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Dicastery for Promoting
Integral Human
Development is inspired
by Pope Francis' 2015

encyclical. It equips the Church to achieve real and lasting solutions to the ecological crisis. This ever-growing program supports participants to develop tailored Laudato Si' Action Plans to accomplish one purpose: *Concrete actions to protect our common home.*

In their statement from their Spring Conference, the Catholic Bishops recommend that 30% of parish grounds be returned to nature by 2030. The bishops viewed a report on the range of work being undertaken by its Laudato Si Working Group, together with various related initiatives being undertaken at parish level across the country. In response to the impending loss of nature in our world, the call of Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical letter, and the agreements made at the recent UN Conference on Biodiversity (COP15), bishops ask parishes, through their Parish Pastoral Councils and Diocesan Trusts, to identify and care for 30% of parish grounds as a haven for pollinators and biodiversity, so it can be enjoyed in perpetuity by the whole community.

The Parish Council is engaging in this program and is in the process of building a plan on how we, as a parish, can improve our every day lifestyle with the view to making our world a better and safer environment. In view of this request we plan to start a program

this year in the parish grounds which will involve all elements of the community, Fingal Council, Tidy Towns, Portmarnock Community School and any other interested parties to develop the church grounds into a 'blooming' spectacle and ecological habitat for nature.

THE LAUDATO SI' GOALS

These seven goals provide guidance on urgent and immediate actions each one of us can take in the care of our common home. "All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents" (Laudato Si' 14)



**RESPONSE TO THE CRY
OF THE EARTH**



**RESPONSE TO THE CRY
OF THE POOR**



**ECOLOGICAL
ECONOMICS**



**ADOPTION OF
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If you have any reflections or suggestions to offer on our future, please e-mail to stannes@portmarnockparish.ie for the attention of the Parish Pastoral Council.

From Canon John's Desk



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It is the hope of the Parish Pastoral Council that Progress will reach every home in the Parish. Progress is part of our Parish outreach, through which we hope to connect especially with those who have little or no contact with the Parish Church or Community. A special welcome to all those who are new to the Parish, especially in the newly developing areas in and around Portmarnock.

A core value of our Parish is to continue to be part of creating a community where 'there is room for everyone', where all are valued and each one's talents are welcomed and utilised. In the past 50 years, the people and priests of Portmarnock have contributed enormously to building up and enriching the life of the local community. It was such a privilege for me, a recent 'blow in', to see the justifiable pride displayed at our recent Golden Jubilee celebrations, by all those who have built a thriving community out of very small beginnings.

If it's God's will, we hope to continue on these solid foundations of Faith, Hope and Love in action, way into the future. For this to happen, we need **YOU**. New people are needed in every area of Parish life, both in liturgical and outreach ministries. Consider this an invitation to make yourself and your talents known to me or a member of the Pastoral Council if you are not already involved in the life of the Parish. If you would like to get involved in lay ministries at Mass or in the Sacraments there are a number of tasks you could take on. You could train as: **Reader of the Word, Minister of the Eucharist, Collector/Steward, Funeral Ministry, Liturgical Art/Floristry Ministry, Children and Youth Ministry, First Holy Communion/Confirmation Team, Baptism Team, Sacristy and Liturgical Assistant Team (serving at Mass etc.), Music Ministry**....and many, many more. Perhaps your preference is for outreach, non-liturgical ministry. All our groups could do with new volunteers: **Meals on Wheels, St. Vincent de Paul Conference, Legion of Mary, Home visitation, Homeless & Beach Outreach** and many more.

Please contact me at cjf@portmarnockparish.ie to register your interest. All ministries require completion of a diocesan Volunteer Declaration Form available from the Parish Office or online. Ministries that involve direct contact with children or vulnerable adults also require up to date Garda vetting. I look forward to a renewal of all our ministries in the new Pastoral Year beginning in September. Have a great Summer! CJF

A PRACTICAL PARISH MATTER

Church Car Park: Our retired Archbishop used to say that a viable present-day parish needs a decent church, an attached parish centre and sufficient car parking. Fortunately, Portmarnock meets all three criteria! However, our very ample car park is presenting a number of challenges at present. I'm fully aware that any problems we have with car parking are very much 'first world'. I have served in a number of parishes with no parking, and this brought its own problems: smaller numbers at Mass and church events, as people simply drove to the nearest church with better parking facilities!

