

Zion Parish Notices

September 2026

Many thanks to all those who helped at Heritage Day on Saturday 29th August. Mike O'Neill's talk on the architecture of the Church of Ireland was timely as we look at the repainting and lighting of our building. The poets gave us humour, memory, colour and emotion to kick things off. Lux Brumalis choir and The Last Rose String Quartet performed beautiful pieces and Stephen's cakes and cookies were delicious.

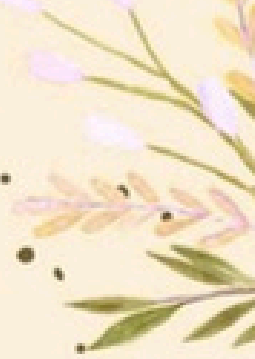


Our Beautiful Church
open to visitors

Zion Parish Heritage Day 2026



September Services



Please note that there will be
no Wednesday services on the 9th or 16th

Wednesday 2nd

10.30am Wholeness and Healing

Sunday 6th

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

9am Holy Communion (trad)

10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 13th

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

9am Holy Communion (trad)

10.30am Holy Communion & Holy Baptism

We welcome Henrik Raymond Taylor in Holy Baptism

Sunday 20th

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

9am Holy Communion (trad)

10.30am **Back to Church Sunday** Family Service
followed by Teddy's ice cream in church grounds

Wednesday 23rd

10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 27th

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

CULTURE NIGHT

Zion Parish Church

18th September - 19.30 to 20.30



The Last Rose STRING QUARTET

FREE ADMISSION



Zion Parish Church, 6 Zion Rd, Rathgar

Green Zion

A shared project between Zion Parish and Zion Parish Primary School

We are registered with Eco-Congregation Ireland (ECI) which is a voluntary organisation encouraging churches of all denominations to incorporate sustainability and environmental awareness into worship, property and finance management, daily living, community outreach and contact with the developing world.

Last year, we received the Awareness Certificate. This year we received the Endeavour Certificate.

Awareness Certificate → **Endeavour Certificate** → The Award → The Gold Award

Climate Action Fund 2026: Community Garden Learning Hub @ Zion

We are delighted to announce that we have received funding from Dublin City Council through the Climate

Action Fund. The first stage of the project has been completed with the installation of composters and a wormery under the Holm Oak along Zion Road. There are three Static Composters (600-litre capacity each), a Hot Composter (200-litre capacity), a Rotating Composter (200-litre capacity) and a Wormery system. The worms were introduced by some of the children from the School and are settling in well.



Autumn Course

Thursdays
10.30 am - 12 pm
22 October - 26 November
€70 (5 Weeks)

The Gardened Soul: A Path to an Abundant Life

Facilitator: Rev'd David White

How can the spirituality of gardening help to create a fuller life?
Through spirituality and theology, mythology and literature, we will explore what it means to be human in an imperfect world blessed with opportunity.

Call Us +353 1 288 2075 |
info@lumenop.ie

Zion Church - Film Location

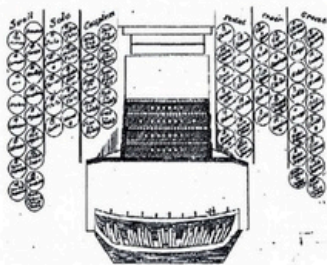


On Tuesday 25th August, Strand Films filmed scenes for a forthcoming Irish Independent feature film entitled 'Mary Rose'. Our beautiful organ played a starring role.

Zion Church took on the role of Ennis Cathedral c.1950.

The film is written and directed by Colm Bairéad, director of the acclaimed film 'An Cailín Ciúin'. Actress Zara Devlin, who starred in *Small Things Like These* will play a lead role in the production.

(She was Sarah, the girl in the convent who Cillian Murphy finds in the coal shed in *Small Things Like These*.)



THE WONDROUS MACHINE @ St PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL DUBLIN

28 August 2026

Autumnal greetings from St Patrick's Cathedral!

We're delighted to invite you and your parishioners to join us for a short series of organ recitals showcasing the magnificent Willis Organ celebrating its 124th birthday this year.

Concerts are free and we've the big screen up so everyone can see exactly what goes on high up in the organ loft.

