

**PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

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**January 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> 2019 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**World Day of Migrants and Refugees**

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

❖ **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

John depicts Mary as involved at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and again at the end of it when she is present at the foot of the Cross. Mary is associated with the whole of the ministry of Jesus. But her role must always be seen in relation to that of her Son.

**First Reading:** (Is. 62:1-5)

We hear of a new wedding feast between God and his people.

**Second Reading:** (I Cor. 12:4-11)

Though there are many spiritual gifts, they all come from the same Spirit, and should be used for building up the community.

**Gospel:** (John 2:1-12)

Jesus fulfils the prophecy of Isaiah. The changing of water into wine is a symbol of the old order yielding to the new.

❖ **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Confessions are available in the Confessional Room every Friday from 9.15a.m. to 9.45a.m. and Saturday from 5.15p.m. to 6.15p.m. Rite Two is celebrated after the 6.30p.m. Mass on the first Saturday of the month.

**Outdoor Collections for 2019**

Charitable groups with a connection to the parish are invited to apply by **15<sup>th</sup> February 2019** to the Parish Finance Committee c/o Parish Office for approval to hold outdoor collections during 2019. Please note that approval will be based on strict criteria and that there are only a limited number of available slots. Only approved collections are permitted on church grounds.

**Formation of new Parish Pastoral Council**

As the current Parish Pastoral Council has reached the end of its term of office, a new Council is being formed. There are two vacancies to be filled as a number of members are standing down, having completed two 3-year terms.

Any parishioner may nominate another parishioner to serve on the Council. Nominations should be left into the Parish Office. Closing date for nominations is 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019.

The Parish Pastoral Council is a leadership group through which priests and people work and pray together as co-responsible partners in furthering the mission of Christ in the parish.

The Council meets on a monthly basis.

**St. Francis Hospice - Car Draw – Ford Fiesta Zetec**

Hospice car draw tickets have gone well and there is a last opportunity to purchase tickets outside the church after all Masses this weekend. The draw will take place in the Blanchardstown Centre on Thursday next 24<sup>th</sup> January at 7p.m.

Thanks to all who have already supported this fundraising event.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

SATURDAY	6.30pm	Sheila and Dan Murphy Anniversaries
SUNDAY	10.00am	Mary Tymond Anniversary
	11.00am	Larry Merrigan Anniversary
	12.15pm	Geraldine Anne Clynes Anniversary

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

*Pray for the souls of Edward O'Grady, Noel Hanlon, John Purcell, Paul Boyd, John Maher, Billy Greene, Marie Burke and Denis Guinan, all recently deceased.*

*Also, Annette O'Gorman, Elizabeth Quinlan, Frances O'Sullivan, Patrick and Loretto McGrath, Francis Niblock and Mate Pavkovic whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.*