HOLY CHILD NATIVITY PARISHES

BEAUMONT | LARKHILL | WHITEHALL | SANTRY

SUNDAY 8 NOV '26

Year A | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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FROM DEACON DAMIAN MURRAY

Keeping Our Lamps Alight at Holy Child Nativity Parishes

We began November by celebrating the Communion of Saints (1st Nov) and praying tenderly for our faithful departed on All Souls' Day (2nd Nov). These twin feasts powerfully remind us of the final end of our Christian life: to be united forever with God in heaven.

This thread of eternal hope wound its way beautifully through the remembrance service we celebrated together in Whitehall church on Monday evening. It was deeply moving as we lit 163 candles, each representing a parishioner who passed away over the last year across our Holy Child and Nativity parishes. Watching those flames flicker in the sacred stillness was a profound moment of pastoral comfort, reminding us that our earthly pilgrimage is intimately connected to those who have gone before us.

This Sunday's readings pick up this theme, guiding our hearts toward eternity. In our First Reading, the Book of Wisdom tells us that divine wisdom is



"resplendent and unfading." This wisdom is the spiritual sight we need to navigate our grief, keeping our eyes fixed firmly on heaven.

St Paul echoes this comfort to the Thessalonians, assuring us that death does not have the final word. Because Christ rose, we live in the certain hope of the resurrection. Our final destiny is to be reunited with the Lord and with those 163 beautiful souls we remembered so deeply this week.

Reaching this heavenly goal, however, requires active preparation. In the Gospel, Jesus warns us through the Parable of the Ten Virgins to keep our lamps lit. The oil of faith, prayer, and quiet charity must be nurtured daily in our hearts. May we keep our lamps trimmed, trusting that the love we shared on Monday evening is just a foretaste of our eternal home.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11 NOV	**Wed 7.30pm** Bethany Bereavement Support Group
14 NOV	**Sat & Sun** Vincentian Lay Missionaries collection, Holy Child
21 NOV	**Sat 10.30am** Carmelite Open Day, Avila Retreat Centre
25 NOV	**Wed 7.30pm** Bethany Bereavement Support Group
29 NOV	**Sun 10am - 2.30pm** Joint Christmas Fair, Beaumont Parish Centre
8 DEC	**Tue 8am** Pilgrimage to Knock, coach from Whitehall

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you; all things pass away; God never changes."

St Teresa of Ávila

TO PONDER THIS WEEK

The wise bridesmaids kept their lamps burning through the long night. What fills my lamp (prayer, Mass, kindness) so I am ready when Christ comes?

BEAUMONT LOTTO

Draw Every Thursday

CURRENT JACKPOT

€2,000

SCAN HERE TO PLAY

THANK YOU FROM MISSIO IRELAND

We at Missio Ireland extend our thanks to the parishioners of Beaumont Parish and of Larkhill, Whitehall & Santry Parish for their generosity on Mission Sunday. The following amounts have been received, for which we are very grateful:

Beaumont: €1,825.05

Larkhill, Whitehall & Santry: €1,490

The support of each parishioner who donated to this worthy cause is very much appreciated.



KEEP YOUR LAMPS BURNING

"So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour."

Matthew 25:13

HYMNS

10.30am Mass, ***Church of the Holy Child, Whitehall*** *opening hymn no.66, offertory hymn no.16*

Praying together

Mass intentions · 7th Nov to 15th Nov 2026



CHURCH OF THE HOLY CHILD

Sat 7pm Seamus Manning (RD) / Michael Hester (MM) Meaghan O'Connor (1A) / Sean Hayes (2A) Carmel Craddock (6A) / Eamonn Hughes (6A) Elizabeth Gibbs (10A) / Greg O'Toole (13A) Esther Kavanagh (20A) / Nora O'Hanlon (BR)

Sun 10.30am Patrick Lavelle (6A) / John Walsh (11A) Giuseppina Rozza (19A)

Sun 12.30pm Catherine Kearns (MM) / Catherine Connolly (20A) Joe Briscoe (45A) / Hugh Kelly (A)

