

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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**February 1st/2nd 2020 – The Presentation of the Lord
World Day for Consecrated Life**

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

❖ **The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas**

Its forty days since we celebrated the birth of Jesus at Christmas. Today we remember the Presentation in the Temple. This feast is also called Candlemas; candles are blessed because today Jesus was revealed in the Temple as the Light of all people.

First Reading: (Malachi 3:1-4)

Malachi makes a prophecy that God will send his messenger to the Temple. Christians see this promise fulfilled in the events commemorated by this feast.

Second Reading: (Heb. 2:14-18)

It was because Jesus was fully human that He was able to redeem humans.

Gospel: (Luke: 2:22-40)

The gospel describes what happened when Jesus was presented in the Temple.

❖ **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.

❖ **Feast of St. Blaise**

Blessing of throats will take place this coming Monday 3rd. February at the 10.00a.m. Mass.

St. Blaise, died 315. Bishop of Sebaste, martyred in Armenia. Tradition states that he was a physician before becoming a bishop. Since the eighth century he has been venerated as patron of those who suffer from disease of the throat.

❖ On Saturday 15th February at 11.30a.m. there will be a **Healing Mass** with **Anointing** followed by refreshments in the Day Chapel.
All welcome.

Annual Clothing Appeal for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Plastic bags will be available at all Masses next weekend (8th/9th Feb) and will be collected the following weekend (15th/16th Feb) **at morning Masses only**. The appeal is for clean, good-quality clothes, bedlinen, curtains, shoes etc. Thank you for your support.

Monthly outdoor collection in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul after all Masses **this** weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

Castleknock Celtic Children’s Soccer Academy for Boys & Girls aged 4-7 years, restarts on Saturday, 8th Feb. at 10am beside the clubhouse in Portertstown Park.

For more information text Kieran Kelly at 0868091699.

The students of Castleknock Community College would like to thank everyone who supported last weekend’s outdoor collection and cake sale. A total amount of **€2,883.28** was raised and will go towards building a new primary school in Mlolongo in Kenya.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

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| SATURDAY | 6.30pm | Richard Gallagher Anniversary |
| SUNDAY | 10.00am | Bridget O’Flaherty Anniversary |
| | 11.00am | Rita Kavanagh Anniversary |
| | 12.15pm | Frank Kelly Anniversary |

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Pray for the souls of Cathy Horgan, (wife of Pdraig, Sycamore Dr), Frankie O’Reilly (son of Frank and Johanna, C/k Wood), Kay Leahy, Maura Cullen, Robert Tate and Nell Rooney, RIP.

Also, Kieran Barry, Jack Ryan, Peter Coghlan and Eileen Kinsella, whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.