

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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March 4th/5th 2017 – First Sunday of Lent

❖ **Mass for the coming week:**
Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

Sacrament of Penance Rite II: After evening Mass this Saturday.

❖ **First Sunday of Lent**

Lent recalls the forty days of Jesus spent in the desert, during which time, he was tempted by Satan. But through prayer, fasting and fidelity to the Word of God, he overcame the tempter. Lent is a time when we need God's help to overcome our temptations.

First Reading: (Gen. 2:7-9;3:1-7)

Adam and Eve succumb to temptation and cause a rift between themselves and God.

Second Reading: (Rom.5:12-19)

By his obedience to God, Christ won back for us the gifts lost through the disobedience of Adam.

Gospel: (Matthew 4:1-11)

Jesus was tempted by Satan, but unlike Adam and Eve, he did not waver in his fidelity to the Father.

❖ **Some Forms of Friday Penance:**

1. Abstaining from meat or some other food.
2. Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking.
3. Making a special effort at family prayer.
4. Making the Stations of the Cross.
5. Helping the poor, sick, aged or lonely.

❖ Our annual **Mass of Remembrance** for all parents, family members and friends who have experienced the death of a child before and after birth will take place this Sunday evening at 5.30p.m.
All welcome.

➤ Verona F.C. are holding a Family Walk/Run on Saturday 29th April at 2p.m. See poster in church courtyard for full details.

The following talks are scheduled by Castleknock ICA in the Parish Centre, Beechpark Ave., beginning at 8.15pm both evenings:

1. "Natural Treatments for all Ailments" by Roisin O'Kelly on Monday, 6th March and
2. "Living with Hearing Loss" by Cathy O'Riordan on Monday, 13th March. Both talks will begin at 8.15pm. All welcome. Admission €5.

The annual St. Francis Dublin 15 Hospice Collection will take place after all Masses this weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

SATURDAY	6.30pm	John and Kathleen Foley Anniversaries
SUNDAY	10.00am	Norah Flynn 2nd Anniversary
	11.00am	Kathleen Harnett Recently Deceased
	12.15pm	Marie Noone Anniversary
	5.30pm	Remembrance Mass for Infants

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

We extend our sympathy to the families of Kieron Barry and Alan Mangan, both recently deceased.

Also Niall Annesley, Christopher and Dan Clarke, John and Kathleen Foley, Bill Judge, Nora Moran, Stuart McLaughlin, Martha McVeigh, Nora and Patsy Sheehan and those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.