

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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February 13th/14th 2021 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

❖ Mass for the coming week: Monday to Friday at 10a.m.
Lent begins on Wednesday next (Ash Wednesday)
17th February. (It is a day of Fast & Abstinence).
Blessed Ashes will be available in packets to take home
following the 10am Mass.

❖ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus broke through all the religious and social taboos and reached out a loving and healing hand to the leper. In this way we see how a Christian community should deal with sinners and people society rejects.

First Reading: (Lev. 13:1-2; 45-46)

Lepers were considered ritually unclean and were compelled to live apart from the community.

Second Reading: (12 Cor. 10:31-11.1)

St. Paul urges us never to do anything offensive to anyone but to do everything for the glory of God.

Gospel: (Mark 1: 40-45)

This tells the story of the cure of the leper by Jesus.

Reflection - Forgiveness

Forgiveness is like the child's dream of a miracle.
Through forgiveness what is broken is made whole again,
What is soiled is made clean, and what is lost is found.
Nothing greater can happen to a human being,
Than that he or she is forgiven.
Those who are forgiven are no longer trapped by their past.
They are set free - free to move forward again.
The Lord not only forgives our sins.
But helps us learn from them.
We learn about our own weakness,
We learn about the goodness of God,
And we learn to be compassionate towards others who sin.

The Annual Collection of ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made this weekend.

Parishioners can donate in the following ways:

Online at www.accorddublin.ie where you will find a **DONATE** button.
By post to Accord Dublin, Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe Rd. D3.
By bank transfer to ACCORD Dublin Catholic Marriage Care Service
CLG, Bank of Ireland, 88 Lr. Camden St. D.2:
IBAN: IE 27 BOFI 9001 1357 0742 03; BIC: BOFIE2D
ACCORD needs your support this year more than ever. Thank you.



It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Jim and Marie Annesley. Marie died on February 6th and Jim died on February 8th. Jim spent many years as the parish sacristan and Marie assisted him for many of those years especially taking care of the altar servers.

May they rest in peace.

❖ Pray for the souls of those recently deceased:

Noel Ward and Owen Garland

❖ Remember also those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Eugene Kettle – 1st Anniversary
William Ryan – 8th Anniversary
Patrick Harkin – 1st Anniversary
Catherine Byrne – 4th Anniversary
Maureen Spaine – 1st Anniversary
Dave Spaine – 3rd Anniversary
Fiona Plunkett, Br. Martin Fahy,
Br. John and Br. Willie Judge, and
Oliver Leahy (Remembrance)

and all those on the Altar List of the Dead
May they Rest in Peace.