Recently, a number of parishioners have complained of the difficulty of finding a parking space when coming to Sunday Mass, attending Funerals or accessing events in the Parish Centre. This arises partly from the fact that the Church Car Park has become the 'Village' Car Park. While I see this as mainly positive, that the parish facility can be used to support life and business in the village, it is also presenting ongoing problems at church and parish centre 'prime time'. Parishioners with mobility difficulties have complained of having to walk a distance from the 'overflow' back Car Park to the church because all the nearer spaces are already taken. They find this walk too long and painful particularly in bad weather. What can we do about it? I'd love to hear your views.

The first action I intend to pursue is to talk our neighbours in Arche, the Pitch and Putt club and St. Marnock's NS about their parking needs. Those who regularly park for prolonged periods in the church car park will be requested to use only the back car park and leave the spaces around the church, both back and front, for church and Parish Centre users. There would seem to be a need for a co-ordination of schedules with our neighbours so that their need for extra car parking at times doesn't coincide with Mass and Funeral times. At the same time, a number of cars that regularly park in the church grounds all day, every workday, will be monitored and their owners advised that **all day parking** is no longer an option.

A few people have reported **dangerous driving and obstructive parking** in the Car Park, particularly around school opening and closing times. I have witnessed this many times myself and have occasionally asked people to move their thoughtlessly and occasionally dangerously parked vehicles. Most people have responded politely and positively, but not all. To the abusive responders, I've assured them that they would not be allowed to continue abusing our facility or to place children and other users in danger for much longer. I write, partly in response to these perennial transgressors. At one of these interactions an on-looking, supportive school parent suggested erecting a barrier and charging for parking around school time as she considered the parish to be an enabler of unnecessary car usage for children who live a short distance from the school and could walk or cycle to school most of the time.

Pope Francis in his letter on the environment 'Laudato Si' has also asked parishes to examine the stewardship of their resources and ensure that the use of our properties is sympathetic to the best 'care of the earth' principles. I have brought these access, health and safety and ethical concerns to the Parish Finance Committee for consideration with a view to action. Work has already started on safer parking at the entrance and exits. The one-way system in operation for everybody's safety is ignored daily. The very low speed limit is frequently neglected. Trucks and large buses enter the church grounds regularly and have caused damage to pavements and tarmac while occasionally being parked overnight without permission. In the short term our signage and monitoring of the car park needs upgrading and improvement. A long-term change also has to happen as it is unfair, unsafe and potentially very harmful to continue operating the car park in its present form. We will try to bring about change in a neighbourly and friendly way. If this doesn't work, we will have to investigate finding a more professional way of managing parking as many other parishes have already done. This could entail a major financial implication. **CJF**

The Plunkett Brickworks

The Plunkett family of Portmarnock House had been making bricks from at least the late 18th Century, exploiting the local ample source of brick-clay. In 1880, Thomas Luke Plunkett brought production to an industrial level, establishing Portmarnock Brick and Terracotta Works. Three kilns were operated, and manufacturing continued there until shortly after the end of WWI. The main access to the works was by the 'Old Road', a lane which ran



by the former church and approached Portmarnock House from the west.

'Portmarnock Brick' can be seen on a number of local buildings (e.g., the Plunkett Cottages), and in many buildings in Dublin City and County (e.g., Malahide Library, the Red Stables, Raheny, the hospital in Portrane, some city fire-stations, etc.)



Fingal Matters - Cllr. Brian McDonagh

A PLAYFUL STREET

Fingal and A Playful City will be running the programme in key locations over the summer, including an Open Day event in Balbriggan on Saturday 27th of May to kick start the pilot. They are now looking for other areas across Fingal to register their interest in hosting A Playful Street event. Those who host one of the events will get support and resources including the expertise of the Playful City team, starter packs and the restricting of access to vehicles to a street on pilot days so that they can be opened for the neighbourhood gathering. The

neighbourhood led street gatherings would see the creation of a safe, cheap and easily accessible option closer to home for playtime and local resident engagement. When traffic is restricted to local stewarded access, streets become a safe and secure space for children to run, play, and explore. This not only encourages physical activity, but also fosters socialisation and community building among children, their families and other neighbours on a street. For more information on the initiative, details of the Open Day or to register your interest in joining the pilot programme, visit the Council's website: www.fingal.ie/playful-streets.



33 Years Strong Celebrating in the Community

Thank you to all those who assist the club in fundraising, without your help we would be lost. Thanks recently to Terry O Reilly and friends for their kind donation and for their continued support.



