

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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May 6th/7th 2017 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

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

❖ Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday: Today is a day when we are encouraged to pray for vocations to the work of service in the Catholic Church. Jesus invites us to go out and to preach to all people. The Church needs people of faith to respond to Christ's call; people who are prepared to dedicate their lives to this work.

First Reading: (Acts: 2:14;36-41)

Peter proclaims Jesus as the risen Lord, and encourages people to repent and to accept baptism.

Second Reading: (1Peter 2:20-25)

Addressing slaves, Peter urges them to bear their unjust sufferings with patience, as Christ the Good Shepherd bore his sufferings for us.

Gospel: (John 10:1-10)

Jesus compares his love for his disciples to the love of a shepherd for his sheep.

Priesthood Sunday: A special collection to support our students studying for the Priesthood will take place at all Masses this weekend. It will replace the Share collection. Thank you for your support.

The annual Plant Sale continues in Castleknock Community College this Sunday 7th May from 10a.m. to 5p.m.

Castleknock I.C.A. Guild will be hosting a talk by Amy Brogan on 'The Violin in the Orchestra through the Classical Ages' on Monday next 8th May at 8.15pm in the Parish Centre, Beechpark Avenue.
Admission free – all welcome.

❖ Thanks to everybody for your generosity at the recent church gate collection which raised €1,520 for SUAS Educational Development Program. This will enable hundreds of young girls and boys in Zambia assess education.

Reminder: Could all parishioners who received CHY3 forms to complete please return them so we can process our claim for the Revenue Commissioners, Tax Back Scheme for Charities. For anyone who has mislaid the forms there are copies on the tables at the back of the church.
Thank you for your co-operation.

Castleknock Lions Club presents **Traditional Music Night** in aid of Ethiopian Deaf Project – "Giving Hands a Voice" on Friday, 12th May at 9pm in Myos, Castleknock. Tickets (donation) €10.

❖ MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday:	6.30pm	Rory Sharkey 2nd Anniversary
Sunday:	10.00am	Eileen Doyle and Winifred McGownan Anniversaries
	11.00am	Francis McGonigle Anniversary
	12.15pm	Gerald Brannigan Anniversary
	5.30pm	Philomena Henry Month's Mind

❖ REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

We extend our sympathy to the families Sean Cush, (father of Deborah Nulty, Maple Ave), Ken Waldron (brother of Marina Dooley, Sycamore Ave), Thecla Finnan, Edward Cooke, Michael Reidy and Kathleen Hutton, all recently deceased.

Also Peter O'Mara, Kitty Cronin, Josephine Rainey, Gerry Higginbotham and Celine Cooke whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.