

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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December 30th/31st 2017 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

The World Day of Peace 2018 will be celebrated in the diocese at a special Mass in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, on Monday, 1st January at 11.00a.m. The theme chosen by the Holy Father this year is *Migrants and Refugees – Men and Women in search of Peace.*

❖ **Mass for the coming week:**

Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

Saturday is the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. Vigil Mass on Friday at 6.30p.m. Mass on Saturday at 10.00a.m.

❖ **Feast of the Holy Family**

On this feast we also think of our own families who gathered to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We thank God for our families even though, some can be hurt by division and quarrels. We ask God to heal these wounds and divisions.

First Reading: (Gen.15:1-6;21-1-3)

God promises the childless Abraham an heir and many descendants.

Second Reading: (Heb.11:8-11-12-17-19)

This stresses the faith of Sarah and Abraham, and how God's promise to them was fulfilled.

Gospel: (Luke 2;22-40)

This tells us about the presentation of the child Jesus in the Temple and also gives us a glimpse of his life in Nazareth.

Baptisms 2018

From January baptisms will be celebrated on the first Sunday of the month after the 12.15p.m. Mass and on the third Saturday of the month at 3.30p.m.

There will be a Baptism Preparation Meeting on Monday, 15th January at 7.30p.m. in the Day Chapel. This meeting is for the parents whose babies will be baptised in the month of February.

Scoil Thomáis, Laurel Lodge.

Application for enrolment to Junior Infants for September 2018 will take place in the school on Monday 22nd January, Tuesday 23rd January and Wednesday 24th January from 9.15a.m. to 10.30a.m.

Please bring the following:

- Child's Birth Certificate.
- Child's P.P.S. Number.
- Proof of residence: one recent utility bill and one listed document (dated Oct. 2017 or later).
- Child's Baptismal Certificate (if applicable).

Parent must attend in person. For further information please contact the school on (01) 8201022 or visit www.scoilthomais.ie

Passport for Leisure is a scheme for over 55's organised by Dublin City Council. It offers members free entry, discounts and concessions on a number of leisure facilities and activities, events and stores around Dublin City. For further information call 01 6185000 or visit

www.passportforleisure.ie

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Saturday:	6.30pm	Month's Mind Mass
Sunday:	10.00am	James McKernan Anniversary
	11.00am	Deceased members of the Leahy and Fitzgerald families Anniversaries
	12.15pm	Nancy and Jimmy Grimes Anniversaries

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Also Bernadette McLaughlin, Agnes McCarrick (Month's Mind), Tommy and Kitty Brennan and Patrick Ruane (birthday remembrance)) and those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.