

THE GREATER FINGLAS PARISH



Dear Friends,

As the shortage of priests becomes more obvious in Finglas, the parishes of St. Canices & St. Margarets, St Oliver Plunketts & St. Finians and the Annunciation in Finglas West have been meeting to plan the next steps. The future of the Greater Finglas Parish is taking a new shape as we all make changes together. We are aware that the Greater Finglas Parish is still growing.

Fr. Richard Hyland has been appointed as Parish Priest of all three Parishes in Finglas and will head up a newly commissioned Parish Team, many of whom will already be familiar to you.

All the resources of the three Parishes will, in the months ahead begin to work together for the Greater Finglas Parish. These changes are being seen as an opportunity for all of us to come together as a stronger Parish. The journey ahead is not without its challenges but we are more confident now together in all that lies ahead.

We are all very aware and grateful for the loyalty and esteem within which each parish is held and we aim to maintain a constant presence in each of the churches of the Greater Finglas Parish. As we work together for the Greater Finglas Parish we promise to keep you all up to date with all our news. Keep an eye out for the bulletins in any of the Finglas churches you attend.

In this our first joint newsletter we bring you news of some of the first changes as we ask for your continuing support and prayers for the work ahead.

With sincerest thanks from,

The New Parish Team of the Greater Parish of Finglas.

Mass Changes:

An important commitment of all is to ensure, where possible a presence in all five of the Mass centres in the Greater Finglas Parish. This will inevitably mean that there will be a reduction in the number of Masses available in some of our Parish Centres.

Effective from

Weekend of July 2nd / 3rd

CHANGES TO MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES

St. Finian's Oratory 5pm.
St. Canice's 6pm
Annunciation Finglas West (St Fergals School) 6.30pm

SUNDAY MORNING MASS.

St. Margaret's: 10.00am
The Annunciation: 10.00am
St. Oliver Plunketts: 11.30am.
St. Canice's: 11.30am

**THESE CHANGES WILL COMMENCE ON THE
WEEKEND OF 2nd AND 3rd JULY**

The Parish Team:

The New Parish Team of the Greater Finglas Parish will be led by Fr. Richard Hyland PP, and two full-time curates, Fr. Michael Shiels (CC) and Fr. Martin Hogan (CC) who has recently been appointed to the team.

Fr. Eamann Cahill in Finglas West and Fr. Séamus Ahearne in Rivermount, have been appointed by His Grace Archbishop Dermot Farrell, as Team Assistants. We are very thankful for a committed and strong Pastoral Team with experienced members from each of the Finglas Parishes. We will also benefit from the appointment of a new Pastoral Worker, Mr. Christopher Okereka, who has spent many years working in other parishes.



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Rivermount Parish

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St. Finian's Oratory
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The Road Ahead:

The Greater Parish of Finglas spans an immense geographical area and our Parish is still growing. With this in mind we must plan for a future with more people in Finglas than there are currently. We are thankful to have a mixed community in age and a diverse community in makeup. The Greater Parish of Finglas currently supports the children attending the 14 Primary Schools in our Parish.

To continue our work, we will need your support in many different ways as we make new plans. There is no doubt that things will be somewhat different but we will endeavour, with your help to make the changes easier for all and we will keep you updated as we do. We will reach out to you for help from time to time for help in our work and we sincerely hope you will answer our call.