Pictured are members of the Swords Leader Gymnastic team who won medals at the International competition in Swords. Included in the picture are two Portmarnock girls, Paige O'Callaghan and Laragh Murphy



Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is Friday 16th June.

Ahead of the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Pope Francis encourages Catholics to discover the riches of charity hidden in the heart of Christ. ***"Friday 16th June we will celebrate the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Do not be afraid to present to him all the intentions of our suffering humanity, its fears, its miseries. May this Heart, full of love for humanity, give everyone hope and trust. I invite you to discover the riches that are hidden in the Heart of Jesus, to learn to love your neighbour,"***

This liturgical feast is celebrated on the Friday after Corpus Christi. The devotion to the heart of Jesus has Christ's unconditional love at its centre. St. Marguerite Marie Alacoque, a 17th-century French nun and mystic, helped spread devotion to the Sacred Heart through her visions in which Christ expressed his desire to reveal his loving heart to humankind. Why not subscribe to the oldest and most popular Irish religious publication The Sacred Heart Messenger. Find out more at www.messenger.ie.

PORTMARNOCK & DISTRICT MEN'S SHED: Having endured the disruptions imposed by lockdowns and pandemic related restrictions, Portmarnock & District Men's Shed (PDMS) has returned to full function. There is a well-equipped workshop as well as a very popular recreation area complete with a very, very popular pool table. Bridging the space between those two is an even more popular kitchen area where the kettle is always ready to provide that all important cuppa.

The Men's Shed movement was first founded in Australia in the 1980's, and in it's now global spread, Ireland has become one of the leading nations for men's sheds. Currently,

there are over 450 sheds in Ireland, with at least 10,000 men visiting a shed every week.

A key and recurring phrase in the Men's Shed movement is "Men don't talk face to face. They talk shoulder to shoulder." It turns out that – when it comes to the important stuff – men aren't all that great at talking. However, men's sheds are about more than just woodwork or gardening, they are places where men can find meaning and purpose and will always find a friend. We always say the greatest tool we have is the kettle because there's nothing more powerful than a cup of tea and a chat. The Portmarnock Shed is located at the rear of the White Sands Hotel and is always open to new members. You can drop in and see us or call 086



2384663 for information.



Opening Times

Mon – 10 am – 2 pm

Tues – 10 am – 4 pm

Weds – 10 am – 2 pm

Thurs – 10 am – 4 pm

Friday – 10 am – 2 pm



ACCORD is a Catholic Marriage Care Service that provides Marriage Preparation courses for couples choosing to marry in the Catholic Church. We the Church rejoice in your decision and offer support to you on your journey together. As you choose to be married within the community of the Church, this Sacrament will enrich your

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- Marriage and how you Communicate.
- Marriage and Your Conflict Management
- Choosing the Sacrament of Marriage
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- Marriage and Your being Parents
- Marriage and Your Fertility Awareness and Well-being
- Marriage and Your Sexuality and Intimacy.

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The emphasis at all times is on your needs as a couple, to deepen your relationship together, help you understand the various elements that make up your unique partnership and to celebrate your commitment to each other. Be assured that at no time during the programme will any couple or individual be placed in a situation that will cause them embarrassment or distress. To reserve a place at our next event please go to: accord.ie/services/marriage-preparation. If the date shown is not convenient there is a list of other locations available, or you can contact the Accord office via email at: marriagepreparation@accordublin.ie.

Portmarnock Community Association

Portmarnock Railway History

In May of 2024 Irish Rail will celebrate 180 years of the Dublin to Drogheda Railway (D&DR) train service which opened in 1844. The development of the railway service was broken into sections which were tendered and assigned to multiple contractors. The contractor teams working simultaneously along the route, bridging canals, estuaries, rivers, roads, making deep cuttings through hard rock. The Portmarnock tenders were number 2 & 3, and were assigned to a contractor in Kilbarrack, Mr. William Robert Weeks. His company worked South and North of Kilbarrack terminating at the Royal Canal at one end and Portmarnock at the other, a distance of 10 kilometres. The original list of stations along the completed route show the same opening date of 25 May 1844 however the granite Dublin Amiens Street Ticket Hall and Station were not completed until the following year. The original Clontarf Station was situated close to Harry Byrne's pub, plus there was a short-lived station at Royal Canal.

