



Church of the Holy Child  
The Thatch Road, Whitehall,  
Dublin 9

# PARISH of LARKHILL WHITEHALL & SANTRY

Parish Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025



Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball  
Oak Park Avenue,  
Santry, Dublin 9



## CHURCH OF THE HOLY CHILD

### MASSSES

**Monday to Friday:** 9:15am  
**Saturday:** 7:00pm  
**Bank Holidays:** 10:00am  
**Sunday** at 10:30am & 12:30 pm  
*All Masses will be broadcast live on the Webcam*

### CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated after the 7pm Saturday Mass or on request.

### CHURCH OPENING TIMES

**Mon to Fri:** 08:45am - 12:00pm  
**Saturday:** 6:30pm until after Mass  
**Sunday:** 10:00am until after 12:30pm Mass

### BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on Saturdays at 12pm. This can be arranged by appointment with the Parish Office at least one month in advance of the Baptism.

### ADORATION

Monday to Friday from 9.45am to 11.45am in the Oratory.



## CHAPEL OF BLESSED MARGARET BALL

### MASSSES

**Sunday:** 10:00am  
**Wednesday:** 10:00am

### BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on Saturdays at 12pm. This can be arranged by appointment with the Parish Office at least one month in advance of the Baptism.

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### COLLECTIONS FOR 7<sup>TH</sup> DEC

First Collection: **€1,985**  
Share Collection: **€1,230**  
Family Envelope: **€1,470.40**  
Up-Keep Fund: **€315**

*Thanks to all who support our collections.*

### PARISH UPKEEP FUND

Envelopes for the Parish Upkeep Fund will continue to be available in the Church and Parish Centre.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*“Let us prepare for the coming of our Lord with hearts full of joy and thanksgiving.” (St. Jerome)*



### MASS INTENTIONS (FROM SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER TO SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2025)

Saturday 7pm	Bernadette Howard Bridget Wilson Maureen Holt The Flanagan, Connolly, Sheridan & Keavney families George Casey & Joan Casey Johnny Casey Peg Lacey Joanne Sheehan Edward Beades	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary 6 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Anniversaries Anniversaries Special Remembrance 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Sunday 10:30am	Matthew Carolan & Paul Carolan Philomena Gray Gary Emmet Gerry McCarthy Eileen Fynes Michael & Catherine McLaughlin	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary 13 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary
Sunday 12.30pm	Available for Intention Available for Intention Available for Intention Mary Fogarty Carmel Rogan Tom Heffernan Daisy Heffernan James McKenny Jack Coy Josephine Coy also remember their daughter Suzanne who died this year Jimmy O'Neill Myles & Elizabeth Goggins Michael Murphy Anne Madden John Kenny also remembering his wife Eileen Jim & Sheila Hynes Maria Anderkova King Helen McGeough John Killeen Annie Gibbons Sean O'Reilly	Birthday Remembrance Anniversary Anniversary Birthday Remembrance 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary 12 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary  11 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Anniversary 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary Month's Mind 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary 13 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary 22 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
Sunday 7pm	Available for Intention Available for Intention Available for Intention Maura Barry	5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Sunday 10.30am	Dominic Besagni Victor Ferrari Patrick Caul Kathleen & Jackie Timmons Martha & Joseph Carrigan	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary 33 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary
Sunday 12.30pm		
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10am		
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10am		
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec 10am		

### CHAPEL OF BLESSED MARGARET BALL

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones who have died in the peace of Christ:



Kenneth Mahon Monica (Mona) Leech Eileen Brennan  
Charlotte Stewart Pauline Keegan Anne O'Meara  
Josie Brierton Alice Lally  
May They rest in peace and rise in glory



### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES



### HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

For the attention of parents of children attending primary schools or have yet to start.

