

Parish notices, April 30

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Archdiocese of Dublin

PARISH NOTICES

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026



*Archbishop Farrell with pilgrims during the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday.
See below*

LAY MINISTRY APPEAL – THIS WEEKEND

Lay Ministry Sunday, and the Associated Lay Ministry Appeal, takes place on the weekend of May 2/3 and will replace the Share collection. This year's theme is *Building faith-filled communities*. Promotional material has been delivered to parishes ahead of that weekend.

A video has been provided by the Office of Mission & Ministry for this weekend's collection, highlighting the various ministry programmes that are available. This video can be viewed on [Facebook](#) and on [YouTube](#), and can be downloaded [here](#). Please consider making it available on your social media platforms and parish website.

The following parish resources for this appeal are [available on the diocesan website](#):

- Archbishop Dermot Farrell's letter for this year's Lay Ministry Appeal
- Details on the Office of Mission & Ministry's range of Lay Ministry Formation programmes

- Extract from the Archbishop's letter and two suggested prayers for the Prayer of the Faithful
- Lay Ministry brochure for distribution at the back of the church
- Poster for prominent display at church entrance, parish pastoral centre and other fitting locations

Your support in promoting this important appeal is deeply appreciated. Should you need any assistance or further information, please do not hesitate to contact Patricia at the Office for Financial Development at patricia.clifford@dublindiocese.ie.

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Building Faith-filled Communities

You can play your part

LAY MINISTRY APPEAL

Sat 2nd & Sun 3rd May 2026

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

In his homily during the **Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** on Saturday, Archbishop Farrell pointed to the apparition at Knock, given to ordinary people and marked by silence, and how it invites the Church to reflect. Echoing words of the late Pope Francis, he said that although the Church appears to be in crisis, this shows it to be alive. Rather than decline, God is at work, calling the Church to rediscover its mission of bringing hope. The Archbishop called for the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin to move forward in a synodal way, letting go of outdated structures and embracing renewal with courage.

[Archbishop Farrell's homily and a gallery of photographs from the day can be found on the diocesan website](#)



Bishop Dempsey with some of the thousands of people from more than 40 parishes who travelled to Knock on Saturday

NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

You are warmly invited to join once again with every parish in the diocese in a **Novena to the Holy Spirit – our dedicated period of prayer, reflection and planning for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin.**

The Novena will take place in the nine days from 17th – 25th May beginning on the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, through Pentecost and continuing to the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church.

[Novena resources are being made available on the diocesan website](#)

On Monday 11th May, in preparation for the Novena, you are invited to gather in the Monastery of St Alphonsus, Drumcondra, for prayer drawn from the Novena Prayer Booklet with music led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group.

Event: Come Holy Spirit, Fill Our Hearts Anew!

Prayer and reflections drawn from the Novena Prayer Booklet

Music led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group

Date: Monday 11th May 2026

Time: 8pm

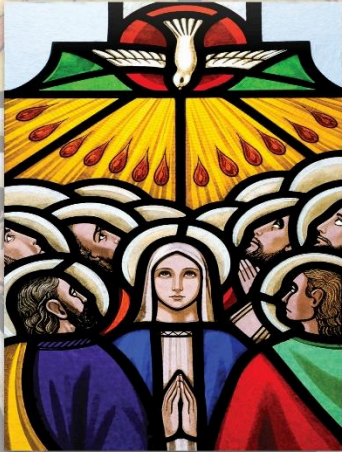
Venue: Monastery of St Alphonsus, St Alphonsus' Road Upper, Drumcondra, Dublin 9, D09 HN53

Webcam: www.rednuns.com/webcam

Drumcondra

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Prayer and reflections drawn
from the Novena Prayer Booklet 2026
Music led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group



Monday 11th May 2026 at 8pm

Monastery of St Alphonsus

St Alphonsus' Road Upper, Drumcondra, Dublin 9, D09 HN53

www.rednuns.com/webcam

Building Hope

DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Dublin Diocesan Pastoral Council met on Tuesday, April 14. The Council received presentations on communications from the Diocese, and these presentations provided context for a subsequent roundtable discussion with all Council members, in their consideration of actions which may be taken now and over the next year to communicate a “Synodal and Missionary Church: walking together, open to the Holy Spirit”.

