Palmerstown Active Retirement
November's Schedule
Palmerstown Parish Centre

Mondays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
			
Indoor Bowls	**Chair Exercises**	**Indoor Bowls**	**Art Classes**
2pm – 4pm	10.45am - 11.45am	2pm – 4pm	10.30am– 12.30pm

Tuesdays in October/November 2026
2.30pm to 4.30pm

Tuesday, 27 October 2026

- Acrylic Painting 2.30pm to 3.30pm (Post Cards Dublin Landmarks)
- BINGO! 3.30pm to 4.30pm, €5 per book



Tuesday, 03 November 2026

- Zumba Gold! 2.30pm to 3.30pm
- BINGO! 3.30pm to 4.30pm, €5 per book

Tuesday, 10 November 2026



- Chair Yoga 2.30pm to 3.30pm
- BINGO! 3.30pm to 4.30pm, €5 per book

Tuesday, 17 November 2026

- Clay Creation 2.30pm to 3.30pm
- BINGO! 3.30pm to 4.30pm, €5 per book

Tuesday, 24 November 2026



- BINGO! 2.30pm to 4.30pm, €5 per book
- Tea Dance & Refreshments in Kilnamanagh Recreational Centre. Bus departs 5pm from Parish Centre/returning after event to Parish Centre.

Enquiries: Tel: 089-4250264

Palmerstown Community Council

cordially invites you to an

OPEN MEETING

Tuesday, 03 November 2026
at 8:00 PM

In their premises in Manor Road

Parish Bulletin

The Parish of St Philomena
Palmerstown

Donate to the Parish

31 Oct – 01 Nov 2026

NOVEMBER 1

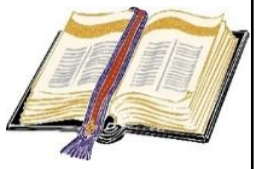
All Saints

All Souls

NOVEMBER 2

Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading:	Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14
Second Reading:	1 John 3:1-3
Gospel:	Matthew 5:1-12





November Altar List of the Dead

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CHURCH NOTICES

FAMILY GIVING
Sunday 25-Oct-26 €914

COMMON FUND
Sunday 25-Oct-26 €545

SHARE
Sunday, 25-Oct €385

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 Holy Days
9.3oam & 12 noon on Christmas 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 Office, Local Garda Station, or HSE (vulnerable adults) 1850 24 1850

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 31 Oct	10am	Betty Walker (RIP)
	6pm (Vigil)	Michael & Ann McSharry (RIP)
		Cora Landy (10th Anniversary)
Sunday, 01 Nov	9.30am	Charles Tynan (Anniversary)
	12 Noon	Hugh Hamill (Month's Mind)
		Pat McGilloway (Month's Mind)
Monday, 02 Nov	10am	
Tuesday 03 Nov	10am	Eucharistic Prayer Service
Wed, 04 Nov	10am	Michael Barton (Anniversary)
		Colm O'Byrne (Recently Deceased)
Thurs, 05 Nov	10am	
Friday, 06 Nov	10am	Altar List
Saturday, 07 Nov	10am	
	6pm (Vigil)	Marian McDonald (Month's Mind)
		Members of the Wall & Murray Families
		Terry Behan (Anniversary)
		Joe Dixon (First Anniversary)
Sunday, 08 Nov	9.30am	
	12 Noon	Phyliss, Jack & Bernadette Farrelly (RIP)
		Valerie Johnson (Anniversary)
		Ann Brennan (Anniversary)
		Nora, Paddy & Christopher Scally (Ann)

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Parish Office: ✉: parishoffice@palmerstownparish.com
☎: (01) 6260900 Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 2pm
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Webcam: www.churchservices.tv/palmerstown

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Samhain and the Celtic Roots of Halloween

Long before modern Halloween existed, ancient Ireland celebrated Samhain (Old Irish: Samain) as a major seasonal turning point that marked the close of summer and the arrival of winter. The Celts believed the barrier between the human world and the Otherworld weakened on the night of October 31, allowing ancestors, spirits, and fairy folk to cross over. The festival focused on honouring the dead, welcoming family ancestors, sharing communal meals, and lighting large bonfires for warmth and protection.



As Christianity spread, the Church designated November 1 as All Saints' Day (All Hallows) and November 2 as All Souls' Day to remember the departed. The sacred evening before All Hallows became known as All Hallows' Eve, which naturally shortened into the holiday we call Halloween!

"The Holy Halloween Night
The turnip lantern's glowing bright,
To chase the shadows from the night!
We snap at apples on a string,
And laugh together in a ring.
We bake the Brack with hidden rings,
And think of happy, holy things.
Though spooky leaves are blowing near,
God's watching over everyone here.
So light the candle, say a prayer,
For God's great love is everywhere.
He guards our sleep until the day,
The happy Saints come out to play!"



All Saints' Day – 01 November 2026

The tradition of Christians honouring our dead dates to at least the fourth century. While All Saints' Day originally commemorated martyrs who died for their faith, it was later expanded to recognize all saints. Pope Gregory III moved the celebration from a spring festival to 1 November in the eighth century to coincide with the dedication of a chapel honouring all saints at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Today, the day remains a dedicated time to remember both saints and martyrs!

All Souls' Day – 02 November 2026

Observed on 02 November, the day after All Saints' Day, All Souls' Day is dedicated to remembering all who have passed away. This tradition stems from the belief that humans are composed of both body and soul, and that upon death, the soul departs the body to return to God. However, before many souls can enter God's presence permanently, they undergo a period of purification in Purgatory. All Souls' Day is a time of prayer for these departed souls who are still journeying toward eternal peace. First celebrated in 11th-century France, the observance spread widely throughout the Catholic Church by the 14th century, heavily influenced by the devastating plague epidemics across Europe. Today, it remains a meaningful day to honour and remember deceased family members and friends!