Mon 9.15am *Available for Intention*

Tues 9.15am Margaret Dondall (A) also remembering her husband Harry & deceased members of the Dondall family / Pertolino Martins (RIP)

Wed 9.15am John Towell (BR)

Thur 9.15am *Available for Intention*

Fri 9.15am Mária Anderková King (1A) / May O'Toole (A)

Sat 7pm *Available for Intention*

Sun 10.30am Michael Redmond (2A) / Gabriel (Gay) Burke (5A)

Sun 12.30pm Eithne Murphy (MM) / William (Billy) & Marie Fenelon (A) / Michael (Martin) Lawlor & his sons Michael & baby Philip & grandaughter baby Courtney (Rem) / Robert Power (BR)

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Sat 6pm Mary Hanlon (MM) Patrick Lenihan (A) & the deceased members of the Lenihan family / Mary Casey (A) Maeve & Brendan O'Malley (A) Seamus Murphy (7A) / Frank O'Shea (2A) Paddy Kelly (1A) / Bridget, Francis & Martin Turbitt (A's) / Olivia Smyth (RD)

Sun 10am Margaret Kelly (BR) / Bridget M. Byrne (48A) Thomas & Bridie Boland (A) Micko & Aggie Boland (A) / Olivia Smyth (RD)

Sun 12 Noon Anne Nolan (MM) / Patrick Cusack (21A) Des O'Connell (A) / Pat Bulman (3A) Eileen McCabe (38A) / Laura McCabe (20A) Liam Kennedy (22A) / Evelyn Kennedy (6A) Paul Flanagan (12A)

Mon 10am *Available for Intention*

Tue 10am Barbara Garvin & Mat Murray (A) / Garvin & Murray Families (Rem) / Sarah & Jack Kinsella (A)

Wed-Fri 10am *Available for Intention*

Sat 10am Aleena Joseph (Birthday Thanksgiving)

Sat 6pm Carmel & Dan Lehane (7A)

Sun 10am D'arcy & O'Brien Families (A)

Sun 12 Noon Helen O'Carroll (5A) / David O'Carroll (21A)

A: Anniversary MM: Month's Mind
BR: Birthday Remembrance RD: Recently Deceased

CHAPEL OF BLESSED MARGARET BALL

Sun 10am Jim Hayden (A) / Charles E. Maguire (A) Breda Maguire (A)

Wed 10am *Available for Intention*

Sun 10am Peter McGorman (16A) also remembering his wife Mary Josephine

"He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness."
REVELATION 21:4

WE REMEMBER

Your prayers have been requested for those who have been called to God this week

† Mary Farrell
† Catherine Dingle
† Hilary Garrett
† Alice Murray



COLLECTIONS 1ST NOVEMBER 2026

	Whitehall & Santry	Beaumont
First	€2,028	€1,181.10
Share	€830	€750.40
Envelope	€868.10	€1,240.60
Upkeep	€235	€0

Thank you for your continued generosity

BAPTISMS

Henley O'Neill
Nina O'Loughlin
Ciara Thornton



Congratulations and welcome into our parishes

This week in our parish

MON 9

9.45am - 11.45am
Adoration, Oratory W
8pm - 10pm
Charismatic Prayer Group B
1.30pm - 2.20pm
Pastoral Cafe B
2.30pm - 4.30pm
WARA Meeting W
7pm
Crochet Class B
7.30pm - 9pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal W

TUE 10

9.45am - 11.45am
Adoration, Oratory W
3pm - 5pm
Beaumont Active Retirement Association
5pm
Irish Dancing B
6.30pm - 8.30pm
Adoration B
7pm - 8pm
Zumba B

WED 11

9.15am
Pilates W
9.45am - 11.45am
Adoration, Oratory W
11.30am - 12.30pm
Exercise Class W
11.30am - 1pm
Crochet W
7pm
Crochet Class B
7.30pm
Pilates W
8pm
Ardrose Ladies Club