Building on the outputs from the previous meeting of the Council, a further four Conversations in the Spirit took place with one group on communications, taking a deeper dive into the outcome of the roundtable session.

The other three groups addressed the grouped inputs from the previous meeting under the following headings: 1. Supporting Parish Partnerships; 2. Nourishing our Faith; 3. Being the Church of Today

These three conversations focused around:

- What is the identified pastoral gap the Council wishes to address?
- What are the most appropriate means for the Council to address the pastoral gap?
- What form should the Council's input/conclusions take and how should this be communicated?

The next meeting of the Council will take place on September 1. Meanwhile, a retreat/review day will be held on June 6.

Secretary DDPC

secretaryDDPC@dublindiocese.ie

THANK YOU FROM RELATIONSHIP CARE

On behalf of Relationship Care (former trading name ACCORD Dublin), I would like to sincerely thank you for your support of our recent Annual Collection on 14th & 15th February. We are deeply grateful for the opportunity to share our work with your parishioners.

Thanks to your kindness, we are able to continue providing accessible, low-cost marriage & relationship counselling to couples who need support during challenging times. This work makes a real and lasting difference in people's lives, and we could not do it without your help.

We understand how busy parish life can be, and we greatly appreciate the time you took to facilitate the appeal. If your parish has already returned the collection, please accept our heartfelt thanks.

If the donation has not yet been sent, we would be very grateful if you might arrange to return it at your convenience. These contributions are vital in allowing us to continue offering our services to those who rely on them.

Please be assured of our continued gratitude and prayers for you and your parish community. Should you have any queries, we remain at your disposal and would be very happy to assist.

With every good wish,

Jennifer Griffin

CEO, Relationship Care

FUNDING MISSION IN PARTNERSHIP

An update on the development of a Strategic Funding Plan for the Archdiocese of Dublin

As we continue to undertake pastoral actions and initiatives guided by the [Building Hope Pastoral Strategic Planning Resource 2025–2027](#), over the past year we have also been working on a Diocesan Strategic Funding Plan. This is a practical roadmap designed to support the journey of our parish partnerships. Following an initial consultation phase, during which we gathered valuable insights from the Council of Priests, clergy and laity, we are now ready to move forward with the next step: the rollout of a pilot programme over the course of 2026 and 2027.

This pilot will enable us to:

- Reflect on how funds are raised and monies are collected
- Gather feedback from participating parish partnerships
- Refine activity to ensure they are both effective and sustainable into the future

The programme will involve a select group of parish partnerships and will commence in the coming months. The learnings from this phase will be critical in shaping a comprehensive rollout plan that supports our shared mission and reflects the realities of our faith communities.

We remain deeply grateful for parishioner engagement and support throughout this process. Further updates will follow as the pilot progresses.

As always, we place our trust and hope in our loving God as we continue this important work together.

DIOCESAN OFFICES – CONTACTS

The direct telephone numbers and email addresses for all of the diocesan staff members can be found under each office's section at [Our Offices & Agencies](#) on the diocesan website. The offices can also be contacted at 018087500 and the relevant department selected after listening to the prompt.

