

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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January 23rd/24th 2021 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

❖ Mass for the coming week:

Monday to Friday at 10a.m.

All Masses streamed online at www.churchservices.tv or through the

Parish website www.laurellodgeparish.ie

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Jesus begins his preaching by calling on people to repent and believe in the Good News. Repentance is one of the main themes of the readings. Jonah preached a message of repentance and the people of Nineveh changed their ways.

First Reading: (Jon. 3:1-5;10)

The preaching of Jonah met with an immediate response in the pagan city of Nineveh.

Second Reading: (1 Cor. 7:29-31)

Paul counsels an attitude of detachment from the things of this world.

Gospel: (Mk. 1:14-20)

Jesus begins to preach and calls on his disciples.

Reflection

Jesus began his ministry by announcing good news.

What was this good news?

That the kingdom of heaven had come.

The kingdom stands for the fulfilment of the promises,

The fullness of God's blessings,

In short, the new order of things.

Forgiveness is available. Recovery is possible,

God's love is unconditional,

And is available to us in Christ.

All we have to do is to recognise our need,

And to seek his help with humility and sincerity.

Unless we repent, we can't hear the good news.

Irish Hospice Foundation – Living with Loss

Bookings are now open for the 2021 series of Workshops on *Loss and Bereavement* which will be delivered online via Zoom from January to

June. Details and booking process can be found on the following link

[Bereavement News & Events - Irish Hospice Foundation](#)

Please note bookings and payment for the workshops can only be made

by using the following link to Eventbrite:

[Irish Hospice Foundation Events | Eventbrite](#)

Scoil Thomas – Junior Infants

Application Forms for Junior Infants 2021/2022 are available to download from the school website – www.scoilthomais.ie Applications can only be accepted up to the 29th January 2021 by post or by hand.

❖ Pray for the souls of those recently deceased:

Angela Cronin *and* Santina Shuldham.

❖ Remember Also:

Donors Intentions,

Mary Tymon,

Kathleen *and* John Foley,

Francis Niblock,

Maureen Meehan,

Catherine Ryan,

Kevin Smith,

Denis Bradley,

Sr. Marie de Lourdes *and*

Nora Mullen (*birthday remembrance*)

*whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those on the
Altar List of the Dead*

May they Rest in Peace