



CURRENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:

Mass at 10am *preceded by the Rosary at 9.30am*, Church closes at 5pm

Monday: Area Mass at 7.30pm *preceded by Rosary and Novena at 7pm*

Wednesday: Liturgy of the Word at 10am

Saturday: Church opens at 10am

Vigil Mass at 6pm

Sunday Mass at 10.30am

1st Saturday of the month – 10am Mass followed by confessions.

Last Tuesday of the month

Prayer Group Mass at 8pm, all welcome

Bank Holiday: Mass 11am only, no evening mass

All services available on

www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam

Also on Phoenix Radio– 92.5FM

Eucharistic Adoration: Tue & Fri 10.30am-5pm

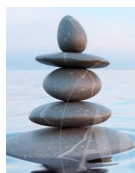
Blanchardstown Area evening Mass 7.30pm

Mon: Blanchardstown

Tues & Thurs: Castleknock

Wed: Mulhuddart

Fri: Corduff



A reason to love God is that He seeks our friendship. This is really true. God wants you to be His friend and already He is yours. To have a true friend is a fine blessing and when that

friend is God, it is priceless! It gives you harmony of soul, likeness of mind, closeness to your Maker. This is a major reason. It is a friendship resilient and strong. Nothing can sink it.

90,000 Reasons to Love God
Fr Adrian Crowley

A Time to Reflect and to Embrace the Rosary

As winter comes along, we are reminded of the changing seasons around us and how they mirror the journey of our spiritual lives. Autumn is a time of reflection, of harvest, and of gratitude. The crisp air and the vibrant colours invite us to pause and reflect on the blessings that God has bestowed upon us throughout the year. *(Please note the decoration of our altar space here in St Brigid's.)*

October is traditionally dedicated to the Rosary, and last month was a special time for us to reflect on its power and significance in our lives.

The Rosary is not just a set of prayers; it is a spiritual tool that allows us to meditate on the life of Christ through the eyes of His Blessed Mother, Mary. Each Hail Mary, each decade, helps us enter more deeply into the mysteries of our salvation—Christ's Incarnation, Life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection. It is a way of keeping the Lord's presence close in our hearts, uniting our joys and sorrows with His.

As Catholics, the Rosary is important because it serves as a bridge between Heaven and Earth. It brings peace to our hearts and homes, strengthens us in times of trial, and draws us closer to Our Blessed Mother, who always leads us to her Son, Jesus. Through the Rosary, we ask for Mary's intercession, knowing she watches over us as our loving Mother.

If you haven't had the chance yet this month, I encourage you to take some time to pray the Rosary, whether alone or with your loved ones. Let it be a moment of quiet reflection, a chance to reconnect with God and experience His grace in your life.

May the peace of Christ be with you and your families, and may Our Lady of the Rosary continue to bless and protect you always.

Deacon Don Devaney (Spiritual Director of Radio Maria Ireland)



Saints in the Church's Calendar

St. Laurence O'Toole, bishop, patron of Dublin – Thursday 14th November, born in Castledermot in 1128. Became abbot of Glendalough in 1148 and in 1162 became the first native Archbishop of Dublin. He lived simply and returned to Glendalough every Lent. He worked for peace and reconciliation and died in Eu in Normandy in 1180 on a mission of mediation with King Henry II and the Irish rulers. **THIS IS THE DIOCESAN FEAST DAY.**

Share Appeal Sunday

Today is Share Appeal Sunday; to remind us of the importance of this "Second" Collection to fund projects in the poorer parishes of the diocese. There is a booklet available in the Church giving more details.



Teen Hope—is for teenagers to gather in a safe space, to enjoy the chat, the time for prayer and exploring their faith, the craic and the pizza! **Next meeting is on November 15th.**



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**Job announcement—
 Pastoral Coordinator**

The Parish is seeking to hire a part-time Pastoral Coordinator. The primary focus is on sacramental preparation with the schools, but the role can include all aspects of faith development in the parish, be it for children, youth or adults. For further information please contact Jean in the office.

Croi Mháire Foodbank

delivers food parcels to 65-70 households every two weeks. Please place non perishable foods in the basket on the altar.

Children's Corner: In the Gospel Today:

Jesus watches people donating money. Some rich people give lots of money, but a poor widow gives just two coins. Jesus says she has given the most because she has been generous and given all that she has.

BE GENEROUS!

Help out

Jacob's mum is very busy. Jacob wants to help.

Circle the ways that he can be very generous with his time and help his mum.

put the shopping away
 watch TV
 tidying up
 stay on the laptop



Share with family and friends

A PRAYER TO SAY
 Teach me Jesus, to be generous, so that other people may enjoy some of the many gifts you have given me. Amen



Mass of Remembrance

On Thursday 21st November at 7.30pm, the Parish will celebrate its Annual Mass to remember and pray for all parishioners and friends who died during the past year.

During this Mass, each person will be remembered by name. If you have a relative or friend who died this year outside the parish and would like them to be remembered, please give their name in to the sacristy or office.

All are very welcome, especially family and friends.



Confirmation Enrolment Mass

took place on Thursday last (7 Nov). There was a great turnout of candidates, and their parents/guardians, who promised to work hard on their preparations for their Confirmation later in this academic year.



St. Vincent de Paul

The outdoor monthly collection for St. Brigid's Blanchardstown, St Vincent de Paul, will be taken up THIS weekend at both masses.

Sunday Mass Collections

Many thanks for your continued generosity; these collections are vital for the support of the priests of the diocese (Common Fund) and other diocesan projects (Share).

You can contribute to the collections by:

- Putting offerings in the 'white boxes' in the Church
- By leaving your Envelope into Parish Office during the week. *(Envelopes are in the church or you can have a supply to take home for convenience).*
- Using the 'Tap and Go' machines.
- Using the online 'Donate' facility on the Website www.blanchardstownparish.ie where you can select both one-off and recurring payments.

Combined donations (eg in a single envelope) are split – 60% to the '1st Collection' (the Common Fund for Priests); 40% to the '2nd Collection' (usually Share).

Thank you so much for your generosity

St Brigid's Prayer Group meet every Tuesday in the Church extension at 8pm. All are welcome.
 The Meditation Group meet on Wednesdays in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm.
 Baptism meeting for the parents of those to be baptised in December will be on November 20th at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre.



What is Prayer?

Adult discussion group will run for 4 weeks— Wed 27 Nov to Wed .18 Dec. Details to follow.

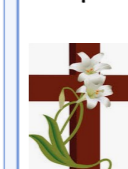
Altar List of the Dead

Forms & envelopes are now available in the Church. There is still time to submit new lists which will be added to those already placed in front of the altar for the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls. Mass on the First Friday of each month will be offered for the names on the Altar List of the Dead. Please hand completed lists into the Sacristy or the Parish Office.

Mass intentions for the week

Sat	Seamus O'Neill MM, Aileen Smith, Marie Tone, Brigid & Michael Scallon, Bernadette McNamee
Sun	Paddy Colton MM, Andy Eddery, Terese Olahnovic, Pat & Mary Kate O'Reilly, Joseph Fox & Family,

We pray for our recently deceased



John Brennan,
 Mick Cody
 Donal Tully
 Peg Leogue
 Always loved, never forgotten.