GUIDELINES TO PARISH PARTNERSHIP NAMES

If a parish partnership name has been discerned in consultation with people of all of the parishes in the partnership, please email buildinghope@dublindiocese.ie in order that the chosen name may be approved, and to confirm that is not already in use by another parish

partnership in the Archdiocese. Then, once formally agreed and adopted by the partnership, the name may be registered with buildinghope@dublindiocese.ie. **Guidelines attached.**

LOGIN AREA

The diocesan website's Secure Area is now known as the Login Area and can be found at <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/login-area/>. Please email communications@dublindiocese.ie to request access.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT WORKER SUPPORT

An application form for possible **funding support for the role of partnership Faith Development Worker** in disadvantaged areas is now available **on the Login Area of the diocesan website** under **Parish Employees** and also attached to this email. The form should be considered with reference to the available templates, also available on the Secure Area. Please contact [Patricia Carroll](mailto:Patricia.Carroll@dublindiocese.ie) for more information on the role of Faith Development Worker, or [Ida Finnegan](mailto:Ida.Finnegan@dublindiocese.ie) for further information on the application process. Adare can assist around recruitment queries.

OFFICE OF MISSION & MINISTRY

Sacraments Conference 2026

This year's conference explores the various roles of Parish, School and Family as we accompany families on the journey of Sacramental Preparation. All priests, parish pastoral workers, catechists and parish sacramental teams are warmly invited.

It takes place on June 20 from 10am to 3pm at St Paul's, Arran Quay. Cost €10 per person. To register please email angela.mcgarra@dublindiocese.ie. Places are limited.

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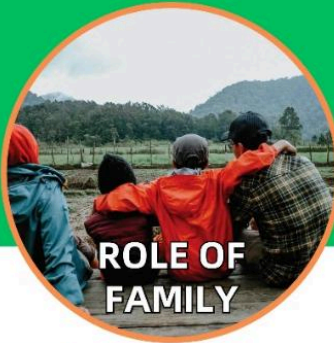
SACRAMENTS CONFERENCE

20TH JUNE 2026
10AM - 3PM

FOR PRIESTS,
PASTORAL WORKERS,
CATECHISTS and
PARISH SACRAMENTAL TEAMS



ROLE OF
PARISH



ROLE OF
FAMILY



ROLE OF
SCHOOL

At
St. Paul's
Arran Quay

COST
€10

PLACES ARE LIMITED

To register
contact
angela.mcgarra@dublindiocese.ie

www.dublindiocese.ie/missionministry

[\(PDF available here\)](#)

Teen Hope Leader's Training



Teen Hope

LEADER'S TRAINING

Teen Hope is a parish-based faith outreach to young teenagers. It is a space where they can build friendships, and encounter an experience of welcome, belonging and discipleship.

Modules focus on 'Building Community', 'Exploring Faith Together', and 'Praying with Teens'.

 7 pm to 9 pm - Training offered in 3 locations
Attendance at the 3 Sessions Compulsary

<p>Whitehall Parish Centre D09 E2R2</p> <p><u>Tuesday</u> May 19th May 26th June 2nd</p>	<p>Maynooth Parish Centre W23 EV2X</p> <p><u>Wednesday</u> May 20th May 27th June 3rd</p>	<p>Arklow Parish Centre Y14 R822</p> <p><u>Thursday</u> May 21st May 28th June 4th</p>
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 natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie

[\(PDF available here\)](#)

Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis

This 8-session course, run in St Paul's Arran Quay, is for current members of a Parish Sacramental Preparation Team or anyone who might be considering this important ministry. The course is divided into 4 foundation modules and 4 modules that explore Catechesis in practice. The course costs €200. Those who successfully complete the course will receive a certificate. For more information, and to apply for a place, please contact patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie.



DIOCESAN Certificate CATECHESIS

**8 Saturdays
10am to 4pm**

At St. Paul's Church
Centre for Mission and Ministry
19 Arran Quay
DUBLIN 7
D07 KX66

Part One: Foundations in Catechesis

12th September
10th October
7th November
5th December



Who is this for?

- Those who are already doing some parish catechesis
- Those who are members of parish sacramental teams - new or old
- Those who feel called to the ministry of catechist

Part Two: Catechesis in Practice

16th January
13th February
13th March
10th April



How much does it cost?

