



Welcome to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour – Donnybrook Deanery – 8th March 2026 – Third Sunday of Lent

Email: secretary@foxrockparish.ie Phone: 012893492 – Parish Office Hrs.: 10.30am to 12pm (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri.)

Very Rev. Philip Bradley PP, Phone: 012891297|Fr. Paul Kenny CC| – Webcam via Parish Website [Webcam – Foxrock Parish](#) (Registered Charity No. 20016166)

Clarification

Over the past two weeks we've had a lot of Funeral Topics on the Airwaves! RIP.ie the Funeral Notice Website did a survey and told us that many people think they're entitled to so many minutes Eulogy/Words of appreciation at a funeral, etc. They felt this or that was normal and to be expected at a modern Service.

Then a few days later Liveline looked at the issue of some priests allow anything from a 'free for all' to others being very strict! On both occasions there seemed to be an understanding that some sort of Policy/Guidelines should be in place.

What struck me most, was that so many people seem to think that a Funeral is a celebration of the deceased person's life. This is not the case for a Catholic Funeral! In 2016 Dublin Diocese brought out a Funerals Policy/Brochure.

It sets the Context as follows: These rites are acts of public worship at which a number of elements are involved: 1. God is praised
2. the Resurrection of Jesus is proclaimed conveying the hope of being gathered together again in God's kingdom; 3. prayers are offered for the soul of the deceased person, 4. **their body is honoured and the bereaved are consoled**

The funeral doesn't celebrate the person's life, we thank God for the good they have received and pray for them, and offer Condolence to the bereaved. The 'Words of Appreciation' make sense, in the context of the Diocesan Policy.

Fr Philip (See the Diocesan Website)

The Foxrock Conference of **St. Vincent de Paul** is holding its March Collection this weekend after all Masses.
All Donations are most welcome.

The Foxrock Lectio Divina group will be presenting **Prayer Around The Cross** on Good Friday at 7pm in Foxrock Church. We would encourage you to attend as it is powerful.

The **"Prayer Around The Cross"** is a unique event that has been put together by the Foxrock Lectio Divina Group on each Good Friday. It's will last for approx.. 45 minutes. Central to the event is a script written each year and narrated by a member of the Group. The script focuses on one person who was connected in some way to the events of Good Friday. This person shares with those present in the church how those events might have affected him/her. For example last year the script centred on Pontius Pilate. The narration is interspersed with beautiful Taize chants sung by Goretti. Throughout the narration members of the Group take turns to read a prayer that makes the narration relevant to our modern world. There are also short periods of silence enabling those present to listen, reflect and pray.

Tommy Monaghan.

FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

The History Club's Next Public Lecture is on: Tuesday 10/03/2026 in The Foxrock Pastoral Centre @ 8.00 P.M.

ANAM CARA - Parent Support Evenings;
2nd Mon of each month Jan - June 7.30pm - 9pm.
See Foxrock Parish Website for more information.

Community Garda Clinic in Foxrock Parish
Pastoral Centre on Tuesday 10th March at 10.30am. All are welcome!

Please see our [Parish Website](#) for items that may not be included in the Newsletter.

Trocaire Boxes are available in the Church porches, please take one and return after Easter.

COMMUNITY CONNECT DRIVE & DROP

DONATE TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED!
SUNDAY MARCH 8th 10.30PM-12.30PM
in the Church Car Park.

***See Parish Website/Church Noticeboard for more information.**

Purple Day (or Epilepsy Awareness Day) will take place on Thursday 26th March. Please visit purpleday.org.

The Sunday Mass Café is open for refreshments after the 10 am and 11.30 am Sunday Masses. It's also open Monday to Friday. All are welcome.

"Baptised and Sent"

Our joint Lenten Programme concludes this Tuesday, March 10th at 7.30 pm. The final meeting (1 hour session) is held in our Partnership Parish of Guardian Angels Newtownpark Avenue.

THE DIVINE MASTERS CENTRE, Newtownpark Avenue.

Edel Quinn Holy Hour, the 2nd Thursday of each month from 7.30pm – 8.30pm.

Easter Triduum.

This year we will again have Easter Triduum Cards. At the masses of Holy Thursday, Easter Sat/Vigil and Easter Sunday, we will especially remember those whose names are on the Easter Triduum, we won't take particular names for the masses. The Cards are available in the Parish Office for €10. It's a nice tradition which we apply to Christmas too. **Fr Philip PP**

The Priory Institute is an accredited centre for theological, biblical and philosophical studies, established by the Irish Province of the Dominican Order. Why not join our supportive student community?

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The Old Dublin Society

Seamas Ó Maitiú will recall 'The Bombing of the Masterpiece Cinema, Talbot Street, in November 1925' at 6 p.m. on Wednesday March 11th in the Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, 139-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. All are welcome – admission is free and no booking is required.
J. Scannell, Hon PRO, The Old Dublin Society.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 7th March 6pm Vigil:

John Howard – Months Mind
Nuala Loftus – 1st Anniversary
Tom & Mai Barry – Anniversary
John Flynn – Anniversary
Bairbre Kilmurray – Anniversary

Sunday 8th March 10am:

Seán Collins – 15th Anniversary
D.P. & Kathleen Lowry – Anniversaries
Anastasia Shine – Anniversary
Laurence Shine – Birthday Remembrance

Sunday 8th March 11.30am:

Patrick May – 1st Anniversary
Richard Nolan – 6th Anniversary
John Russell – Anniversary
John & Brigid Tipper – Anniversaries
Hugh & Margaret McGinn – Anniversaries

The Archdiocese is looking for a dynamic and motivated Parish Partnership Funding Support Officer to facilitate strategic fundraising initiatives across parish partnerships. This role is central to helping parishes adapt to evolving patterns of giving and ensuring sustainable financial development. To apply, please submit your CV and Cover Letter (maximum one page) outlining your suitability for the role for the attention of Cintia Mota, HR Administrator, at cintia.mota@dublindiocese.ie. The closing date for applications is **Friday, March 20, 2026.**

Full details including Candidate Booklet can be found at <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/vacancies/>

Mass: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri @ 10am - **Sat Vigil 6pm** - **Sun 10am & 11.30am Confession:** 5.20-5.50pm on Saturday in Confession Box or by Appointment.