A heartfelt welcome to Journey on Earth – The Hospice Garden from Our Lady’s Hospice & Care Services. This garden reflects our belief that Palliative Care is not preparation for the end of life; it is rather an opportunity to celebrate one’s life and time on earth.

A sensory oasis to help you relax, reflect and remember.
Our Plants

**Herbs**
- Petroselinum crispum
- Mentha
- Ocimum basilicum
- Rosmarinus officinalis
- Thymus vulgaris ‘Silver Queen’

**Herbaceous**
- Allium glaucum ‘Globemaster’
- Papaver orientalis
- Hosta ‘Frances williams’
- Hosta sieboldiana ‘Elegans’
- Agapanthus Africans
- Iris sibirica
- Lilium ‘Casa Blanca’

**Shrubs**
- Cornus alternifolia “Argentea”
- Ilex ‘Blue prince’
- Pinus strobus ‘Nana’
- Senecio compacta ‘Drysdale’
- Buxus sempervirens

**Climbers**
- Clematis ‘Perle d’Azure’

SPECIAL FEATURES

Look out for the special Palliative Care features in our garden:

- **Our Patient Potting Bench**, designed by our Head Gardener, Eileen Nolan is wheelchair accessible and can be used by our patients to work on and as an area to display their plants.
- The garden’s water feature has a gentle flow so that it can be enjoyed by all our patients, even those who are sensitive to loud noises.
- **Blue Limestone paving material** was chosen as it is a natural stone which doesn’t cause any glare from sunlight.
- Some of the plants can be touched, releasing a scent and allowing for contact with nature.
- A living sculpture of a grey heron feeding its young represents the generosity of our supporters over the years. Designed by Ciara Foster, it is made of natural materials.
- Calm cool colours are reflected in the planting and the general colour scheme of the garden.
- A section of our plants today were grown on our grounds in Harold’s Cross.

Our Garden

It reinforces the feeling of peace and reconciliation found in our organisation’s gardens in both Harold’s Cross and Blackrock. The vital role played by these gardens in our patients’ spiritual and emotional journeys are echoed here with areas provided for social interaction or quiet reflection, both complimented by a variety of gentle sensory experiences for our visitors.

The garden you see today will move to a permanent home on our hospice grounds in Harold’s Cross and will be open to the public from July 28th.

This garden will be part of our Open Gardens fundraising event which runs from May – August. Visit www.hospiceopengardens.ie
THANK YOU!

A huge Thank You to our design team: Eileen Nolan (Head Gardener, Our Lady’s Hospice & Care Services), Dr Mary Toomey (Botanist, gardener, author and lecturer) and Adrian Eggers, Living Designs (www.livingdesigns.ie). Our thanks also to:

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- Garden Advice Group from BLOOM
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ABOUT OUR LADY’S HOSPICE & CARE SERVICES

Our Lady’s Hospice and Care Services was founded in 1879 by the Religious Sisters of Charity as Ireland’s first Hospice facility. The organisation now has facilities in both Harold’s Cross and Blackrock where specialist care is provided for people with a range of needs from rehabilitation to end of life care. Our team also provide care services in the local community where they visit people in their homes.

Part-funded by the HSE, Our Lady’s Hospice & Care Services relies on fundraising, donations and legacies to develop and maintain the highest quality of service to those in our care.

For more information visit www.olh.ie

WE’D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!
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