€200
for eight modules

TO APPLY EMAIL:
patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie
CLOSING DATE: 29th MAY 2026



Archdiocese of Dublin
Ard Deoise Átha Cliath

[\(PDF available here\)](#)

Being a Synodal Pastoral Council

Presidents and Chairs of Pastoral Councils are invited to St Paul's, Arran Quay to a workshop on May 18 at 7.15pm, where a new Diocesan Resource will be launched. This new resource will help Pastoral Councils to grow in their ministry to Parish and Pastoral Areas. To register for a place, please contact angela.mcgarra@dublindiocese.ie.

BEING A SYNODAL PASTORAL COUNCIL

A workshop for
Council Presidents and Chairs
launching the NEW
Pastoral Council Resource

**18th
MAY**

7.15pm - 9.15pm

**St Paul's
Arran
Quay**



To reserve your place please email: angela.mcgarra@dublindiocese.ie

[\(PDF available here\)](#)

Information evening for two courses

Pathways and Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis: Anyone who is interested in learning more about either, or both, of these courses is invited to an evening on May 25, St Paul's Arran Quay, beginning at 7.30pm. There will be an opportunity to hear more about the content and structure of each of these important courses and to ask questions. It would be helpful to know in advance if people are attending via an online registration form using this link: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/pZZiRiQAns>



PATHWAYS INTO MINISTRY

2 YEAR ADULT FAITH PROGRAMME

1ST YEAR FOCUS ON BASIC THEOLOGY OF GOD * JESUS * CHURCH * WORSHIP
WORD OF GOD * SACRAMENTS

2ND YEAR FOCUS ON MINISTRIES
ROLE OF LAITY * YOUNG PEOPLE *
LEADING PRAYER * BIBLE STUDY *
FAITH SHARING * PPCS

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of Dublin
Office of Mission
& Ministry

TWO COURSES

INFORMATION

25 MAY
7.30PM

ST PAUL'S ARRAN QUAY

EVENING



CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS

4 MODULES ON FOUNDATIONS IN CATECHESIS
4 MODULES ON CATECHESIS IN PRACTICE

SUITABLE FOR A GROUP FROM A PARISH TO GROW AS A TEAM



Scan the QR code to register or use this link:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/pZZiRiQAns>

[\(PDF available here\)](#)

BOOTERSTOWN CARETAKER ROLE

CARETAKER WANTED

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION BOOTERSTOWN PARISH

The role would include but not limited to:

- Day-to-day maintenance and minor repairs
- Maintenance of parish grounds/weeding.
- Ensure walls, fences and structures are properly maintained
- Coordinate with outside contractors for site maintenance and repairs
- Regular checks on drainage system
- Checks on grounds for tidying, weeding and litter control
- Oversee waste management
- Make sure heating, lighting and alarm systems are working properly
- Check doors and windows are locked daily after usage
- Order in cleaning materials, new equipment and furniture as required
- Set up rooms and arrange chairs and tables for meetings
- Daily cleaning duties throughout the Parish Pastoral Centre



APPLY NOW

If you are interested, please
forward your CV to
info@booterstowparish.ie

**The role will be a permanent part time
position.**

Ideally, the candidate would reside locally and have access to their own mode of transport. While practical DIY skills are not required, the candidate should be capable of coordinating necessary work by engaging appropriate service providers from a list of parish-approved contractors.

BALALLY PARISH

Living the Rule Together: The programme is available [at this link](#).

CLONTARF ROLE

FAITH DEVELOPMENT WORKER, Three Parishes of Clontarf and Dollymount

An exciting opportunity has arisen in the parishes of Clontarf.

We are looking for a Faith Development Worker for 28 hours per week.

- You will work across the Clontarf parishes to build up the faith of parents to confidently share their faith with their children.
- You will build ministry teams who can work with parents and children, especially in the sacramental preparation moments.
- You will also liaise with the school communities, linking parish and school.
- Ideally you should have experience of working with others in a Church setting, as well as an understanding of the theology of the sacraments.

