

Methodist Centenary Church

Wesley House, Leeson Park, Dublin 6

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Announcements on 22th October 2025

Our Mission Statement

Our Mission is to receive God's love and to share it with others through our Welcome, our Worship, our Community and our Service.

Sunday 27th October

Service of worship with Mrs Gillie Hinds. During the running of the Dublin Marathon the N11 is open both ways so Wesley House can be reached. The map below gives more detail.

Book Club

Our book choice for October was *In Good Time* by Rev Harold Good and everyone agreed that it was a very good read. Our choice for November is *James* by Percival Everitt.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month from 12.30-2.00pm in Room 1, Wesley House. Each month we choose a book from a wide range of genres including biography, crime fiction, historical novels, humour and children's novels. We always have a lively discussion, with very varied opinions. We currently have 15 members and would be delighted to increase our numbers. If you would be interested in joining us, please contact Sylvia on sylviahroddie@gmail.com

Thought for the week

Before & after

I am very thankful to Alan Perry for garden advice. In particular, I had no experience of bamboo. He demonstrated how to expose the beauty of the canes and maintain a healthy clump by removing the deadwood, brush and lower stems. Before starting work he suggested that we take *'before & after'* photos.



The front and back gardens and perimeter walls of the new Manse in 7 Butterfield Court had become overwhelmed by climbing ivy, honeysuckle and clematis, and work was already underway before these other *'before and after'* photos were taken (thank you Daniel Kojo and the Rankin family).

The back is now complete and minimal maintenance will be required. The previous owners had done a lovely paving job and revealing it has been very satisfying. The love seat that the family gave me for my 60th birthday gives a nice focus at the back, and garden furniture gifted by the Odlum family of Arranmore Road completes the garden.



Likewise the front is taking shape, and a great team worked through heavy rain on Monday to clear the mountain of debris and clean the driveway.





Thinking of Alan's '*before & after*' caused me to ponder the work of Christ in our lives. Dean Said shared his story with us in Tallaght on Sunday. A Liverpoolian seaman, he had docked in Dublin Port as a twenty three year old. Billy Jones, of the Seafarers Christian Friend Society boarded the vessel and as Dean and his mates were drunk, conversation must have seemed fruitless. Still, he distributed Gideon testaments. Dean asked him to write something inside the cover. He wrote, '*Tash, from Billy, 2 Cor. 5 v 17, 12.12.85*' (Tash was Dean's nickname). For years Dean thought that the verse said, 'The demon drink is the ruination of all men' as that was Dean's life *before* he encountered Jesus, but the verse pointed to the glorious possibility of a better *after*. 'If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, the old has gone, the new has come'. Dean was baptised by Rev Katherine Kehoe and is now a wonderful Church officer in Tallaght Methodist Church.

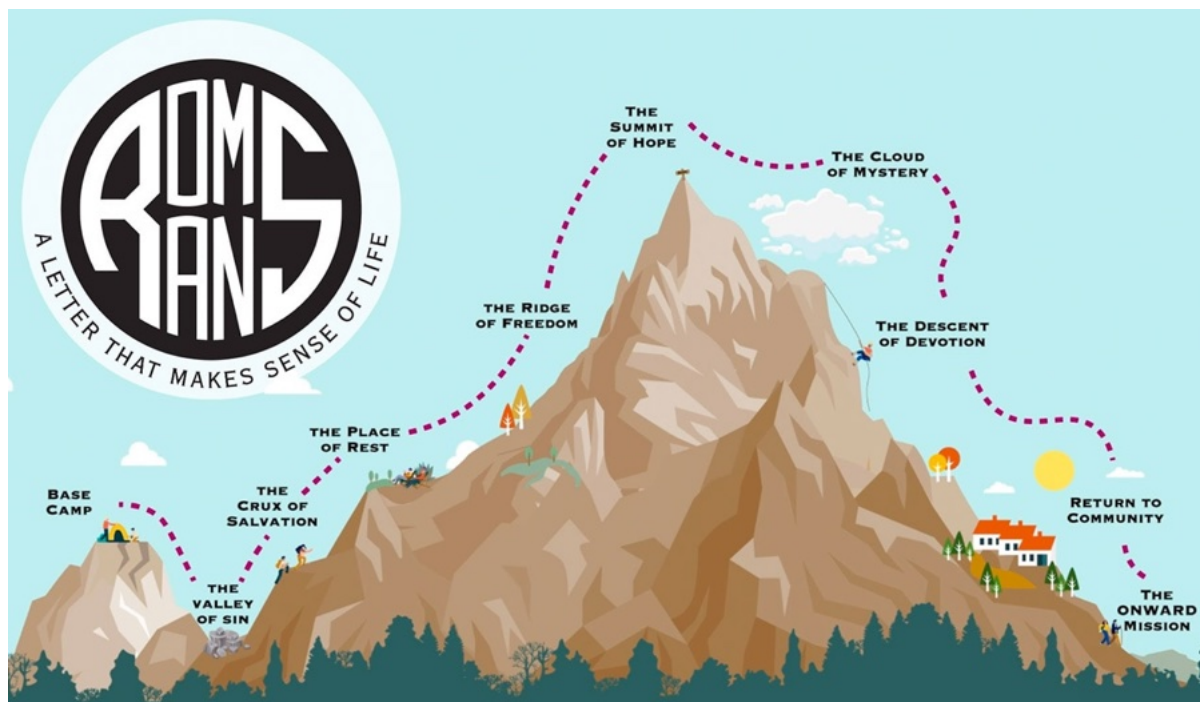
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Prayer