If you wouldn't mind displaying a poster for us, we'd be extremely grateful to you. There are also more details on our website, should you rather, www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/org26

With all best wishes,

Stuart Nicholson

Stuart Nicholson
Master of the Music

Saint Patrick's Cathedral Dublin Organ Recitals

AUTUMN 2026 SERIES
Sundays at 7.00pm

It was the Irish poet, Nicholas Brady who coined the phrase "The Wondrous Machine" to describe the organ, and with over 4,000 pipes, 80 speaking stops spread over 4 manuals and pedals, the organ in St Patrick's is no exception.

13 September

DAVID LEIGH

20 September

TRISTAN RUSSCHER

27 September

SIMON HARDEN

4 October

ALEKSANDR NISSE

11 October

DAVID LEIGH

Admission Free

Further information available from
www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/org26



Thank you from St Lukes



Ms Deirdre Hoey
Zion Parish Office
Zion Church
Bushy Park Road
Dublin 6

31/08/2026

Dear Zion Church Community,

On behalf of everyone at Friends of St Luke's, thank you all sincerely for your extremely generous donation of €510, from your tea/coffee morning collections.

For over forty years, the kindness and support of our community have made an extraordinary difference to the lives of patients and families receiving care within St Luke's Radiation Oncology Network. Your contribution continues this legacy, helping us provide not only world-class treatment, but also comfort, dignity, and compassion at every stage of the cancer journey.

Your generosity will help improve and enhance all aspects of cancer care across St Luke's Radiation Oncology Network, including our hospital in Rathgar and our centres in Beaumont Hospital and St James's Hospital. Every donation helps us support patients and their families during what can often be one of the most difficult times in their lives.

As the only facility in Ireland delivering radiation therapy to children, your support also has a particularly meaningful impact on young patients and their families, helping us provide care that is compassionate, family-centred, and tailored to their unique needs.

Most importantly, your kindness reminds every patient and family that they are not facing cancer alone. Your support brings hope, comfort, and strength to so many people when they need it most.

We are deeply grateful for your generosity and for standing with us in our mission.

With heartfelt thanks,

Catrina Addie
Catrina Addie
The Friends of St Luke's

Always putting the patient first

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The Friends Of St Luke's Classic & Exotic Car Show

September 6th 11am to 4pm
St Luke's Hospital, Rathgar



Explore an incredible display of classic and exotic cars, treat yourself to delicious coffee, donuts, ice-cream and burgers, and enjoy a fantastic family day out

St George and St Thomas Church would like to invite all at Zion to a prayer time for the Season of Creation (St George and St Thomas Church, Cathal Brugha Street, D01 E654). Please join in and if you'd like to help / contribute contact Anne at stgeorgestthomas@gmail.com



Supported by



Memory Walk

Sunday
20th
September

Together we walk. Together we remember.

DEER PARK, MOUNT MERRION
LOCATION: Meeting Point Beside the Playground

12 Noon, Sunday 20th September
TIME: (Parking available in the Church Carpark)



SIGN UP TODAY!

Call 012073833 or
visit memorywalk.ie

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Ecumenical Prayer Service

to mark the Season of
Creation 2026

 Sunday 20 September

 4:30pm

 St George and St Thomas
Church, Cathal Brugha
Street, Dublin 1

All welcome



Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER
Ezekiel 47:9, 12

Parish Hall Activities Autumn 2026

MONDAYS

9.30am - 10.30am Michele Irvine

Monday Pilates

Contact: irvinemichele@gmail.com

11.30-12.30am

Real Bodies Pilates

Contact: rosalindmcmanus@yahoo.com

Ladybirds 5.15pm - 6.15pm

Contact: Kate katebunworth@gmail.com

Brownies 6.15pm - 7.45pm

Contact: randallsarah11@gmail.com

Guides 7.15pm - 8.45pm

Contact: randallsarah11@gmail.com

'LeesonGar' Venture Scouts 8pm - 9pm

Contact Group Leader

Ronan O'Byrne: (087) 3577500

TUESDAYS

Fitness League

10:30 - 11:30 Contact: Valerie (087) 6717096

Active Retired (senior group)