TO APPLY CONTACT: Fr John O'Brien, clontarfstjohns@gmail.com

CLOSING DATE for APPLICATIONS: Friday 19th June 2026

DONORE AVENUE

Open to all parishes – please highlight in your bulletin: Donore Avenue was the first church in Ireland dedicated to the Little Flower following her canonisation. A centenary pilgrimage is being organised to Lisieux, September 18 to 21. Highlights include Mass at the tomb of St Therese, visit to the relics of St Therese at Basilica of St Therese, and Cathedral of Lisieux. Return flights, half board in excellent accommodation across the road from St Therese's tomb, all coaching and tours included, €795. Bookings are now due and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. For more information, phone 057 93 55050, WhatsApp 085 179 2364 or email us at info@myriam.ie. **Poster attached.**

GLASTHULE CONCERT

ALMA COLLEGE CHOIR

Michigan, USA



WITH
THE LORETO ABBEY SENIOR CHOIR
WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY 7PM
ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, GLASTHULE

A variety of spiritual,
sacred and traditional
songs for mixed voices

DIRECTORS

NAOIMH PENSTON
DR. NICOLE MATTFELD

FREE ENTRANCE

Concert In memory of Fr Billy Farrell & Fr Denis Kennedy
Donation boxes available for The Irish Cancer Society



DEVOTIONS, BALLYFERMOT UPPER

St Matthew's, Ballyfermot Upper, is to host the next of the Fatima Apparitions 1917 Monthly Cenacles on **Wednesday, May 13, at 2pm** following the same format the late Alice Cairns used, with Exposition, Rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, other prayers, reading from the blue book, stations of the Cross, Mass and opportunity for Confession. Those who attend may then decide where and in what way future devotions they wish to have. I would appreciate if those who are willing to help would contact me immediately as such support will be needed. Fr Piaras: 086 3445378.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, AUGHRIM STREET

Scripture and Prayer

Need a calm
break from the
busyness?

Wondering what
God might be
saying to you?

A GENTLE MOMENT WITH GOD'S WORD

Want to come
as you are?

Curious about
the Bible
but not sure
where to start?

Want a
quiet moment
in your week?

*"I am the way,
the truth and the life"*
(John 14:6)

Come for a short reading
and a moment together



Monday 10:30—11:00 AM
Tuesday 7:00—7:30 PM



CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY
Aughrim Street — Dublin 7
01 838 6232 / aughrimstchurch@gmail.com

Monthly Mass

in honour of

Saint Carlo
Acutis

with
Relic Blessing

All are welcome



Every Second Tuesday of the Month



6:30 PM



Church of the Holy Family

Aughrim Street, Dublin 7

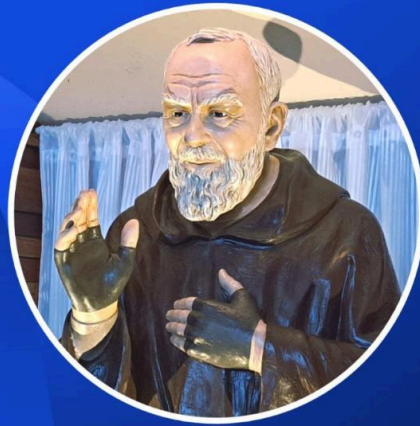
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| 01 838 6232

Monthly
Mass in
Honour of

Saint Padre Pio



Every First Monday
of the Month



Mass at 6:30 PM
Followed by prayers
& blessing with the
mitten of Saint
Padre Pio

All are welcome



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📍 [Aughrim Street Church](#)

🌐 www.aughrimstreetparish.ie

IRISH COLLEGE MUSICAL PILGRIMAGE

A MUSICAL PILGRIMAGE



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE PONTIFICAL IRISH
COLLEGE ON THE COELIAN HILL



29 - 4
JUNE/
JULY
2026

'CENTENARY IN SONG'

