



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

PARISH of LARKHILL WHITEHALL & SANTRY

Parish Newsletter 12th January 2025



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

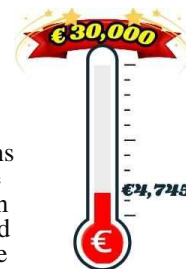


PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES



BLESSED MARGARET BALL

Significant renovations are required for the Chapel and you will be able to enjoy the enhancements when visiting, e.g. the replacement of all the original heaters and improvements to the lighting. More renovations are still required and we will continue with the work. It is estimated that we require €30,000 in order to complete all of the work and we would make a special appeal to Parishioners to donate using the special 30th anniversary collection envelopes which are available in the Church. Parishioners have generously donated €4,745 to this work already but as you can see from the barometer, we would appreciate further donations in order to reach our target.



FAMILY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Thanks to the parishioners who have signed up to give to the Parish by weekly envelope or monthly standing order and thanks too to those who have resolved to increase the amount that they give per year. It is a sign of hope that the Parish can overcome its financial difficulties and have confidence in its future. The Family Offering envelopes for 2025 are now ready for collection in the Parish Centre, if you haven't already done so, please pop by and pick yours up

ADORATION

Adoration has resumed as per normal schedule Mon-Fri from 9.45am - 11.45am in the Oratory.

WHITEHALL PARISH TEAM VACANCY

We have a vacancy in Whitehall Church for a general operative / cleaner who would be employed as part of the Community Employment (CE) Scheme. For more information, please ask at Reception or go to www.jobsireland.ie to apply.

WARA

Whitehall Active Retirement Group meets on **Monday 13th January at 2.30pm** in the Parish Centre.

PARISH UPKEEP FUND

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Monthly collection takes place this weekend, 11/12th January. 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.

BOOKS

Why not visit our new book section located in the Parish Centre? Pop by for a browse and if you see something you like why not take it away for a small donation.

HOLY CHILD NS OPEN EVENING

Holy Child NS will hold an open evening on **Thursday 23rd January from 6:30 - 7:30pm** for parents of children who are due to start school in September 2025. Enrolment for Junior Infants and the Junior ASD class opens on the 6th January. Please see www.holychildns.ie for more information.

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group will meet on **Wednesday, January 22nd 2025, from 7:30pm to 9:00pm** in the Parish Centre. We would like to invite any parishioner who feels they might benefit from attending. The group provides a supportive space to share your bereavement journey or simply listen to others' experiences. Our team will be present to listen and support all who attend. At Bethany, we want you to know that you are not alone in your grief. We hope you can join us.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The Christmas Raffle draw took place on Monday 16th December and was a great success. Prize winners who were not present at the draw have been contacted. Please pop by the Parish Office between 9am-1pm Monday to Friday to collect your prize. One prize winner did not provide a contact number, pink ticket number 40 could they please contact the parish office.

CHURCH SHOP

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

PARISH LOTTO

Our fundraiser lotto is temporarily suspended. The team is working to relaunch the lotto in the coming months. Thank you all for your loyal support.

COFFEE SHOP

The coffee shop is now open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings after 9.15am Mass until 11.30am. Please come along and enjoy tea, coffee and biscuits.

PARISH CENTRE CLASSES

Pilates Classes will resume January 29th at 9.15am, contact Nora on 085 7768817 for more information.

Chair Pilates classes are on each Wednesday morning from 11.30am - 12.15pm Please contact Anne-Marie on 087 2361517 for more details.

Crochet Classes Crochet classes have now paused for Christmas Break and will return in January, contact Sonya on 086 0711379 for more information.

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"God specializes in giving people a fresh start."
(Rick Warren)



MASS INTENTIONS

(FROM SATURDAY 11TH JANUARY TO SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY 2025)