Loving Lord, we thank you today for your grace in our lives. May that work that you have begun in us be carried on to completion until the day of Christ, Amen

Bible Study – The Romans Course **tonight**



Our weekly Bible Study series continues on **Wednesday, 22nd October at 7:30pm**. We'll be exploring The Romans Course together. All are welcome to join! I highly recommend this 10 week course.

You'll find the course notes attached as a PDF via this link. [The Romans Course.pdf](#) We encourage you to download them to save on printing. A limited number of printed copies will also be available for anyone who can't access them on a phone or printer.

Monthly Morning Holy Communion

There is a monthly morning Holy Communion Service on the second Wednesday of each month from 10.00–10.30am in Room 1 followed by the Friendly Room.

Friendly Room

The Friendly Room meets on Wednesdays in Room 1, Wesley House. If you are free, do drop in for a cuppa and a chat between 10.30 and 12 noon. All are welcome—it's a great spot to catch up, enjoy good company, and share a bit of banter.

Sky's The Limit

Sky's the Limit continues on 4th November, 2nd December; 3rd February 2026, 3rd March 2026, 5th May 2026 (no session in January or on the Tuesday after Easter). Please save the dates.

Connect ... through English

Connect ... through English meets weekly in Room 1 of Wesley House on Thursday mornings. (10.30 am – noon) It is open to people who have come to Ireland with hopes of making it their home for the short or long term. A team of South City Circuit members, working 4 at a time, take it in turns to host the gathering. We chat over cups of tea or coffee and join in an activity that gives further opportunity for practising oral English. No two weeks are the same.

People come to Ireland for all sorts of reasons – e.g. education, work, in search of asylum or sometimes with Refugee status which has already been granted.

All are welcome. If you are interested, whether to join the team of facilitators, or as a participant, please just come along or email us at english@methodistcentenary.ie

Church Giving Envelopes

If you would like a pack of church giving envelopes for 2026 (and did not have one this year), please contact Lynne Pasley at lynnepasley@gmail.com. Thank you

Sunday 27 October 2025 Dublin Marathon

Due to the Dublin Marathon there are traffic restrictions in place. However I can confirm following a conversation with the Race Master, those from outside the route can approach Leeson Park via the N11. He has added the following to the Marathon website: **NOTE: The N11 is open both ways as the runners pass under the UCD flyover.** The Luas is also running as normal to Ranelagh Station. The route is outlined in white in the map below.

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God's Storehouse in Tallaght



Please put donations of non-perishable food in the basket in the Coffee Bar at Wesley House

Giving to the church

Standing Order or Bank Transfer:

Bank: AIB Bank plc, 7/12 Dame Street, Dublin 2

Account Name: Methodist Centenary Church Council No. 3 Account

BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE89AIBK93122526909346

 Please include your **offering envelope number** so that the church can avail of tax relief on our donations.

 Questions? Please contact Alan Perry.

Tax Back Tax Relief Scheme

A taxpayer who contributes €250 to the church in a year enables the church to recover €112.82 from the Revenue Commissioners thereby increasing the donation to €362.82, and pro rata for donations of over €250. This scheme brought in over €17,000 last year. To register, you need an envelope number and a CHY3 form from Lynne Pasley. This latter is valid for 5 years and doesn't commit you to make any future donations.

Debit or credit card

A card reader is placed in the Coffee Bar each Sunday through which donations can be made using a debit or credit card.

Cheque

If you can not come to church and you contribute by cheque we ask you to post your cheque, quoting your envelope number, to Billy Given. You can contact him at billygiven115@gmail.com

Forthcoming Services at 10.30am

November 2 Service of Holy Communion with Rev Andrew Kingston

November 9 Service of worship with Rev Andrew Kingston

Local preachers

Our local preachers take services regularly on the circuit and sometimes outside it. The current preaching plan includes:

November 2 10.00 Tallaght Ms Mary Peters

November 9 10.00 Tallaght Mrs Gillie Hinds

Text for Announcements

Text for inclusion in the Announcements should be sent to news@methodistcentenary.ie. The deadline is 10.00am on Wednesday morning.

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