THU 12

9.30am - 11.30am
Whitehall Coffee Shop
9.45am - 11.45am
Adoration, Oratory W
11.45am - 12.45pm
COPD Exercise Class W
6pm - 7pm
Tai Chi W
6.30pm - 8.30pm
Adoration B

FRI 13

9.45am - 11.45am
Adoration, Oratory W
1.30pm - 2.20pm
Pastoral Cafe B
1pm - 5pm
Bridge W
1.30pm - 2.30pm
Drama Classes for kids B
2.30pm - 3.30pm
Drama Classes for kids B
3pm
Divine Mercy Prayer Group B

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Rooms are available to book through the parish office

Parish Notices

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK



Pilgrimage to Knock **Tuesday the 8th of December** on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception to pray for our Lady's intercession as we pray for peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our country and in the world. Coach From Whitehall Church at 8am. For more Information contact *Marie McAllister 086 3990998.*

CARMELITE OPEN DAY

Are you a man or woman aged 18–40 who would like some time for prayer and reflection? The Carmelite Friars and Nuns are holding an Open Day of Prayer, Reflection and Sharing on **Saturday 21st November 2026, from 10.30am to 4.30pm**, at the Avila Retreat Centre, Donnybrook, Dublin D04 YF66.
Everyone is welcome to come and spend the day with the Carmelite community. There is no charge, and a light lunch is provided.
Please register by Sunday 15th November by emailing **opendayavila@gmail.com**. For more information, **www.carmelites.ie** (Nuns) and **www.ocd.ie** (Friars).

BEAUMONT PARISH LOTTO

Congratulations to Jackie Newman who was our weekly winner of our Lotto on the 29th October 2026.
Join now at: **www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/beaumontparish**

CARE FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

If you know somebody in the Parish who would like to receive a visit from a priest for Confession, Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office.

VINCENTIAN LAY MISSIONARIES

There will be a collection by Vincentian Lay Missionaries **next weekend the 14th and 15th November** in Church of the Holy Child. VLM are a lay volunteer who sends charity and works in the area of development aid in Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, and Tanzania."

WHITEHALL CHURCH SHOP

Call in and see our new Christmas items including cribs, cards and ornaments. We have children's cribs, colouring books and Advent calendars. The Irish Catholic newspaper is on sale. Shop open weekdays and weekends before and after each Mass.

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group takes place on ***Wed, 11th Nov & 25th Nov, from 7:30 to 9:00pm in the Church of the Holy Child, Whitehall, Parish Centre.*** The group provides a welcoming space to share your bereavement journey or to listen to others' experiences.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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.

SHARE APPEAL 2026

This year's Share Appeal takes place this weekend, the 7th and 8th November. See poster below.





The Word of the Lord

Readings for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



FIRST READING — Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for her

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM — Psalm 62(63)

℟ *:For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.*

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. ℟

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. ℟

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. ℟

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. ℟

SECOND READING — 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Do not grieve about those who have died in Jesus

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL — Matthew 25:1-13

The wise and foolish virgins

Jesus told this parable to his disciples:
'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

PROFESSION OF FAITH — The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(all bow during the next three lines)* and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CHILD, WHITEHALL

Mon - Fri	9.15am
Sat	7pm
Sun	10:30am & 12.30pm
Bank Hol	10:00am

Masses are broadcast daily by webcam

OPEN

Mon - Fri	08:45 - 12:00
Sat	18:30 - 20:00
Sun	10:00 - 13:30

CONFESSIONS

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

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, BEAUMONT

Mon - Fri	10am
Sat	10am & 6pm
Sun	10am & 12 noon
Bank Hol	11am

10am Mass is broadcast by webcam

OPEN

Mon - Fri	09.30 - 13:00
Sat	09:30 - 19:00
Sun	09:30 - 16:00

CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated after the 10am and 6pm Masses on Saturdays and on request.

CHAPEL OF THE BLESSED MARGARET BALL, SANTRY

Wed	10am
Sun	10am

BAPTISMS

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



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