Saturday 7pm	Patrick (Paddy) Kilmurray Dominick Duffy Kevin Traynor	Month's Mind Anniversary Month's Mind
Sunday 10:30am	Theresa Maher also remembering her sisters Mary Gath & Patsy Gath Brady John & Anne Madden Jimmy Comiskey	Month's Mind Anniversaries Anniversary
Sunday 12.30pm	Matthew Carolan Ronnie Burke Mona Burke Kay O'Connor Frank Maguire Jack & Rose Leonard Christine Hilda Nolan & Peter Nolan	Month's Mind 2 nd Anniversary 7 th Anniversary 19 th Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary
Monday 9:15am	Available for Intention	
Tuesday 9:15am	Maureen, Jim & Bill Smith	Anniversary
Wednesday 9:15am	Available for Intention	
Thursday 9:15am	Tom & Catherine Neary	Anniversary
Friday 9:15am	Available for Intention	
Saturday 7pm	Bridget Goggin Ethel Smith Kathleen & Patrick Maples Mary Elizabeth Crowley Joe Kearney	11 th Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary
Sunday 10.30am	Michael Murphy Patrick Hannigan Robert & Josephine Redmond	Month's Mind Anniversary Anniversary
Sunday 12.30pm	Fr Raymond Comiskey Geraldine Fitzgerald James Waldron Andrew Kevin Rogan Noel, Therese, Trish & Richard Monks	Birthday Remembrance Month's Mind Anniversary Anniversary Anniversaries
Sun 12 th Jan 10am	Sean & Cisse Ward	Anniversary
Wed 15 th Jan 10am	Available for Intention	
Sun 19 th Jan 10am	Charles & Dolores Scott	2 nd Anniversary

CHAPEL OF BLESSED MARGARET BALL

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones who have died in the peace of Christ:
Carmel Butler Anne Hislop
Yvette Conaghey Mary McGettigan
May they rest in peace and rise in glory



We are a voluntary charity putting all our efforts into the funding of lifesaving equipment that will make a big impact on young lives.

KOINS FOR KIDS

Koins for Kids Ireland takes old, new, obsolete, low denomination, damaged, dirty or any nationality coins or banknotes.

Decluttering, upcycling and saving innocent suffering lives!

We have a home for any coin or banknote on the planet. Help us Help the Kids.

No donation is too small and your donation can be left into the Parish Office Mon-Fri 9am-1pm



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CHURCH OF THE HOLY CHILD

MASSES

Monday to Friday: 9:15am
Saturday: 7:00pm
Bank Holidays: 10:00am
Sunday at 10:30am & 12:30 pm
All Masses are broadcast daily by 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.

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RCN: 20016166

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Priests: Fr Robert Smyth / Fr Dominic Kwikiriza
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Parish Website: <http://www.whitehall.dublindiocese.ie>



Evangelisation and Parish Census Project, 2025

Parishes of Whitehall (Santry/Larkhill) and Beaumont

REACH OUT TO RECONNECT

As we celebrate over 45 years of Beaumont Parish, and 80 years of Larkhill / Whitehall / Santry Parish, we are looking forward to the future with Christian hope.

Building Hope is the name of the programme launched by the Archbishop of Dublin to support parishes in preparing for their futures in partnership with their neighbours. It is up to us as members of our local parish to work to secure its future. We seek to be disciples of Jesus Christ, living the joy of the Resurrection, building on the legacy of the generations before us.

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is leading a project "Reach out to Reconnect" to engage with parishioners. The purpose of this project is: to welcome everyone to the House of the Lord, to Evangelise and update the parish records. Most importantly to gather information of the people who wish to avail pastoral services.

A pilot census 'door-to-door visit' was recently done by volunteers from both Beaumont and Whitehall Parish and was well received.

As our Lord send his disciples in pairs, to go out and bring the Good News, we need every baptised person to consider, to volunteer their time, their talents and their gifts (treasure) to the success of this not so small project.

We need as many volunteers as possible. Training will be provided, and mind you, you will not be alone, but with another trained volunteer to visit the 10,000 plus homes in Beaumont and Whitehall. A pair of volunteers from each street is ideal visiting about 50 plus houses. We need volunteers from each and every street in both the parishes.

The hour has come my sisters and brothers, where we need to ask ourselves, what I can do to sustain the church, than what the church can do for me! Let us ponder that call in our hearts during this Christmas, as Mary pondered on the message that was given by the angel Gabriel.

If you hear that call within, to Reach Out and Reconnect, then act, do not wait. Please phone the parish office in Beaumont or Whitehall and register your interest. Alternatively, please complete the on-line Form. The office will be in contact with you.

Wish you peace and joy of Christmas. May the newborn King bless you, your family and all who are near and dear to you.

(On behalf of the PPC: the Church of the Holy Child, Church of the Nativity of our Lord and Blessed Margaret Ball. Dr Toney Thomas, project lead).

