

MONKSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mass Times: Weekdays (Mon – Fri) @ 10 AM Saturday, Vigil Mass @ 6 PM Sunday, 10:30 AM



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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23rd / 24th October 2026

NOTICES

MASS INTENTIONS

We remember in our prayer at mass this weekend the following whose anniversaries and month's mind occur at this time:

- **Jimmy Stevin (A)**
- **Michael King (A)**
- **Chris Hehir (A)**
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- **Joe Kelly (A)**
- **Kitty McEvoy (A)**
- **Henry Leonard (Month's Mind)**
- **Josephine Smith (A)**
- **Fidelma & Jerry Neville (A)**

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

The Monthly collection for our SVP Conference will take place this weekend.

Archdiocese of Dublin Employment Opportunities

The Archdiocese of Dublin is currently recruiting for three key roles. **A Twin Pillar Strategy & Mission Lead** will provide strategic leadership for a major renewal initiative centred on St Mary's Cathedral and St Andrew's, Westland Row, helping to foster outreach, welcome and engagement in the heart of the city. **A Faith Development Co-ordinator for Youth and Young Adult Ministries (Northside)** will support the growth of youth ministry, develop leadership programmes, and recruit and mentor new youth leaders. The role of **Post Primary Diocesan Advisor** involves supporting religious education in secondary schools and working closely with principals, teachers, chaplains and diocesan agencies. Further details are available on the diocesan website.

Thank You to Fr Kevin

With Fr Kevin's recent departure to his new appointment in Wicklow, we would like to offer parishioners an opportunity to express their gratitude for his seven and a half years of faithful service to our parish. Anyone wishing to contribute to a presentation for Fr Kevin can do so using the envelopes available at the back of the church. These may be placed in the collection boxes or returned to the Parish Office.

Altar List for the Dead

If you wish to have the names of your loved ones prayed for during November and on the First Friday of each month throughout the year, please write their names on the sheet provided on the table at the back of the church, and put in the envelope provided. You may wish to include a voluntary offering. These can be placed in the metal collection boxes or returned to the Parish Office.



Candlelit Liturgy of Remembrance

On Wednesday November 4th at 7 pm we will remember and pray for all those whose funerals have taken place here in St. Patrick's over the last year in a special Candlelit Liturgy of Remembrance. This special Candlelit liturgy is also open to all parishioners who would like to attend, and light a special votive candle in memory of their loved ones.

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Exodus 22:20-26 & Matthew 22:34-40.

Living the Commandment of Love

This Sunday's readings bring us to the very heart of God's law. In the first reading from Exodus, God reminds His people that genuine faith is expressed not only in prayer and worship but also in the way we treat others, especially those who are vulnerable.

The Israelites are instructed not to oppress the stranger, exploit the poor, or neglect those in need. Having experienced hardship themselves, they are called to show compassion, justice and mercy to others.

In the Gospel, Jesus is asked which commandment is the greatest. His answer unites the whole of God's law into two inseparable commands: to love God with all our heart, soul and mind, and to love our neighbour as ourselves. Love of God and love of neighbour are not separate duties but two dimensions of the one Christian calling.

These readings challenge us to examine how our faith is lived in everyday life. It is easy to profess belief in God; it is often more demanding to show patience, kindness and understanding to those around us.

Jesus reminds us that the measure of our love for God is reflected in the care, respect and compassion we show to others. In loving our neighbour, we reveal the presence of God's love in our world.

Deacon Eric

PARTNERSHIP PARISHES MASS TIMES

KILL O' THE GRANGE
(Holy Family)
Mon – Sat @ 10 am
Sat Vigil 5 pm Sun 10 & 12
Web: www.holyfamilyparish.ie

BLACKROCK
(St. John the Baptist)
Mon – Fri @ 1:05 pm
Sat Vigil 6:30 pm Sun 10 & 12
Web: www.sjb.ie

NEWTOWNPARK
(Guardian Angels)
Mon – Sat @ 10 am
Sun 9:30 11 am
www.newtownparkparish.com

FOXROCK
(Our Lady of Perpetual Succor)
Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri @ 10 am
Sat Vigil 6 pm Sun 10 & 11:30
Web: www.foxrockparish.ie