

**Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Opening of
St Philomena's Parish Church**



Celebrate the labour, craft work, creativity, generosity and contributions of those who lived in Palmerstown 75 years ago.



Celebrate and welcome the new life, hope and gifts of current times in our parish and country in 2023.



Let us gather together, as a parish community to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the opening of St Philomena's Parish Church:

- on 21 October
- at 6.00p.m. Mass celebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell
- followed by refreshments for all in the Parish Centre.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Celebrate the gift of faith in our loving God passed down faithfully through the generations who lived in our parish.

For when two or three of you are together because of me, you can be sure that I'll be there. (Matthew 18:20)

Come Celebrate!

BAYSIDE ALPHA are running a new free 7-week Zoom course on Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit. The course starts on Tuesday the 26th of September 2023 at 7.30pm and features Franciscan Friar, Fr Dave Pivonka, and other speakers. Its a one hour weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for sharing for anyone who wishes to, and short Scriptures to reflect on at home.

The following themes are covered on the course: The Spirit of Adoption, The Spirit and the Sacraments, The Fruits of the Holy Spirit, The Spirit Convicts, The Spirit's Freedom, The Spirit Gives Witness, The Spirit Remembers.

If you would like to take part, please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com.



Parish Bulletin
The Parish of St Philomena,
Palmerstown



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Please note we do not have the facility to record webcam Masses/Services.

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23 - 24 Sept 2023

READINGS AT MASS THIS WEEKEND

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9
Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24,27
Gospel: Matthew Matthew 20:1-16





CHURCH NOTICES

FAMILY GIVING

10 Sept 2023 €1,040
17 Sept 2023: €943

COMMON FUND

10 Sept 2023 €655
17 Sept 2023: €540

SHARE

10 Sept 2023 €420

CROSSCARE COLLECTION

17 Sept 2023: €815

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6pm Vigil Mass (Sat)
9.30am and 12 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

10am on Monday,
Wednesday, Thursday,
Friday and Saturday

Tuesday

10am Eucharistic Service

HOLY DAYS MASSES

7.30pm Vigil Mass
10 am on Working Holy Days
9.30am & 12 noon on
Christmas Day and St
Patrick's Day

SAFEGUARDING

If you have a concern about child abuse, please contact Mr Andrew Fagan, Director, Child Safeguarding & Protection Service, Dublin Archdiocese (Mon-Fri: 09:00-17:00, Tel: 01-8360314 or Deputy Liaison Person Tel: 01-8360304. Tusla

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 23 Sept	10am	
	6pm (Vigil)	Eileen, Martin, George & Marian Butler (RIP) Maureen Bond (Month's Mind) Bernie Crean (Anniversary) Michael McDonnell (Anniversary)
Sunday, 24 Sept	9.30am	
	12 Noon	James & Josephine Deane (Ann) John Carroll (Anniversary) Betty Reynolds (Anniversary) All who sympathised with Betty's Family
Monday, 25 Sept	10am	
Tuesday, 26 Sept	10am	Eucharistic Service
Wednesday, 27 Sept	10am	
Thursday, 28 Sept	10am	
Friday, 29 Sept	10am	
Saturday, 30 Sept	10am	
	6pm (Vigil)	Orla Doran (First Anniversary) Peter Connolly (Month's Mind)
Sunday, 01 October	9.30am	
	12 Noon	



Palmerstown Active Retirement

BOWLING: Mondays & Thursdays 2pm to 4pm

CHOIR: Tuesdays 2.30pm to 3.30pm

KEEP FIT: Wednesdays 10.45am to 11.45am

ART: Fridays 10am to 12 noon

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Call into the centre during the activity that you are interested in
or Tel: Pat Smith 086 3856270/Email: pararetirement@live.ie

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Sunday, September 24, is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday. This year we mark the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the Child Safeguarding & Protection Service. The service was set up by Cardinal Connell, initially as the Child Protection Service, on the advice of the Diocesan Panel on Child Protection. An anniversary such as this provides an opportunity not only to look back and consider what has been done but also to look forward at what remains to be done and the challenges of the future.

It is possible to divide the history of the Service into two distinct ten-year periods. For the first ten years the emphasis was very much on support for victim/survivors and ensuring that allegations of abuse against clerics were dealt with in accordance with both national child protection guidelines, *Children First*, and with the Church's own guidelines. This work, dealing with the consequences of the past, was accompanied by measures to improve the safety of children involved in church activities. However, it was only with the establishment of the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee in 2013 that the work of safeguarding, the proactive work of creating and maintaining safe environments, initially for children and then also for vulnerable adults, came to have the same prominence as dealing with cases and supporting those who were harmed.

We have learned, then, that dealing with the consequences of the past, vital though it remains, has to be accompanied by steps to ensure that what happened then is not happening now and will not happen in the future. That is part of the debt we owe to victims and survivors. Many of those who have disclosed abuse have given as their primary reason for doing so that they want to ensure that no child will ever again suffer as they did.

We have learned too that the lay faithful have taken this matter to heart and are determined to rid the Church of the scourge of clerical child abuse. A recent article in the *Irish Times* by columnist Breda O'Brien noted that there has been real progress in the Church, mostly due to an army of faithful lay volunteers and dogged persistence by campaigners. We owe a great debt to the campaigners, even if they sometimes tell us things we would rather not hear. I want to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the campaigners. Also, I want to thank all of you who have attended training, implemented safeguarding practices in our parishes, served as parish safeguarding representatives and sat on our various committees at both parish and diocesan level.

We must look to the future with hope, including the hope that children can be brought back to the Church. We are more likely to succeed in doing so if we can convince their parents that the safety of their loved ones is our utmost concern. We need also a realistic understanding that threats to the safety of children can come from the most unexpected sources and that we can only protect them if we remain alert and vigilant.

Finally, I ask you to remember in your prayers all those who have suffered abuse.

+Dermot Farrell