Portmarnock platform, station office and bridge were completed in 1843. We know from records that 10-kilometre test runs starting from the Royal Canal Station were run to develop an early interest in the railway and offer an opportunity for day trippers to escape the city smog for the sea air along Portmarnock sand. In time the D&DR would use the slogan 'The Velvet Strand' to win enthusiasts and it was successful, as over the decades it became a favourite destination. Next year we will celebrate our local railway station as the oldest in-service station in operation between Dublin and Drogheda. The station's original Ticket Office was demolished when preparation for the Dart service required that the railway bridge be strengthened. There is still one of the original bridges that were built if you look southward along the line towards Dublin. This bridge will soon be open to the public as part of a walking/cycling path linking Portmarnock Bay with Druimnigh. The bridges were built to give landowners access to their fields for cattle grazing and farming. This bridge is in great condition and will be a welcome addition to our heritage as one of only a few bridges of its type to survive with the advent of road traffic bridges.

Gordon Murphy - Chairman PCA Email us today on portmarnock1@gmail.com



Naomh Mearnóg Nursery is all about having fun with friends and playing games while learning basic skills of Gaelic games. It is the perfect induction for all those budding future stars of Naomh Mearnóg & Dublin!!!

New members are always welcome, just come along any Saturday morning.

Naomh Mearnóg Mini Leagues

The biggest week of the year in the Portmarnock sporting calendar returns on Monday 19th June and concludes with the Finals Day on Sunday 25th June. Everyone in the Community is invited to join us throughout the week to cheer on these fun and exciting games. The Club is also delighted to announce that the Family Day returns on 25th June 2023.... bigger and better.

Summer Camp Members Series 2023

Cúl Camp 1 - will run from July 3rd to July 7th

Cúl Camp 2 - will run from July 10th to July 14th

Hurling /Club /Pre-school Camps will run from August 14th to August 18th.

Portmarnock AFC



Young Guns Take Manchester!

Our U11 Saturday side were on tour over in Manchester at the weekend! They visited the National Football Museum, attended Manchester City vs Leeds and took in a tour of Old Trafford! The boys were also kindly welcomed for a game by @ReddishVilla. The boys pushed the hosts hard in a thrilling encounter. On Sunday morning, the lads were hosted by Ashton on Mersey where they enjoyed another very entertaining game. It was also an opportunity to present the end-of-year awards with Rían Branagan and Gareth Ahearne scooping the Player of the Year gongs. Matthew Heery won the Player of the Tour award.

LSL Major 1 Promotion.

Massive congratulations to our Leinster Senior League Major 1A team who secured promotion to LSL Major 1.

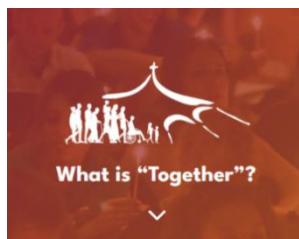




On Friday, 31 March 2023, the Continental Stage, that is, the second

stage of the synodal process, officially ended and with it the time of broad-based consultation of the People of God. The inclusion of a time to listen, dialogue and discern among the Churches of the same geographical area after the Local Stage (diocesan and national) represented a new

feature that was introduced by this synodal process. This new stage was not confined to the mere celebration of seven continental assemblies but was a real process of listening and discernment on a continental level. The question that formed the basis for these assemblies was the same and unique question of the synodal process as a whole, namely: How is our 'walking together' which enables the Church to proclaim the Gospel in accord with the mission entrusted to her, being achieved today at the different levels, from local to universal. The General Secretariat of the Synod expresses its heartfelt gratitude to all those who have engaged in this process with great seriousness and enthusiasm. The Continental Stage led to a greater awareness of the importance of walking together in the Church as a communion of communities, strengthening the dialogue between Particular Churches and the Universal Church. The conclusion of the consultation does not mean the end of the synodal process within the People of God; nor does it mean the interruption of the dialogue between the Universal Church and the Particular Church. Rather, it means leaving the local communities with the challenge of putting those "synodal reforms" into practice in the daily routine of their ecclesial action, in the knowledge that much of what has been discussed and identified so far at the local level does not require the discernment of the universal Church nor the intervention of the Magisterium of Peter.



Message from Pope Francis

On Sunday 15 January in Rome, Pope Francis announced that the work of the next assembly of the Synod of the Roman Catholic Church will be preceded by an ecumenical prayer vigil on Saturday 30 September on St Peter's Square, Rome:

"The path to Christian unity and the path of synodal conversion of the Church are linked. I would like to take this opportunity to announce that on Saturday 30 September, an ecumenical prayer vigil will be held on St. Peter's Square, with which we will entrust the work of the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. For the young people coming to the vigil, there will be a special programme throughout that weekend, entrusted to the Taizé community. As of now, I invite brothers and sisters of all Christian denominations to participate in this "Gathering of the People of God."

