

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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May 27th/28th May, 2017 – The Ascension of the Lord

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

❖ **Mass for the coming week:**

Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

The 5.30p.m. Sunday evening Mass will be discontinued from this weekend for the summer months.

It will resume on Sunday, 3rd September.

❖ **The Ascension of the Lord**

The Ascension of Jesus is the completion of his victory over sin and death. The resurrection, the ascension and the giving of the Holy Spirit, tells us that God has glorified Jesus. He is the head of the Church; where He has gone, we hope to follow.

First Reading: (Acts: 1:1-11)

This describes the ascension of Jesus into heaven, and his promise to send the Holy Spirit to his disciples.

Second Reading: (Ephesians 1:17-23)

Here St. Paul describes the meaning of the Ascension: God has raised Jesus above all earthly powers and made Him Head of the Church.

Gospel: (Matthew 28:16-20)

Jesus commissions the apostles to preach the gospel to all nations, and promises to remain with them.

❖ **First Friday:** Friday next is the First Friday of the Month. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 10a.m. Mass until 11.30a.m.

❖ **Lectio Divina** on Wednesday next 31st May in the Day Chapel from 7.15p.m. to 8p.m., followed by Holy Hour in the Church and blessing, from 8p.m. to 9p.m. All welcome.

Community Centre Extension

As work has now commenced on the extension to the Community Centre please take extra care when accessing the church, school and shops.

Church gate collection this weekend in aid of local charity

Bekind Ireland.

23 young student volunteers from the area depart for Calcuta on June 18th All proceeds go to support former homeless and abandoned children in Bekind Boys' Home. www.bekind.ie

Your support will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

❖ On Saturday, 10th June from 10.45am. to 3.0p.m. St. Brigid's Church, Blanchardstown will be holding a day of Meditation, Adoration and Benediction, Visio Divina, Scripture conversation on the day's Gospel and Prayer.

See poster in church courtyard for full details. All welcome.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Saturday:	6.30pm	Special Intention
Sunday:	10.00am	Special Intention
	11.00am	Nora Coyne 3rd Anniversary
	12.15pm	Anna Bowens 1st Anniversary
	5.30pm	John Kinsella Anniversary

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

We extend our sympathy to the family of John Maher, recently deceased.

Also, Eileen Dunphy, Minnie McAnarey, Tommy McLaughlin, Tina Zambra and deceased members of the Crowe and O'Rourke families, whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.