2:30 - 3:30pm Contact: Valerie (087) 6717096

12pm - 1pm

Real Bodies Pilates

Contact: rosalindmcmanus@yahoo.com

Healer Prayer Union

8pm First Tuesday each month

Contact: cathyslye@itc.ie

Jill Anderson Public Speaking Coaching

Contact: jillspeechanddrama@gmail.com

Table Tennis

8pm Contact: jim.king@ajking.ie

WEDNESDAYS

10.00am-12.00pm Mother & Toddler

Group

A very popular group, admission is on a first-come basis

Hablo Espagnol Spanish Classes for kids

3.30pm - 5.40pm

Contact David:

habloespanolcourses@gmail.com

6pm - 9.30pm (3 classes)

Real Bodies Pilates

Contact: rosalindmcmanus@yahoo.com

THURSDAYS

Pilates Class with Lisa Singleton

9.30am - 10.30am

Contact: lisasingleton1805@gmail.com

Fitness League

11am - 12pm Contact: Valerie (087) 6717096

Involve Autism Group 4.30-6.30pm

Contact: renaithlyons@gmail.com

FRIDAYS

Quilting Bee 2.15pm - 5.15pm fortnightly

Contact: orlakelly54321@gmail.com

SATURDAYS

Yoga with Niamh 9-9.45am & 10-10.45am

087 2057190

Girls' Brigade 2pm-6pm

Contact Gillian: GLESWARE@svhg.ie

Gillian at (087) 797 0688

Bowls Club 7pm-10pm

Contact: Ray RJORDAN@tcd.ie

Notices

Montessori Places available in Rathgar: Daoine Beaga Rathgar (based in Tennant Hall, Christ Church Rathgar) has places available September 2026 for children age 2 years 8 months to 5 years old. Please contact An Múinteoir Máirín Ní Fheidh @ 086 325 9241, for any enquiries. All welcome.

Zion Men's Breakfast Gathering: 1st Tuesday of the month at 9.30am in the Fat Cat Café, Rathgar. Please text Christian Schaffalitzky on 086 253 7948 if you would like to attend in order to provide the café with numbers.

Alice Leahy Trust Collection: Donations of clothes for the homeless are always very welcome. Items can be left at the back of the church. They are very short of toothbrushes and disposable razors – so donations of these items particularly welcome at the moment.

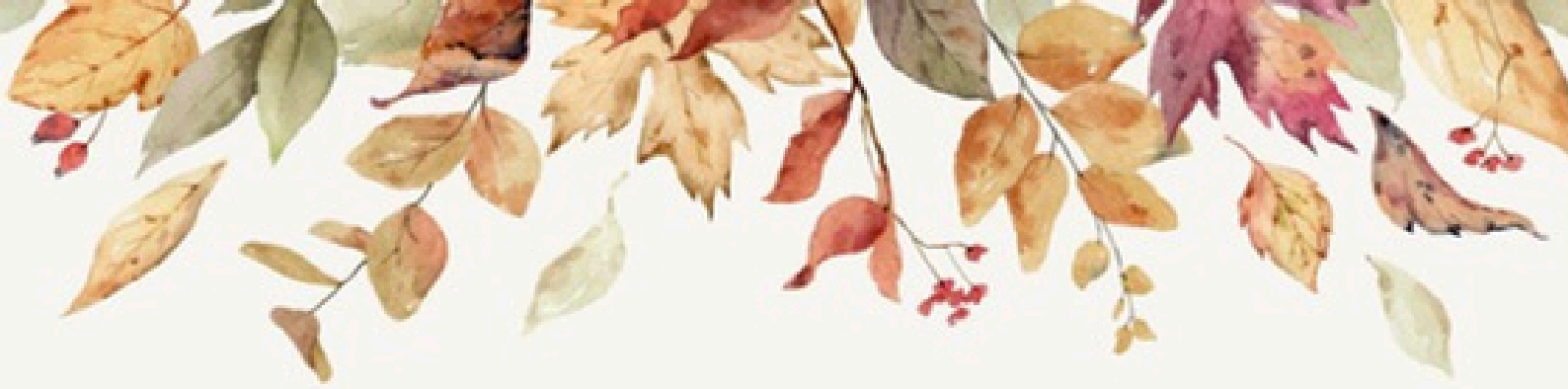
Confirmation group 2027: We will start putting together a schedule of classes in the Autumn/winter for the confirmation group of 2027. If you are interested please contact Deirdre at zionparish@gmail.com

A poster for yoga classes featuring a woman in a black yoga top performing a pose against a sunset background. The text is white and bold.

