



**CURRENT SCHEDULE \***

**Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:**  
 Mass at 10am preceded by the Rosary at 9.30am, Church closes at 5pm

**Monday:** Area Mass at 7.30pm preceded by Rosary and Novena at 7pm

**Wednesday:** Liturgy of the Word at 10am

**Saturday:** Church opens at 10am  
**Vigil Mass at 6pm**  
**Sunday Mass at 10.30am**

**1st Saturday of the month – 10am Mass** followed by confessions until 11am

**Last Tuesday of the month**  
 - Prayer Group Mass at 8pm, all welcome

**Bank Holiday:** Mass 11am only, no evening mass  
 All services available on [www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam](http://www.blanchardstownparish.ie/webcam)  
 Also on Phoenix Radio– 92.5FM

**Eucharistic Adoration** Tue & Fri 10.30am-5pm  
**Blanchardstown Area evening Mass 7.30pm**  
**Mon:** Blanchardstown  
**Tues & Thurs:** Castleknock  
**Wed:** Mulhuddart  
**Fri:** Corduff

*\* Please note that our standard schedule may be subject to some change in the current circumstances.*

*Each printed page, each line of light, each 'inspiration' of Scripture, each teaching of Light, each change in us is a further motive of love. The Lord changes our inner climate of soul, changes our thinking, our life, our conduct. Change me, Lord, as You see best.*

**90,000 Reasons to Love God. Fr Adrian Crowley**



**October - Mission Month**

October is the month when we celebrate the Missionary Outreach of the Catholic Church around the world. During this month, we ask for your prayers for missionaries working at home and abroad. On World Mission Sunday we ask Catholics to support this work by giving generously to the collection at Mass on World Mission Sunday 20th October. This year Pope Francis has chosen the theme 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet'. Mission, he said, is a tireless going out to all women and men, in order to invite them to encounter God.

Children's Day of Mission Prayer is celebrated on the second Friday of October each year, so 11th October this year. It's purpose is to enhance the prayer lives of children, encouraging them to pray for each other and for overseas missionaries on mission with children. This special day fosters and awareness of mission and the need to help and serve others. We encourage children to pray together, for each other, and for children living in poverty and fear. We also encourage children to share whatever they can, no matter how little, to help with the material needs of their brothers and sisters. **For further details see [www.missio.ie](http://www.missio.ie)**

**Saints in the Church's Calendar**

**Our Lady of the Rosary – Monday 7th October.** This memorial (originally Our Lady of Victories), commemorates the battle of Lepanto (7th Oct 1571), when a Christian fleet defeated the Turks. The victory was attributed by Pope Pius V to the recitation of the Holy Rosary. Today's celebration urges all to meditate on the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the BVM who was in a special manner associated with the incarnation, Passion and glorious Resurrection of the Son of God.

**St John Henry Newman, Priest –9th Oct.** (1801-1890). Beatified by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010. His feast day is the anniversary of his reception into the Catholic Church on 9th Oct 1845. He has connections with Ireland through his project on the establishment of the Catholic University of Ireland. Invited to Ireland in 1850, he became Rector of the Catholic University of Ireland in 1854 until his resignation in 1858.

**Saint Canice (or Kenneth), Abbot –Friday 11th Oct** (c.525-600), one of the 'Twelve Apostles of Ireland', was born in Derry. He studied for a time at Glasnevin under Mobhi. A deep friendship developed between himself and Colmcille, with whom he worked for a time in Scotland, where he set up a number of churches. After a visit to Rome, he returned to Ireland and founded several monasteries, including Aghaboe in Co. Laois, but this was replaced centuries later by his church in Kilkenny.