A Musical Pilgrimage for
liturgical music ministers in
Rome with *The Priests*

- Workshops
- Accommodation
- Liturgies
- Meals
- Cultural Site Visits
- Final Night Concert



For more information visit
irishcollege.org/musical-pilgrimage-2026

Visit <https://irishcollege.org/musical-pilgrimage-2026/>

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Ireland's International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock, County Mayo on Sunday, May 31. Board the coach at Earlsfort Terrace, D02 N527, at 7:45am and depart at 8am. This will be a very memorable pilgrimage, with a Mass led by Archbishop Eamon Martin, Primate of All Ireland, time for Adoration, anointing of the sick. We will stop in the Abbey Hotel, Roscommon Town, for tea/coffee break on the journey to Knock. On our journey home the coach will stop at the same hotel for an evening meal. If you have special dietary requirements, please inform members@knightsofstcolumbanus.ie / 085 2023225. The cost per pilgrim is €55 – please make contact to secure seats.

THE ORDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS

AREA 1, PILGRIMAGE 2026

★ SUNDAY 31st MAY ★

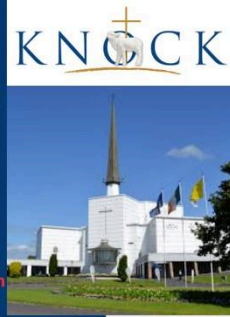


Reserve your seat by emailing:
members@knightsofstcolumbanus.ie
or Text 085-2023225

€55 Includes, Corduff Travel Luxury Coach,
Evening Meal in Abbey Hotel

Schedule of Pilgrimage *(estimated times)*

- 7:45am. Corduff Travel Luxury Coach in Position at Earlsfort Terrace
- 8:00am. Coach will depart from **National Concert Hall**
- 10:30am. Stop in Abbey Hotel, Roscommon Tea/Coffee & Scones (30 minutes)
- 12:15pm. Arrive in Knock
- 1:30pm. St John's Rest and Car Centre (Tea / Coffee)
- 2:15pm. Prepare for procession into Basilica
- 2:30pm. Anointing of the Sick in Basilica
- 3:00pm. Concelebrated Mass in Knock
- After Mass - Outdoor Rosary Procession
- 5:00pm. Coach will depart for Dublin
- 6:30pm. Dinner will be served in **Abbey Hotel, Roscommon-Depart at 7:45pm**
- 10:15pm. Arrive back to Dublin - Earlsfort Terrace



WORKSHOP ON CONTEMPORARY CHURCH MUSIC



An Eaglais Liútarach in Éirinn
Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche in Irland
The Lutheran Church in Ireland

SINGING GOD IN HARD TIMES

International Workshop on Contemporary Church Music

1st to 3rd MAY 2026

ST. FINIAN'S CHURCH
24 ADELAIDE ROAD
DUBLIN 2, D02 XP21

In our troubling times,
music is a powerful source
of spiritual expression and nourishment.
Today's church music scene is relevant,
vibrant and creative.

Led by renowned international hymnodists and
choir directors, this workshop is open to all.

FACILITATORS INCLUDE

Jochen Arnold – Germany
Fritz Baltruweit – Germany
John Bell – Scotland
Andy Bouman – USA
Kerry Houston – Ireland
Blánaid Murphy – Ireland
Kiran Young Wimberly – N. Ireland

Scan the QR code for programme details



CAMP VERITAS

Camp Veritas is a Residential Faith & Fun Camp, Supporting Young People 12 – 17 years explore and celebrate their Catholic Faith. Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare, June 23 to 28. [A flyer is available here.](#) Visit www.campveritasireland.org for more.