YOGA WITH NIAMH
ZION PARISH HALL
D06H1X6
SATURDAY
YOGA WITH FREE WEIGHTS
9 AM - 9.45 AM
SATURDAY
YOGA FOR ALL
10AM - 10.45AM
Click [HERE](#) to book
niamhdns@gmail.com
087-2057190
@ndyogadays

A poster for Zion Parish Women's Gathering with a floral border. The text is in red and black.

ZION PARISH
Women's Gathering
ON FRIDAY AFTERNOONS*
3pm - 4.30pm
Come & have a cuppa and a chat in the meeting room of the Parish Hall.
All are welcome.
Bring your friends & neighbours along.
*Dates: September 11th
October 2nd
November 6th
December 11th



ZION PARISH

Harvest Supper

Saturday 3rd October
7pm Parish Hall

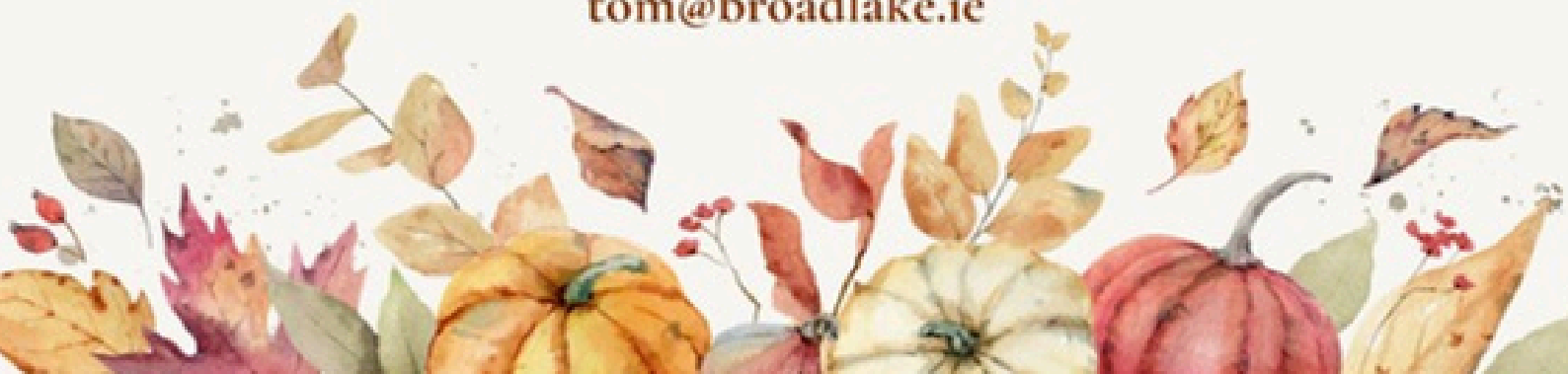
€35

or €40 to include an optional €5 donation to the parish

3 course meal by Bijou

*Come along to celebrate harvest and
raise funds for the Parish.*

Tickets available in Church,
Parish Office zionparish@gmail.com
& via Tom Smyth 086 2018119
tom@broadlake.ie



BOOK SALE

FROM THE COLLECTION OF
BRENDAN BYRNE

**Rare and antique hardcovers, history,
biography, politics, vintage paperbacks,
graphic novels, music, poetry, plays**

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

12:00–1800

**ZION PARISH HALL, ZION ROAD,
RATHGAR D06 NW62**

Proceeds to Médecins Sans Frontières



BOOK SALE FROM THE COLLECTION OF BRENDAN BYRNE

Book lovers who want to pick up a bargain should come along to the Zion parish hall on Saturday September 12, where they will find hundreds of book treasures from the collection built by local resident Brendan Byrne over his lifetime. Brendan was an avid reader and a history buff, and the sale will include new hardback history and biography volumes, local history, vintage paperback fiction, beautiful Folio editions, poetry, plays, a huge range of graphic novels, and many rare and vintage books including first editions. His family will donate proceeds from the sale to Médecins Sans Frontières.

ZION PARISH CHURCH

Back to Church Sunday

FAMILY SERVICE AT 10.30AM
FOLLOWED BY TEDDY'S ICE CREAM IN THE
CHURCH GROUNDS

ALL ARE WELCOME

**Sunday 20th
September 2026**

