

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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November 29th/30th 2014 - First Sunday of Advent

Mass for the coming week:

Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

Confession (Rite I): Before Saturday evening Mass from 5.45p.m.

Rite II: First Saturday of the month after evening Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Pardon Sunday)

will take place before all Masses next weekend

Advent Healing Service

Thursday 11th December at 7:30 pm

Advent provides us with an opportunity to open our hearts to God. It is a time when we are conscious of our need for God in our lives; we need his love; his healing and forgiveness. It is a time when we do not only reach out to God but to one another.

During this Healing Service we will reflect on God's Word; receive anointing and remember in a special way all who have asked for prayers; the service will conclude with absolution.

Next weekend (6th/7th December) you can write down the intentions you want prayed for during the Services and place them in the box which will be available at the front of the altar.

Crosscare Food Appeal

With Christmas approaching, the Crosscare Food Banks are struggling to keep up with demand for food, especially from families with young children. In response to this growing need in the Archdiocese, parishes are being asked to bring non-perishable food items to Masses **next weekend**. Boxes will be placed at the doors of the church. Overall last year, Crosscare redistributed over 750 tonnes of food. This year the demand has almost doubled. Any support you can give will be very much appreciated.

The Cecilian Theatre Arts Christmas Charity CD

On sale **this weekend** after all Masses featuring Irish Soprano Emer Barry and children from Laurel Lodge Parish. Price €7. All proceeds go to St. Francis Hospice, Dublin 15.

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- **Mass:** Monday to Saturday at 4.30p.m.
(Extra Mass Monday to Friday at 1p.m. during November).
- **Rite II Forgiveness:** Every Thursday at the 4.30p.m. Mass.
- **Blessing of the Sick:** Every Friday during the 4.30p.m. Mass.

Annual Car Draw

in aid of St. Francis Hospice Blanchardstown

Thanks to [Ashley Ford](#) for supplying a Ford Fiesta as the first prize in the annual St Francis Hospice Christmas Raffle. Tickets on sale at the Blanchardstown Centre.

The annual "Songs for a Winter's Evening"

will take place on Friday, 5th December at 8p.m. in St. Mochta's Church, Porterstown. See poster for full details.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY:	6.30p.m.	Confirmation Enrolment Mass
SUNDAY:	10.00a.m.	Mary Moore Deceased
	11.00a.m.	Val Lanigan Recently Deceased
	12.15p.m.	May Dunphy Anniversary
	5.30p.m.	Josephine Jordan Birthday Remembrance

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Mary Kavanagh, recently deceased. Also those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those on the November Altar list of the Dead.