

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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January 25th/26th 2020– Third Sunday in Ordinary time

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

❖ **Third Sunday of the year**

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.” This is how St. Matthew describes the impact of Jesus’ ministry. That light is still with us and we need it to strengthen our faith.

First Reading: (Isaiah 8:23-9-3)

The prophet predicts liberation for a people who are oppressed.

Second Reading: (1 Cor. 1:10-13.17)

Paul is appealing very strongly for unity among the community at Corinth.

Gospel: (Mat. 4:12-23)

This prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled in the person of Jesus.

❖ **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.

❖ We are starting a **Bible Study Group** to explore and discuss scripture. If you are interested in joining us please leave your contact details with the parish office.

Holy Hour adoration with blessing in the Church from 8pm to 9pm Wednesday next 29th January. All welcome.

This year Castleknock Community College begins to celebrate 25 years in our community. As part of the celebrations it has set itself the challenge of building a new primary school in Mlologo in Kenya. Students from Castleknock Community College will hold an **outdoor collection after all Masses this weekend** in aid of their Kenyan 2020 school project. The students will also be hosting a **Bake Sale** in the Community Centre after all Masses this Sunday. Your support will be very much appreciated. Thank you.

❖ **Saturday 1st February is the Feast Day of St. Brigid.**

St. Brigid is renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. She was born c.454. She received the veil and spiritual formation probably from St. Mel and stayed for a period under his direction in Ardagh. She died in 524 and her cult is widespread not only throughout Ireland but in several European lands. The St. Brigid’s Cross, in legend used by Brigid to explain the Christian faith, remains a popular sign of God’s protection.

❖ Sunday 2nd February is the Feast of the **Presentation of the Lord**. Blessing of candles will take place at all Masses next weekend.

❖ **Catholic Schools Week 26th January – 2nd February 2020**

The theme of this year’s Catholic Schools Week is **‘Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony with God’s Creation’**. The theme encourages us to see that we all have a responsibility to care for the earth, not just for our own future, but for the future of every one of God’s creatures.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

SATURDAY	6.30pm	<u>Month’s Mind Mass</u> Aidan Boushel Michael Corduff Gerry Fitzpatrick Ethel Robinson Mary Ryder
SUNDAY	10.00am	Rory Bruen Recently Deceased
	11.00am	Tom and Carmel O’Sullivan Anniversaries
	12.15pm	Nancy and Jimmy Grimes Anniversary

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Pray for the souls of Johnny McGready, and May Dooley (mother of Sean, Sycamore Ave), RIP.

Also, Nora Mullen (Birthday Remembrance), Martin McGrath (Birthday Remembrance), Angela Kerrigan and Thomas and Elizabeth O’Callaghan, whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.