MATER DEI SCHOLARSHIP

The School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music is pleased to offer scholarships for the BA in Theology and World Religions for those entering the programme in the 2026-27 academic year. These scholarships are funded by the Mater Dei Scholarship and Grant Committee. The scholarships cover approximately half of the fees for the BATRS programme. For 2026-27 we are pleased to offer:

Three scholarships, covering €1400 per academic year, to be paid towards fees over four academic years. This covers approximately half of the module fees for the duration of the programme.

These scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis, and notification of awards will be made over the summer. One scholarship can be awarded per student.

The closing date for applications for the scholarships is 5pm, **Friday 5th June**. To apply, please send a letter of interest outlining your reasons for applying for the BA in Theology and Religious Studies at DCU, as well as your reasons for applying for the scholarship (1-2 pages, single spaced). This should be sent via email to Dr Marika Rose, Programme Chair of the BA in Theology and Religious Studies (marika.rose@dcu.ie).

If successful, in order to formally be awarded a scholarship, you will need to provide confirmation that you have applied to the programme on DCU's Student Application Portal.

Enquiries may be directed to Dr Marika Rose (marika.rose@dcu.ie).

GLENDALOUGH PILGRIMAGE WALKS

At the Glendalough Hermitage Centre we are delighted to offer parish groups from all localities a pilgrim experience in the valley of Glendalough, visiting the sacred sites associated with the 6th Century Saint Kevin and the monastic settlement which flourished through the Early Christian period in Ireland. Our project was initiated in the Jubilee Year 2000 by the Archdiocese of Dublin at the beginning of the third millennium, with the purpose of 'restoring Glendalough as a place of pilgrimage'. During the Jubilee Year 2025 many 'Pilgrims of Hope' experienced a life-giving day walking in the Valley of the Seven Churches. For 2026 we continue to extend this invitation to all new and returning parish groups seeking to experience a day of retreat, reflection and renewal in the beautiful Glendalough valley. For details and bookings visit www.glendaloughhermitage.ie.

MERCHANTS QUAY BOOKSHOP

Good News St Paul's Books and Gifts, Ireland's leading Catholic publisher and retailer of religious books, gifts, educational materials and parish resources, has opened in 4 Merchants Quay, Dublin 8. Email dublin@stpauls.ie or call 0892793978.

FUNDING

The Koch Foundation

(closing May 1st) Our mission is built on the Koch's vision "to strengthen and propagate the Roman Catholic faith by providing grant support for a wide variety of evangelization efforts". The Koch Foundation is international in scope and prioritizes on areas and populations most in need of a Catholic presence. As the Catholic Church has emphasized her global perspective, we also recognize our global responsibilities.

Benefact Trust

(rolling): capital, social, and evangelical projects. Whatever your project is, you should be considering this funder! Most projects are eligible.

Local Enhancement Programme

Check with your local county council for more details for your area. capital supports that are essential for many small community groups and organisations, particularly those who serve disadvantaged communities in rural and urban areas: There will be a particular focus on small capital works/improvements, and the purchase of equipment for community use. The funding may be used for, but is not limited to; improving access for persons with a disability; enhancing community participation for disadvantaged and marginalised groups, and improving energy efficiency of community facilities to reduce ongoing costs.

Heritage Council Community Heritage Scheme

- Conservation surveys, reports, plans, and audits that help guide the future care and management of buildings, monuments, habitats, collections, or objects.
- Conservation works to buildings, monuments, habitats, collections, or objects. These projects must consider their impact on biodiversity and climate, and include measures to support positive outcomes - such as restoring habitats, managing invasive species, or improving energy efficiency in heritage buildings.
- Workshops and training events that promote good heritage practice. Priority is given to projects focused on traditional building and craft skills, graveyard recording, and biodiversity training.

- Digital heritage projects, such as digitisation, online exhibitions, oral history recordings, podcasts, and films. All digital outputs funded by the scheme must be open, accessible, and freely available to the public.
- Purchase of specialised equipment or materials that support conservation work or help improve access to heritage.
- Inclusion The Heritage Council is especially interested in grant applications that improve access to heritage, helping more people to take part particularly individuals with disabilities and those from minority groups. Projects that address the heritage of minority groups such as Traveller culture are also encouraged.

