “sure you never know when you might need jungle strength insect repellent” – and so on. We then end up with bulky bags that are too heavy and a load of things we don’t need.

One year on returning from holiday in Australia, Janice and I received those dreaded words at check in, “excess baggage”. It’s a rather frantic experience as you’re faced with the decision of either paying an extortionate amount or discarding some luggage. On the spot you have to decide what is in your case that you don’t need, what is too heavy to carry with you.

In life we often carry things with us that we can find too heavy to bear. We can carry past experiences, regrets, guilt, anger and even shame. Scripture teaches us that God wants us to let go of those things that weigh us down. In Matthew chapter 11, Jesus says *“Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.”* Jesus promises to journey with us to help us share the load of life’s experiences that bear us down.

Many may question who was there to help carry their pain and struggles in times of grief, illness and uncertainty. St

Teresa of Avila once said *“Christ has no body now, but yours. No hands, no feet on earth, but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.”* We are called to be Christ to those around us. As a church family it is our calling to love, encourage and support one another. You will never know how much a text or phone call, a meeting up for coffee, an offer of help can mean to someone who is carrying with them a heavy load. In the words of one of my favourite hymns ‘Brother. Sister let me Serve You’:

“We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.”

Over the summer while people are away and perhaps we don’t see each other as much, let’s remember to keep looking out for those who are struggling. Those who are trying to cope on their own but need someone to help them carry the excess baggage. And, if you are struggling don’t be afraid to reach out to me or someone else, let us help carry the load, we are all here for each other.

I hope you all enjoy some time of relaxation over the summer whether at home or abroad. Church continues as normal so we’d love to see you when you’re able to join us.

God bless,

Rev Colin



Services for July 2022

(Subject to change)

Sunday 3	The Third Sunday after Trinity (Proper 9)	
	St Mary's	Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.
	St Brigid's	Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.
Wed 6	Castleknock Parish Centre	Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 10	The Fourth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 10)	
	St Mary's	Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m.
	St Brigid's	Morning Prayer 11.30 a.m.
	St Thomas'	Compline / Evening Prayer 8.00 p.m.
Wed 13	Castleknock Parish Centre	Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 17	The Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 11)	
	St Mary's	Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.
	St Brigid's	Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.
Wed 20	No Service	
Sunday 24	The Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 12)	
	St Mary's	All Age Service 10.00 a.m.
	St Brigid's	All Age Service 11.30 a.m.
	St Thomas'	Holy Communion 8.00 p.m.
Wed 27	No Service	
Sunday 31	The Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)	
	St Mary's	United Service of the Word 10.00 a.m.

The Wednesday service of Holy Communion continues in Castleknock Parish Centre at 10.30 a.m.

Live streaming will continue from St. Brigid's Church on Sundays at 11.30 a.m.

Services for August 2022

(Subject to change)

Wed 3 Castleknock Parish Centre Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 7 The Eighth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 14)

St Mary's Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.

St Brigid's Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

Wed 10 Castleknock Parish Centre Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 14 The Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15)

St Mary's Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m.

St Brigid's Morning Prayer 11.30 a.m.

St Thomas' The Litany 8.00 p.m.

Wed 17 Castleknock Parish Centre Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 21 The Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15)

St Mary's Holy Communion 10.00 a.m.

St Brigid's Holy Communion 11.30 a.m.

Wed 24 Castleknock Parish Centre Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 28 The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)

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

St Brigid's All Age Service 11.30 a.m.

St Thomas' Holy Communion 8.00 p.m.

Wed 31 Castleknock Parish Centre Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

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Holy Baptism

We were delighted to welcome
Connie Black into our church
family on her baptism on



Sunday 12th June during our service of Morning Prayer in
St. Brigid's Church, Castleknock. Connie, the daughter of
Fergal and Emma Black, was joined by her Godparents
Robin and Eimear along with family and friends. Connie
was baptised by her grandfather Canon Noel Regan.

On Sunday 26th June there was great celebration in St
Mary's, Clonsilla for the Baptism of Caraíosa McCarthy.
Caraíosa is the daughter of Cían and Xana who were
joined by her Godparents Sarah and Niamh along with
friends and family.



Summer greetings to you all as we are able to spread our
wings and hope you have the opportunity to get away
this year on a staycation or further afield. Gardens
demand attention and I'm enjoying getting outdoors and
the benefits of fresh air and hope you are too.

We continue to pray for those who are ill, send
congratulations to families with new arrivals and to
remember those living through conflict.

Advance notice as we look forward to September with
great hope and joy. We will be having a Songs of Praise
evening in the Parish Centre on Monday 5th September
at 8.00 p.m. and ALL ARE WELCOME.

Quote—"We cannot cure the world of sorrows, but we
can choose to live in joy." There is nothing like singing
together to lift the spirits.

Anne C.

CONFIRMATION 2022

It is with great relief that Confirmation will finally be able
to go ahead in autumn this year following delays due to
the pandemic. At time of going to print we are awaiting
confirmation from the Archbishop's office of the date of
the service which will take place in Christ Church
Cathedral.

Following our introduction evening in June we plan to
recommence classes on Sunday 28th August at 6.00 p.m.
in Castleknock Parish Centre.

We look forward to seeing the
candidates in church over the
coming months and ask that
you keep them in your prayers
as they prepare to be
confirmed.



More News

Sunday Club Gift Sunday

On Sunday 26th June there was much excitement in St Brigid's as the Sunday Club were able to host their Gift Day for the first time in two years. The children took part in Bible Reading and leading our prayers as well as singing "Peace Like A River."

Children who attended Sunday Club at any point throughout the year were presented with a book and there was also a small gift for all the other children.



Following the service the children, and adults, enjoyed some ice cream.

Thank you to all our wonderful Sunday Club teachers and helpers in both Castleknock and Clonsilla. We look forward to Sunday Club being fully back to normal in September and Gift Days in both churches in 2023.

Given the adult supervision needed in both churches please let us know if you would be willing to be an extra adult helper for Sunday Club.



Church Family Picnic

On Sunday 28th August we will be encouraging everyone to bring along a picnic as we head to one of our local parks for a church family picnic around 12.15 p.m. following the All-Age Service in Castleknock. This will be a great opportunity for some fun and socialising as we seek to get to know one another better and build

friendships across our church family.

The venue will be decided closer to the time. We are of course hoping for a lovely sunny day but if the weather is against us we will go ahead only in Castleknock Parish Centre.



Save the date Church Family Picnic

Sunday 28th August 2022

**Venue to be decided and
dependant on weather**

**Following the All-Age Services
at 12.15 p.m. approx.**

