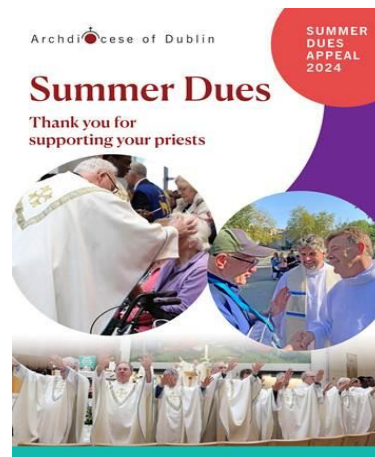




**"We are free to either accept or reject the message of the Gospel."**

In our Gospel reading today, Jesus emphasises the concept of freewill. We are free to either accept or reject the message of the Gospel. He realises that this may take time. Instead, he is expecting people to show an openness to the message of the Gospel. Crucially, he asks that they listen to what the disciples have to say. In our busy lives (not least my own!) how often do we allow time to listen to Jesus whether this is by reading his word, listening to people of faith or through prayer. Often the words of Jesus can become obscured by the soundtrack of our lives. Many people associate the ministry of the apostles as commencing in the time after Pentecost. But, from this gospel reading, we can see that it commenced a lot earlier than that. We are told that Jesus sent them out "in pairs" and "gave them authority". The disciples responded positively to this request from Jesus: "they set off to preach repentance and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them." When we set out on a journey, we are not absolutely sure where it will lead us. There may be surprises along the way. We may end up taking diversions. But we need to be confident that the journey is worthwhile and that the ultimate destination will be well worth the effort. Blessed John Henry Newman once wrote a homily entitled "The Ventures of Faith." He said the following: "In various ways, the circumstances of the times cause [people] at certain seasons to take this path or that, for religion's sake. They know not where they are being carried; they see not the end of their course; they know no more than this, that it is right to do what they are now doing; and they hear a whisper within them."

Newman had a great journey of conversion in his life from the Church of England to Catholicism. He had many twists and turns on this journey but always believed that the "kindly light" of God would lead him to the truth. I think his words give us courage and confidence today.



The generosity that people show toward their priests is very reassuring. Your contributions can go further without any additional cost to you, thanks to the Tax relief available on charitable donations. With your help the parish can claim a tax refund from Revenue to the value of up to 45% of your identifiable

contributions amounting to €250 or more in any given year. The parish can reclaim the tax no matter whether you are PAYE or Self-Assessed. This tax rebate from Revenue is now an important source of income for the parish. For further information please contact Orla at the Parish Office, who will explain the process in more detail.

### **COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND**

**Common Fund € 955 Share € 687**

**Sincere thanks for your continued support.**



**THE WEEKLY WEDNESDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE ADORATION CHAPEL DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE SUMMER MONTHS**

### **WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> July - 6.30p.m.**

**Martin Keating, [Month's Mind]**

**For a Special Intention;**

**In memory of Helen Whiston, Gary Lonergan & Ossie Nash.**

**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July –**

**12 noon Eilish McCarthy, [A]; Owen O'Reilly, [1<sup>st</sup> A];**

**Fintan Monahan, [A]; Helen Kellegher King, [10<sup>th</sup> A];**

**John, Florrie & Mary Finnegan, [A]**

### **PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**



**15<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**€815 pps. For further information contact**

**Pauline Geoghegan at**

**087 6293744**



**Portmarnock Art Group**  
**46th Annual Art Exhibition**  
Featuring Artists from  
Portmarnock and Malahide  
**Project Room, AVOCA, Malahide**  
**Saturday 27th July 10am - 5pm**  
**Sunday 28th July 10am - 4pm**  
**Sunday 28th July 10am - 4pm**

***MEALS ON WHEELS PORTMARNOCK***  
**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED -**

If you have a couple of hours to spare  
once a month, please contact  
**Benita @ 087 679 8673**  
**Frank @ 086 372 6989**



