

FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA:

St. Mochta's Parish is hosting a Festive Afternoon Tea in our Pastoral Centre on **Saturday 3rd December** beginning with **Mass at 12 noon**. There are **only 60 tickets** available at **€10 each**. Tickets are on sale from the Sacristy after any Mass or from the Parish Centre.



CHRISTMAS WARMTH Concert:

On **Sunday 18th December at 4pm** a Christmas Concert will take place in St. Mochta's Church featuring our own **Church Choir** and **Mary Flynn and Friends** combining what in previous years was our "Carol Service" and "Songs for a Winter's Evening". As well as the warm 'glow' provided by the music and song of these combined talents on the day, the proceeds will be used to provide a warm glow from the **church heating** over the Christmas Season. Please come along and enjoy the afternoon which will include refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards. **Tickets €10 per adult. Family Ticket €20**



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:

The **Parish Christmas Draw** will take place on **Sun. 18th Dec. after our Concert** in the Parish Centre. Tickets €5 each or 3 for €10 are on sale from the Sacristy after any mass or from the Parish Office. Our main prizes are a **fabulous Homemade Christmas Cake**, a **Family Day Pass to Dublin ZOO** and many more. We will hold a childrens draw on the day too. All Proceeds will go towards **heating the Church** over the Christmas season. Thank you.



WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE:

Tuesdays: TODDLER Group from 10am to 12noon. **ALSO SANTA** will pay a visit on **Tues. 13th December at 10.30am**. Please email [Mary](mailto:maryoriordan@hotmail.com) for more information. maryoriordan@hotmail.com for info.

Tuesdays: Yoga with Jakki from 8pm.
Wednesdays: Yoga with Jakki from 9.45am.
Wednesdays: Toastmasters from 7.45pm on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month.

THE PARISH OFFICE: The Parish Office is open **Monday to Friday from 10.30am to 1pm**. You can also email secretary@stmochtasparish.ie with your query and June will get back to you as soon as possible.

"Week of Witness" takes place from the **20th to the 26th November**. Dublin 15—**Stop the Persecution of Christians**. Please see the poster.

KIDS CORNER:

Having listened to the readings, please answer the following:

1. What did the leaders say to Jesus?
2. What did the criminal say to Jesus?
3. Why do we call Jesus our King?
4. How can we serve Him?



TASK FOR THE WEEK: Today is the feast of Christ the King. We are saying that Jesus Christ is the most important person in our lives. We show our love for him by saying our prayers each day and by trying to be good to others in how we speak and behave.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NATIONAL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL WILL TAKE PLACE ON SAT. 10TH & SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER, 2022



AT ALL MASSES. If you would like to donate to VDP please use one of the blue envelopes at the back of the church and place it in the safe on the back wall. **Alternatively** you can donate via Bank Transfer. **BIC Code: IPBSI E2D; IBAN Code: IE58IPBS99061180000992.** St. Mochta's Conference appreciates the ongoing generosity and support received from their donors. **ALSO we need volunteers.** www.svp.ie

ALONE manage a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties. The support line is open seven days a week, **8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.**

JIGSAW Offering younger people going through a hard time in life. <https://www.jigsaw.ie/news-and-events/post/covid-19-what-were-doing>
www.jigsaw.ie

CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

on **Thursday 1st December** from 7pm to 9pm in **St. Mochta's Parish Centre**. Cost €70.



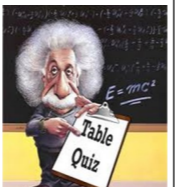
. All materials will be provided. For info. please contact **Jean Martin Floristry** via email jeanmartinflorist@gmail.com or 0851222956.

