

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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August 13th/14th 2016 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

❖ **Mass for the coming week:**

Monday is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

A holy day of obligation. Mass at 10a.m. and 6.30p.m.

Mass for the remainder of the week at 10.00a.m.

- ❖ **Rite I** of the Sacrament of Penance is available in the Confession Room every Friday morning from 9.15a.m. to 9.45a.m. and Saturday evening from 5.45p.m. to 6.20p.m.

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

The Gospel can be a great comfort to us especially in times of trouble and sorrow. It also presents us with a challenge: to be with Christ or to go against him; to avoid the darkness or to opt for the light. The teaching of Christ is not there for convenience but for conviction.

First Reading (Jer.38:4-6;8-10)

The prophet suffers for speaking God’s Word faithfully. Jeremiah is seen as a figure of Christ.

Second Reading: (Heb.12:1-4)

This reading makes the point that we do not journey on our own. We have the example of Christ and the witness of those who have gone before us.

Gospel: (Luke:12:49-53) The coming of Christ marks a time of division in which people will be called on to state their loyalties.

- ❖ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday from 8.00p.m. to 9.00p.m. in the church. All welcome.

- Coolmine Therapeutic Community have asked us to acknowledge with thanks the generosity of the community at their recent churchgate collection which amounted to €1,624.43.

❖ **Parish Pilgrimage to Knock**

A small number of places are still available for our parish pilgrimage on Saturday, 3rd September. We need to finalise numbers so if you are intending to travel with us please leave your details in the Sacristy by the end of this week. Thank you.

- Study Liturgy at the National Centre for Liturgy St. Patrick’s College, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Courses begin 19th September, 2016. The courses - Diploma, Higher Diploma and Masters provide training for those who wish to prepare for parish ministry and who may be called upon to undertake roles of leadership and training in various contexts. For more information visit www.liturgy-ireland.ie

- Humanitarian Volunteers are looking for volunteers to travel to Kenya on 26th November 2016. Volunteers will work on a humanitarian project for two weeks. No experience required and no age restrictions. Support and supervision provided. See poster in church courtyard for full details.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

SATURDAY	6.30pm	Bríd Kennedy 1 st Anniversary
SUNDAY	10.00am	James and Margaret McDonald Anniversaries
	11.00am	Brendan Haughton 2 nd Anniversary
	12.15pm	Luke Bellew 2 nd Anniversary

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

We extend our sympathy to the families of Tom Murray, Marie Edgar, Mícheál Loughlin and Betty O’Sullivan, all recently deceased.

Also, Edward Smyth whose anniversary occurs at this time and those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.