SEAI Community Energy Grants

This list outlines the types of measures we want to support through the Communities grant programme.

- Building Fabric Upgrades
- Technology and System upgrades
- Integration of Control Systems
- Integration of renewable energy sources
- Domestic Combined Fabric Upgrade
- Single Building Demonstration projects will be considered under the Communities Grant.

I hope this list is helpful. There are many opportunities out there for parishes and dioceses to secure funding for any type of project.

Céire Sadlier

Grants Officer

Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference

Email: ceire.sadlier@jecon.ie

Telephone: 0868923336

WEEKLY EZINE

Sharing Good News is the newsletter of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. If you would like to receive this weekly ezine, you can do so at <https://catholicnews.ie/newsletter/>. You are encouraged to invite others to do so too. Send articles and photographs for use in *Sharing Good News* to info@catholicbishops.ie.



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

Fr Vasyl Kornitsky is Chaplain to the Ukrainian community and curate in Donnycarney Parish. He can be contacted at 086 2359561 or ugccie@gmail.com. Ukrainian Mass (Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom, Byzantine rite) is held every Sunday at 1pm in Our Lady of Consolation Church, Donnycarney.

THEWAY.IE

Notice for parish newsletters: *TheWay.ie* is a new digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops' Conference dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is intended to help people discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. Visit www.theway.ie.

FRENCH LANGUAGE MASS

Mass for the French-speaking Catholic community in Dublin in St Mary's Church, Haddington Road, is on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 12.30pm from September to June.

ITALIAN COMMUNITY

Italian Catholic Community Dublin. Masses in Aughrim Street Church every Saturday at 5.30pm (fourth Sunday of the month followed by community gathering). Other activities: Biblical Catechesis (online); Pre-marriage Catechesis: Rosary (online); Book Club (online). Facebook: <https://facebook.com/italiani.cattolici.a.dublino/>. Contact: Fr Coriolan Muresan. cattolici.dublin@gmail.com / coryolan26@yahoo.it / 012447995.

SUPPORT SERVICES

ADARE HR – PARISH CONTACT

For parish human resource queries please contact Conor McGann at 01 5490450 or archdparishes@adarehrm.ie. Please note for urgent or time-reliant queries please give as much notice as possible. Parishes are reminded that the HR Toolkit for line managers is available.

MOTHER AND BABY INSTITUTIONS PAYMENT SCHEME

The Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme launched in March 2024 following the Government agreed actions arising from the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby homes and certain related matters. The Payment scheme provides financial payments and health supports to eligible people who spent time in Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions in Ireland. Eligibility criteria can be found online, and applications can be made via an online portal (website [here](#)) or by post. Contact Helpline 01 5229922 (call to request application pack). All applications are handled with care, dignity and full confidentiality.

SUPPORT FOR BIRTH MOTHERS

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of Tusla at 0818 445500.

TOWARDS PEACE

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support for anybody who has been abused, physically emotionally, sexually, spiritually, in a religious/church environment. Towards Peace was established in October 2014 by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference and the Association of Leaders of Missionary & Religious Leaders of Ireland. (AMRI). The Towards Peace office hours are Monday and Tuesday 9am to 4pm and Wednesday 9am to 12noon. For further information phone 01 5053028 or 086 7710533 or visit www.towardspeace.ie or <https://www.facebook.com/TowardsPeaceSpiritualSupportService/>.

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Bethany Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary community and parish-based service. Our objective is to support the bereaved through the grieving process and our services are totally free of charge and confidential within the law. The name Bethany is derived from the story of Jesus' friends Martha & Mary who lived in a village called Bethany and grieved over the death of their brother Lazarus. Visit <https://bethany.ie/>.

AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit www.aware.ie.

There will be no parish notices next week

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