MOUNTVIEW CHRISTMAS FAIR (D15VK59) on **Saturday 26th Nov** from 10am to 7pm and **Sunday 27th November** from 10am to 1pm. Crafts, Gifts, Decorations, etc. **All proceeds raised go to Mary's Meals.**



STRAWBERRY BEDS COMMUNITY QUIZ

IN THE WREN'S NEST on the first Wednesday of the month. Looking forward to seeing you all on **Wed. 7th December** at 8.30pm sharp for our **CHRISTMAS QUIZ**. All welcome.



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PARISH NEWSLETTER 20TH NOVEMBER 2022—FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

"St. Mochta's is a young and developing faith community, which is conscious of its proud and ancient history, and seeks to be a welcoming and spirited Parish in the service of the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

(Parish Mission Statement)

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FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING



Thanks be to God, who has taken us out of the power of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we gain our freedom, and the forgiveness of our sins.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



34TH SUNDAY—FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

6.00pm: Catherine & Patrick Ward (Anniv.)
11.00am: Christy McCann (3rd Aniv.)
Ettie Drumm (1st Anniv.)
Anne Drumm M/M

EXPOSITION 7pm—8pm

Monday: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00am Mary and Johanna Luddy (Anniv.)

Wednesday St. Columban

10.00am: Service

Friday: St. Catherine, St. Clement I & St. Colman

10.00am: Royal Canal Commemoration Mass 1845
15 Lives Lost

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6.00pm: Tony and Claire O'Neill (Anniv.)
Patrick Lalor (Anniv.)
Kathleen O'Leary (Anniv.)
11.00am: Áine Chawke (Anniv.)
Christy Hughes (11th Anniv.)

EXPOSITION 7pm—8pm

THE BUILDING HOPE PRAYER

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.

**You constantly journey with us
even in our darkness and doubts.**

We seek your way of loving kindness

To walk together as one family.

**Open our eyes to recognise you
in the faces of one another,**

in the breaking of bread

and in the splendour of creation.

**May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope
and new life deep within us.**

**May our hearts and minds be filled
with your Word,**

bringing forth truth, justice and peace.

**May the Holy Spirit working in
and through us do much more**

**than we can dare to imagine
as we live out our baptismal calling
in humble and loving service.**

**We make this our prayer
through Christ Our Lord.**

Amen.

**Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.
St. Laurence O'Toole, pray for us.**

St. Kevin, pray for us.

St. Brigid, pray for us.

St. Mochta, pray for us.

Building Hope

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are a new parishioner or just visiting St. Mochta's you are very welcome and we, the existing community, hope you feel at home. If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to Fr. Paul. We would also be grateful if you could fill out a **Registration Form** in order to register with the parish. They are available at the back of the Church.

ARE YOU REGISTERED? If you have not registered with the parish please fill out one of the forms at the back of the church and return it to the Sacristy or put it through the Parish Office letterbox. Thank you.



SCRIPTURE READING: Each week we suggest a piece of Scripture to use in your prayer. Light a candle and read slowly the passage, re-read it a couple of times and reflect on it and listen to what God is saying to you. **This week's is Mt 24:37-44.**

Please pray for Fr. Paul, Lucy, Eve, Rui, Freddie, Willie, Geraldine, Kevin, Mary P, Sean, Sylvia, Majella, Ann, Fiona, Joan, Brigid, Liz, Christine, Carol, M, Suzanne, Pat, Michael, Sinead, Baby Theo and all those who are sick or housebound at this time.



MASS INTENTIONS: To arrange an anniversary Mass or Special Intention email sacristan@stmochtasparrish.ie with all the details. Mary Stacey our Sacristan will get back to you as soon as she can. Early booking is recommended.



EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT takes place each Sunday evening from **7pm—8pm in the Church.** It gives us an opportunity to spend some quiet time with the Lord. **All very welcome.**



BETHANY BEREAVEMENT GROUP: The Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group will hold the November Group monthly meeting for the Bereaved at **7.30pm** in the Parish Pastoral Centre on **Monday, 28th November.** This is a strictly confidential service. Bethany members are also available to meet privately with anyone who has been bereaved either recently or in the past by appointment. Contact 086 2479216 or the Parish Office 01 8213218.



