

**PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

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**February 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> 2020– Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

❖ **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We are the followers of Christ and as such we are expected to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. This is a difficult challenge. Let us reflect on how much we need god’s help if we are to be faithful.

**First Reading:** (Isaiah 58:7-10)

Genuine worship of God is shown in the practice of justice and in concern for the poor and needy.

**Second Reading:** (1 Cor. 2:1-5)

The success of the gospel doesn’t depend on human cleverness but on the power of God.

**Gospel:** (Matt 5:13-16)

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❖ **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.

❖ On Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 11.30a.m. there will be a **Healing Mass (Mass of the Sick)** with **Anointing** followed by refreshments in the Day Chapel.  
All welcome.

The annual collection of **ACCORD** Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family will be made at all Masses **next** weekend **15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> February**. The collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share collection. ACCORD Dublin needs your support. Thank you.

Thank you for your support at last weekend’s outdoor collection in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which amounted to **€2,335**.

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

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

Castleknock ICA will host a lecture on *‘The Life and Times of the Gore Booth Family’* presented by Patrick Quigley on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 8.15pm in Our Lady’s Parish Centre, Beechpark Ave., Castleknock.  
Fee: €5 for non-members. All welcome.

**Dublin 15 Toastmasters** invites you to visit their fun public speaking club on Wednesday next 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7.45p.m. in St. Mochta’s parish Centre, Porterstown. There’s a warm welcome and no pressure to speak. Free admission. Contact Ahmad on 086 2335871 for more information.

We have a small number of **2020 Calendars** remaining depicting some of the late Fr. Eugene Kennedy’s artwork. The cost is €10 and all proceeds go to St. Francis Hospice Blanchardstown.  
The calendars can be purchased after Mass or from the Parish Office during the coming week.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Sheila and Dan Murphy Anniversaries</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Margaret Fallon Anniversary</b>
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Catherine McCague 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary</b>
	<b>12.15pm</b>	<b>Catherine Byrne 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary</b>

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

*Pray for the souls of Brother Chris Moran, Tomás Orellano, Tom Bonney and Vincent Smith R.I.P.*

*Also, Ella and Martin Henry, Paddy Ward and Eileen Donnelly whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.*