The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025. The survey can be accessed at:

[www.gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey/](http://www.gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey/) (closes Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Dec)

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ANNUAL APPEAL

The Annual Appeal will take place at Masses this **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**. It will replace the second collection. It is your generosity that allows us to help the many families in need in our parish. Thank you in advance for your support.

If you or your family need assistance, our Parish Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul is here to help. Contact the East Region helpline: 01-8550022.

### LOW-GLUTEN HOST

For Holy Communion at each Mass, the priest-celebrant will have a ciborium containing a special section with hosts suitable for communicants with a coeliac condition. There is no need to queue separately - please just indicate to the priest that you wish to receive a reduced-gluten host.

### THANK YOU

Viatores Christi would like to convey their heartfelt gratitude to parishioners for the substantial contribution of **€1,229.20** to VC, this will be a big help in their work with partner projects in some of the poorest communities of our world.



*If you would like to submit something for inclusion in the newsletter, please contact the Parish Office.*

### CHURCH SHOP

Why not pop by the Church Shop and browse a great selection of Christmas Cards, Cribs, Seasonal Gifts, Calendars & Diaries. The shop is open weekdays and weekends after each Mass.

### FAMILY OFFERING ENVELOPES

The Family Offering envelopes for 2026 are now ready for collection in the Parish Centre. If you do not normally donate to the Parish via the weekly family offering system and would like to begin, please contact the office and we would be happy to provide you with envelopes for 2026. The Parish is dependent on the Family Offering for its operational expenses and we renew our gratitude to those whose generosity make it possible for us to open our doors every day.

### BLUE MASS COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Did you know that the Parish may be able to claim tax back on the amount given to Sunday Mass collections? For example, if you contribute €10 to the collections on Sunday and place that amount in one of the blue envelopes with your name and address or envelope number, and if as a taxpayer you complete a CHY form, €6 would go to the First Collection, €4 to the Second Collection and an extra €4.50 can be claimed back from tax for the Parish at no cost to you? Thank you to all who avail of this facility to support our parish.

### CHRISTMAS DUES

The Christmas Dues Envelopes are now available and can be collected from The Parish Office Monday to Friday from 9am to 1pm. They are also available for collection within the Church.

### PARISH CENTRE CLASSES



**Pilates Classes** have now paused for Christmas Break and will return in January



### Crochet Classes

have now paused for Christmas Break and will return in January

### Arthritis Ireland Adapted

exercise class is on each Tuesday at 10am. For more information contact 0818 252 846



Dublin City sponsored **Exercise Class** takes place each Wednesday from 11.30am-12.30pm in The Parish Centre. All Welcome.



## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



### Wednesday 24th December Christmas Eve

9:15am Church of the Holy Child  
10am Church of the Nativity

### 24th December Vigil Masses of Christmas

6pm Church of the Nativity  
6.30pm Blessed Margaret Ball  
7pm Church of the Holy Child  
9pm Church of the Nativity  
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### Thursday 25th December Christmas Day

10am Church of the Nativity  
10am Blessed Margaret Ball  
10:30am Church of the Holy Child  
11:30am Church of the Nativity  
12pm Church of the Holy Child

### St. Stephen's Day 26th December

10am Church of the Holy Child  
11am Church of the Nativity

### Saturday 27th December

11am Church of the Nativity  
6pm Church of the Nativity  
7pm Church of the Holy Child

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December (as normal)

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> December until normal schedule resumes on the 3rd Jan

10am Church of the Holy Child  
11am Church of the Nativity  
(No Wednesday Mass in the Chapel of Bl. Margaret Ball)



### CONFESSIONS



### Monday 15th December

7pm - Advent Penitential Service for our Parish Partnership with individual confessions in St. Luke the Evangelist Church, Kilmore

### Wednesday 24th December Christmas Eve

After 9:15am Mass - Church of the Holy Child  
After 10am Mass - Church of the Nativity of Our Lord

### Saturday 27th December

After 11am Mass - Church of the Nativity of Our Lord

*“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us”*