CHRIST THE KING: 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it,' answered Jesus. 'Yes I am a king ...' (Gospel) This feast was instituted in the days of Fascism and Communism as a reminder of a higher power. Today the word 'king' is almost a non-word. Pilate is puzzled by Jesus because he thinks of kingship in terms of earthly, political power, and here was Jesus heading for crucifixion. The kingship of Jesus is concerned with power, but not concerning possessions, political or managerial power, the crushing power of some New Age advocates, nor that of the occult. Jesus' power is concerned with truth, love and compassion. Nothing can change a person as much as love, knowing that you are loved and loving in return. This Sunday brings us to the end of the liturgical year. We have travelled a long road since the 1st Sunday of Advent. Christ has been on the road with us as the invisible companion on our journey. Let us hope that during it we have grown to know him better, to trust him better, and to love him better.



CELEBRATING ADVENT: The season of Advent which we begin next week is an endangered liturgical season. In our modern Irish society there is no Advent. There are only so many days to Christmas. None of us are immune to the pressures and stresses to make the impossibly perfect Christmas cake or tree or party or find the perfect gift. It is however too easy to throw cheap shots at the materialism of the commercial world of which, of course, we are all a part. It has become a cliché to describe the shopping centres as the new cathedrals, and shopping as the new religion. There is some truth in it: no doubt we need to look a little deeper. If a chasm has opened up between the church and the world, what is happening in that space? Is that the place we should explore? The most challenging bit of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, for which we now begin to prepare for during Advent, is that God became a part of this messy world. The season of Advent is about awaking that awareness. So amidst the hustle and bustle of preparations lets try and reflect on why we do what we do at this great festive season. Our coming weeks of Advent give us ample opportunity to see, to hear of and learn about why God so loved the Lord that he sent us his only Son. Enjoy this time.

COFFEE DOCK: Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee after mass this Sunday. It's a great opportunity to meet neighbours or make new friends.



ENROLMENT CEREMONY FOR 1ST HOLY COMMUNION:

Our Enrolment Ceremony and first parent meeting will be taking place on zoom on **Monday, 28th November at 7.30pm** for the children of **St. Mochta's N.S.** and on **Tuesday, 29th November at 7.30pm** for the children of **St. Patrick's N.S.** and **Scoil Choilm.** This is the start of our Parish programme in preparation for the children to receive their 1st Holy Communion. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.



ENROLMENT CEREMONY FOR CONFIRMATION:

Our Enrolment Ceremony and first parent meeting will be taking place on zoom on **Monday, 21st November at 7.00pm** for the children of **St. Mochta's N.S.** and on **Monday, 21st November at 8.00pm** for the children of **St. Patrick's N.S.** and **Scoil Choilm.** This is the start of our Parish programme in preparation for the children to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We ask you to pray for them that through their preparation they will learn the wonder of the Holy Spirit and the goodness of God's Love.



NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD:

November has traditionally been a time to remember loved ones who have died. If you would like to have your loved ones prayed for during the month and on the First Friday of each month through the year please take one of the lists and envelopes at the back of the church and return it as soon as possible. The envelope can be put in the safe at the back of the church.



NEW CHRISTIANS:

We welcome **Tom, Matilda, Fiadh, Lena and Kate** who join our community through the waters of baptism this weekend. May they continue to grown strong in body, mind and spirit Anyone enquiring about Baptism, please see Deacon Tim or Ciara at the 11am Mass any Sunday.



BAPTISMS To arrange a Baptism, please see Deacon Tim or Ciara at the 11am mass on any Sunday. They will have the diary. Early booking is recommended.



CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION SERVICE on Thursday, **8th December after the 10am mass and Sunday 18th December from 1pm to 3pm** to help prepare us spiritually for the celebration of Christmas.