As part of our fight against digital exclusion, Age Action's Getting Starter programme is offering free, individual tuition in digital literacy provided by volunteers. Age Action is the leading advocacy organisation on ageing and older people in Ireland. Age Action

advocates for a society that enables all older people to participate and to live full, independent lives, based on the realisation of their rights and equality, recognising the diversity of their experience and situation. We are delighted to announce that we have course places available in:

**MALAHIDE LIBRARY**

**THURSDAYS FROM: 12:00 - 14:00**

**BOOKING:** Please email the Getting Started Team at [gettingstarted@ageaction.ie](mailto:gettingstarted@ageaction.ie) Or call 0818 911109 if you would like to sign up for the course.



*Malahide Parish Centre, Main St., Malahide*  
*Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> July : 10.30am – 4.00p.m.*  
*All proceeds to Doctors Without Borders &*  
*Gaza Pediatric Care Initiative to support their life*  
*saving work with the Children of Gaza*

***SUMMER OPENING HOURS***  
***JULY AND AUGUST***

**CHURCH:**

Monday to Friday . 9.00am to 5.00pm. Saturday 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Sunday 11.00am until conclusion of Final Service (Mass or Baptisms).

**PARISH OFFICE:** Monday to Thursday 9.00am - 1.00pm

**\*RECEPTION:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10.30am - 12noon. Tuesday and Thursday 10.30a.m - 12 noon and 1.30pm - 4.00pm

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**St Anne's Church, Portmarnock**

7th JULY -15th SEPTEMBER 2024

**Saturday at 6.30pm** (Vigil Mass)  
**& Sunday at 12.00**

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**St Anne's Church, Portmarnock**

5th JULY -13th SEPTEMBER 2024

**JULY-** Mon 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> & Mon 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> &  
Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> **NO MASSES**

**JULY-**Mon 29<sup>th</sup>, Wed 31<sup>st</sup>, **AUG-**Thu 1<sup>st</sup> &  
Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> **Masses at 10.00am**

**AUGUST 5<sup>th</sup> until September 13<sup>th</sup> Mon,**  
**Wed, Thu & Fri Masses at 10.00am**

\*PLEASE NOTE THAT WEEKDAY MASSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WHERE FUNERALS ARISE

**SCHEDULE**

**7th JULY –15th SEPTEMBER 2024**  
**FOR THE PARTNERSHIP OF PARISHES OF**  
**MALAHIDE, YELLOW WALLS, & KINSEALY**

**ST. SYLVESTER'S CHURCH MALAHIDE**

Sunday: at 8.30am & 11.30am

All Masses will be streamed live at:

([www.malahideparish.ie](http://www.malahideparish.ie)) or  
([www.churchservices.tv/malahide](http://www.churchservices.tv/malahide))

**SACRED HEART CHURCH, YELLOW WALLS**

Saturday at 6.00pm (Vigil Mass);

Sunday at 10.00am

All Masses will be streamed live at:

([www.yellowwallparish.ie](http://www.yellowwallparish.ie))  
([www.churchservices.tv/yellowwalls](http://www.churchservices.tv/yellowwalls))

**ST NICHOLAS OF MYRA CHURCH, KINSEALY**

Sundays: at 11.00am

**Full Schedule of Sunday and weekday Masses**  
**available at the back of the Church**

**TIMES OF MASSES: WEEKDAYS 10AM: MON, WED, THURS and FRI. SATURDAY: 6.30PM (VIGIL), SUNDAY: 10.30AM. and 12 NOON. BAPTISMS 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAYS AND AT THE EASTER VIGIL (SOME EXCEPTIONS AROUND CHRISTMAS AND EASTER.). CONFESSIONS SAT. AFTER 6.30PM MASS, AFTER DAILY MASS (UNLESS THERE'S A FUNERAL), OR ON REQUEST.**