# October 2024 Newsletter



# **Assumption** Church Walkinstown

**Parish Office Monday to Friday** 9.30am - 11.30am Tel: 01 4502649; Email: walkinstownchurch@gmail.com Website: www.walkinstownparish.ie

Masses are streamed live on Webcam and **Broadcast on Parish** Radio

Monday to Friday: 10.00am Saturday (Vigil) 6.00pm Sunday 11.30am Holy Days - Vigil 7.00pm **Holy Day** 10.00am



**Confessions:** 

Saturday before Vigil Mass. Sunday 11.00am (when priest available). On request or by

appointment

**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:** 

Thursday after 10.00am Mass until 11.30am

**Devotions** Miraculous Medal Novena Monday

after 10.00am Mass

Monday - Friday before 10.00am Mass Rosary Marriage Bookings – Please contact Parish Office

Church is open for private prayer from 9.30am to 3.00pm Monday to Friday outside of Church Holidays.

### **Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

Fr. Paul travelled with the Dublin Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in September. He carried with him Parishioners Petitions which he placed at the Grotto. He also lit a Candle for Parishioners Intentions at Our Lady's Grotto.

Our Lady of Lourdes Pray for Us.





Sat 5<sup>th</sup> & Sun 6th October – Members of the Apostolate for Eucharistic Adoration will speak at Mass about renewing and expanding the weekly Eucharist Adoration. On Tuesday 8th October at 6.30pm, a meeting will be held for all who would in interested in assisting with Eucharistic Adoration in the parish. All welcome.

Mon Oct 7th - Our Lady of the Rosary.

Sun 13th Oct – Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin Paul Dempsey will celebrate Mass at 11.30am in Walkinstown and looks forward to meeting parishioners after Mass.

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> & Sun 20<sup>th</sup> October – Fundraising Event – proceeds will go towards the Care of the Church.

If you would like to volunteer and assist with the running of the Parish, we will do all we can to make you feel part of the Parish family and match you with a role that you will find enjoyable, helpful, and rewarding. Contact: Parish Office.

Holy Water is available at the side entrance of the Church.





# St. Francis of Assisi/Sister Mother Earth

St. Francis of Assisi was declared the Patron Saint of Ecology by Pope John Paul II in 1979. Ecology is the study of how all living things depend on one another for survival. John Paul II said that St. Francis' love and care for creation was a challenge to contemporary Catholics and a reminder "not to behave like dissident predators where nature is concerned, but to assume responsibility for it, taking all care so that everything stays healthy and integrated, so as to offer a welcoming and friendly environment even to those who succeed us."

"As a friend of the poor who was loved by God's creatures, Saint Francis invited all of creation — animals, plants, natural forces, even Brother Sun and Sister Moon — to give honour and praise to the Lord.

The poor man of Assisi gives us striking witness that when we are at peace with God, we are better able to devote ourselves to building up that peace with all creation which is inseparable from peace among all peoples."

October 4<sup>th</sup> is the Feast Day of St. Francis, so this is a good time to reflect on our relationship with everything else that is alive around us, especially since only last month Pope Francis' intention was that we to listen to the cry of the Earth.

"We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climate change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live."

The full text of Pope Francis' encyclical letter, *Laudato Si*, is available at: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco 20150524 enciclica-laudato-si.html

#### **Baptism**

We would like to welcome baby Conor who was baptised recently. We are preparing to welcome 3 babies into the Christian Community during October. Please keep them in your prayers.

Sincere sympathy to the family and friends of **Mona Dyas,** late of Walkinstown Ave, whose funeral took place recently. *Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.* 

If any parishioner would like a home visit, or a visit in a nursing home, please contact the Parish Office.

## Walkinstown Church Fundraising Event

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October after 6.00pm Mass &

Sunday 20th October after 11.30am Mass

#### Proceeds go towards the Care of the Church

Books, Cake Sale, Christmas Decorations, Plants & Pot Raffle will take place on Sunday. Tickets 3 sheets for €5.

We are taking donations of items to sell.

Please bring Cash as we don't have a card machine

Please come and support us.

#### **Gospel Reflection**

Lectio Divina meeting is held every Friday after 10.00am mass in a room off the sacristy. All Welcome.

# Hospitality

You are all welcome to join us for Tea/Coffee and light refreshments



After 10.00am Mass each Wednesday and

After the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 11.30am Mass each month

## Safeguarding

The Parish of Walkinstown recognises and upholds the dignity and rights of all children, is committed to ensuring their safety and well-being and will work in partnership with parents/guardians to do this.

Copies of the Homily of Archbishop Farrell for Safeguarding Day 2024, is available at Church Entrance or by clicking the link -

https://dublindiocese.ie/safeguarding-day-2024/