Young people aged between 18 and 35 from across Europe, from all Church backgrounds, are invited from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon and will be welcomed for a weekend of sharing, to journey together as the people of God.

Through baptism and the Scriptures, are we not sisters and brothers in Christ, united in a communion that is still imperfect but nevertheless real? Is it not Christ who calls us and opens a way for us to go forward with him as fellow travellers, together with those who live on the margins of our societies? On this journey, in a dialogue that reconciles, we want to remember that we need each other, not so that we might be stronger together but as a contribution to peace in the human family.

In gratitude for this growing sense of communion, we can find the momentum needed to meet today's challenges faced with the polarisations that fracture the human family and the cry of the earth. In encounter and mutual listening, let us walk together as the people of God.

Spend an
HOUR with
Jesus!

**Eucharistic Adoration has
moved to the Jubilee
Adoration Chapel in the
Church**



The new Admissions Policy for the 2024/25 intake can be viewed on the school website www.portmarnockcommunityschool.ie. We are publishing the new policy, which has been approved by all of our patrons as there are changes which will have

a bearing on which students are eligible for intake in the case of oversubscription.

The four areas of change are:

1. Changes to the categories for selection reflecting a growing population in Portmarnock.
2. Our new Autism Spectrum Disorder Class.
3. A paragraph inserted from the NCSE outlining their role in intervening on behalf of SEN applicants.
4. Gender-neutral language used throughout.

There is a new Admission Policy for the 2024/25 academic year of which the first six categories are as follows:

- ✚ Students whose primary residence is in Portmarnock and have siblings currently attending Portmarnock Community School
- ✚ Students whose primary residence is in Portmarnock.
- ✚ Students from St Marnock's NS and St Helen's SNS who select Portmarnock Community School as their choice on the CAPPS application form and have siblings currently attending Portmarnock Community School
- ✚ Students from St Marnock's NS and St Helen's SNS who select Portmarnock Community School as their choice on the CAPPS application form.
- ✚ Students with siblings currently attending Portmarnock Community School.
- ✚ Children of Portmarnock Community School daytime staff.

The reason for these changes is to accommodate as many students residing in Portmarnock as we can, which is in line with our ethos as a Community school. It will mean that a student's home address will now hold more significance than the CAPPS application, as CAPPS will no longer be relevant in categories one and two. No individual school is ranked in these categories.

Please contact me if you need any clarifications.

Regards D Clarke - Acting Principal.



PORTMARNOCK TIDY TOWNS

cleaning and litter picking in preparation for this year's Competition.

The entry form has already been submitted and judging will take place on a day between 1st June and end July early August. Results will then be announced in late September.

We are always on the lookout for new volunteers to join us. We meet every second Saturday at 10.00 am at two meeting points, the Kiosk by the beach and at the flower bed beside Jus De Vine. If interested, direct message or email tidytownsportmarnock@gmail.com for further details.

ADOPT A PATCH is a Fingal scheme that has worked successfully for individuals, families and groups who choose a public area to adopt and clean-up by collecting litter, maintaining flower beds or even painting walls. The Council will provide support in the form of hi-vis vests, litter pickers, gloves, bags and outdoor paint. They will collect the bags of litter after your clean up, unfortunately though, they cannot collect green waste.

www.fingal.ie/adopt-patch

BRING BANKS AT GROUNDS OF PSLC.



Unfortunately, there are ongoing issues in how the 'Bring Bank' site is being used. Illegal dumping of refuse including recyclable materials, empty boxes, bags etc... being left at the site continue to be a problem. Bring Banks are for bottles, cans and clothes only. No items of any other description should be left on the ground beside the Bring Banks. It is an offence under the Litter Pollution Act 1997-2009 (as amended). Offenders, if caught, could be liable to an on-the-spot fine of €150 or a maximum penalty of €3,000 in court.



Portmarnock Parish Padre Pio Devotion is held on the last Friday of every month. Rosary is recited at 7:15pm followed by Mass at 7:30 & Confession.



Portmarnock/Malahide Branch

Firstly, we would like to thank you for your kind donation in 2022, a total of €32,492 was raised by our branch. These funds allow us to change the lives of those visually impaired as well as the families of children with autism.