**Parish Contacts:**

**Deacons:** Rev Jim Adams 0862232411 Rev Michael O'Connor 0872941729 Sacristy: 8238354  
**Parish Finance** Christine Carleton / **Parish Secretary** Jean Rogers: 8115412  
 email: [office@blanchardstownparish.ie](mailto:office@blanchardstownparish.ie) website: [www.blanchardstownparish.ie](http://www.blanchardstownparish.ie)  
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Brigids-Parish-Blanchardstown-44438662375848/>



**20th October**  
 Fr John Gilligan, our new Parish Priest, will be saying his first mass in the parish at 10.30am.

**Synod on Synodality - October 2024**  
 Representatives of all our church leaders (both clergy and lay, male and female) are meeting in Rome this month to progress the Synod called by Pope Francis in 2021. There will be a printed Synod Newsletter available in the church each week in October to give you updates. For further info see [dublindiocese.ie/synod2024](http://dublindiocese.ie/synod2024) or [www.synod.va](http://www.synod.va).

**Blanchardstown Prayer Group**  
 We welcome Rev Des Bain (scripture scholar) on Tuesday 15th October at 8pm to our prayer meeting. Rev Des is an inspirational speaker on scripture and meets with us each year.

**REGISTRATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2025**

A new school year is an exciting time for everyone! In our parish it means we get to meet and work with a new group of boys and girls and their families as we journey towards our celebration of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If your child is in 2nd or 6th class and you wish them to celebrate these sacraments, please register them by using the online registration form which has been sent by your school or is available on our website. We would appreciate a quick return of the online registration forms. **The closing date is 13th October. Our first Parents Meeting for First Holy Communion will be on 23rd October at 7pm.**

**Job announcement – Pastoral Coordinator**

We are delighted to announce that the Parish is seeking to hire a part-time (20 hrs/week) Pastoral Coordinator. The primary focus is on sacramental preparation with the schools, but the role can include all aspects of faith development in the parish, be it for children, youth or adults. If you are interested, or are aware of anyone else who might be, please get in contact with Jean in the office who can give you the full job spec.



**Teen Hope**—Teen Hope is for teenagers to gather in a safe space, to enjoy the chat, the time for prayer and exploring their faith, the craic and the pizza! Please keep this initiative in your prayers. **Our next meeting will be on October 18th.**

*We pray for our recently deceased*



*Teresa Cody*  
*Always loved, never forgotten*



**Children's Corner: In the Gospel Today;**

Jesus tells us that God made people to be together and have families. God wants us all to love each other, even when it is difficult. God doesn't want anyone to be lonely.

**BROTHER MOTHER AUNT SISTER FATHER UNCLE** God created families so that they can love and help each other. Can you find the relations that you find in families?

**My family**  
 God loves families very much. Can you draw a picture of your family? Write their names under the picture.

U	R	T	M	W	S	I	S
N	B	R	O	T	H	E	R
S	I	S	T	E	R	I	U
F	A	T	H	E	R	H	N
P	U	A	E	H	E	R	C
F	C	U	R	B	A	S	L
A	D	N	Q	F	R	A	E
E	E	T	M	O	Z	R	T

Thank you Jesus for my family. They show me everyday what your love is like because they keep on loving me even when I am naughty!  
 Amen



**St. Vincent de Paul;** The outdoor monthly collection for St Brigid's will be taken up **next weekend 12/13 October.**



**Open Night!**

**Scoil Bhríde Buachaillí** Thursday 10th October 7-8pm.  
**Scoil Bhríde Cailíní** Tuesday 15th October 6.30-7.30pm. Come to see our schools, and meet our staff and pupils! All welcome. Junior Infant enrolment opens November 1st For details see; [scoilbhríde.com](http://scoilbhríde.com) [scoilbhrídecailini.ie](http://scoilbhrídecailini.ie)



**Scoil Oilibhéir**

**Open Night!**

Wednesday 16th October 7-8pm.  
 Nurturing and enriching every child through the medium of Irish, to achieve their full potential.

**Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement**—Retreat Day—October 12th 9.30am to 4pm. Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght. To register please email [conference@flameoflove.ie](mailto:conference@flameoflove.ie)

**Mass intentions for the week**

Saturday	Maureen Bannon (1st A) Irene Correia (1st A)
Sunday	Geraldine Fay (MM) Annie Doolan Liam O'Neill Nora O'Keefe
Monday	Sean McCabe
Thursday	Ray McCooey