The branch is always actively looking for volunteers for the following areas:

- Fundraising and event hosting.
- Temporary overnight accommodation for working or training dogs.
- Delivering awareness talks to companies and schools.
- Apply to become a Puppy Raiser: train a puppy in basic obedience skills.

If interested in finding out more, you are invited to attend our next meeting details of which can be obtained by emailing: portmarnockmalahide@guidedogs.ie. We also meet on the first Tuesday of every month in the Parish Centre, Malahide Church at 1:30 pm if you like to drop in for a chat.

Changing Lives Together – www.guidedogs.ie

Meals on Wheels

The primary aim of Meals on Wheels is to develop a sense of security amongst those in the community that may feel isolated while recovering from a stay in hospital and facilitates a smooth and comfortable transition to return home.

Volunteers needed URGENTLY!

Benita: 087 679 8673



Children's Hour began almost 14 yrs. ago as a pilot scheme in the parish, with 8 kiddies calling it Children's Hour Around the Fireside as it was based on winter afternoons spent at home with the mum of one of the founder members. Anne Farrell, Cora McGreal and Geraldine Maloney were the core group initially, joined by Margaret Godwin the following year. Fr. Michael Comer, who was parish priest at the time, was a great supporter of the program.

As part of Children's Hour each child is given the opportunity to update the meeting with news, poems etc. to help build self-confidence. Also, we have the children learn Bible stories and play games or even do some arts and crafts, drama, songs and ultimately treats. All this happens during the hour. It runs during the school terms every Tuesday from 3.30 to 4.45 and is aimed at children between the ages of 8 and 12. There is a suggested donation of €3 to cover cost (no child is refused entry because of lack of funds).

The Irish Craft Circle

On the 3rd Saturday of each month

10am – 1pm

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In St Anne's Parish Centre

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Coffee Morning

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Fresh scones and tea coffee for €3.

All are welcome!

Rosary

Join in our daily Rosary in St. Anne's Church or via Webcam. Monday to Friday at 9:35 a.m.

Meditation in the JOHN MAIN Tradition

Restarting in the Shalom Room every Monday at 7:30PM.

All Welcome



Portmarnock Lions Club Annual Golf Classic

Annual fundraiser will be held in Malahide Golf Club

Friday, August 18th

€400 per team includes a meal.

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Portmarnock Parish Pilgrimage LOURDES 2023

5 Nights - Mon 11th to Sat 16th September.

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Spiritual Director: Canon John Flaherty

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As always, the Novena to the Sacred Heart forms the centrepiece of the June Messenger. Its current editor, Fr. Donal Neary SJ, produces an informative and lively current exploration of the spiritual and practical implications of devotion to the Sacred Heart. The issue also carries many thought-provoking articles relevant to living a Christian life in today's world. Some challenge the affront to the dignity that is the inalienable right of every human being – the practice of torture in some of our institutions, the impact on children of dysfunction within their families, the effects on mental health of discrimination against marginalised, indigenous and migrant peoples. Yet, as Brendan Hoban observes, there is also cause for pride in the response of some organisations, individuals and indeed our government to the plight of the needy and those fleeing war. Find out more at <https://www.messenger.ie>

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MORNING PRAYERS

FATHER IN HEAVEN, you love me, you're with me night and day. I want to love you always, in all I do and say.

I'll try to please you, Father, bless me through the day. Amen.

NIGHT PRAYERS

God our Father I come to say, thank you for your love today.

Thank you for my family and all the friends you give to me.

Guard me in the dark of night and in the morning send your light. Amen.



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A BIRD FLYING	A CLOUD THAT LOOKS LIKE AN ANIMAL
AN INSECT	THE PRETTIEST ROCK YOU CAN FIND
AN INTERESTING SMELL	A SPIDER'S WEB
SOMETHING GREEN	SOMETHING THAT STARTS WITH THE FIRST LETTER OF YOUR NAME

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1st-2nd July to Sunday to the 9th-10th September inclusive

Weekend	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
YELLOW WALLS	6.00pm	11.30am
PORTMARNOCK	6:30pm	12.00pm
KINSEALY		11.00am
MALAHIDE		8:30am -10:00am – 11:30am

SUMMER WEEKDAY MASS

These changes will be published shortly, please check the church's website for details

MALAHIDE	Mon-Sat Thur	10:00am Service of the Word only
YELLOW WALLS	Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri	9:30am
PORTMARNOCK	Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri	10:00am
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