

**PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

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*April 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> 2021 – Second Sunday of Easter*

*Divine Mercy Sunday*

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

❖ To celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday adoration will take place in the church from 2.30p.m. to 3.30p.m.  
Please join in online via the webcam.

❖ **Divine Mercy Sunday**

In the gospel Jesus appears to his apostles, showing them his wounds and bestowing peace on them. Then He entrusts his mission to them, giving them the gift of the Holy Spirit and the power to forgive sins.

We should remind ourselves of Thomas's profession of faith:

"My Lord and my God."

**First Reading:** (Acts 4:32-35)

This reading gives us a picture of how the first Christians lived in community.

**Second Reading:** (1 John 5:1-4)

Christians are children of God, and show their love of God by keeping his commandments.

**Gospel:** (John 20:19-31)

When he touched the wounds of the risen Christ, Thomas's doubt turned to faith.

**Reflection**

*As we go through life, we all experience little deaths.*

*We get a foretaste of death when we live.*

*In bitterness, loneliness, sadness, and despair.*

*In times like these the world closes in on us,*

*But we also experience little resurrections.*

*When we know love, acceptance, and forgiveness.*

*When we open our hearts to others and to life'*

*The world opens us, and we emerge from the tomb.*

**Easter Pastoral Offering Envelopes** for the support of the Clergy of the Diocese are being handed in at present. Envelopes are available from the tables at the back of the Church.  
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

❖ *Pray for the repose of the souls of those recently deceased:*

**Sean Moran, Tommy Kenny, Dominic McKenna and Pat Nulty.**

❖ **Remember also those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:**

**Rita Carbury (9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary),**

**Gerry McCarrick (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary),**

**Nicholas Hennigan, Deceased members of the O'Keeffe family, John and Marian Breen, Patrick Bergin, Bridie Hegarty,**

**deceased members of the Burke family, Madge Smith,**

**Nellie Halpin, John McLaughlin, and**

**Gertie O'Connor (Birthday Remembrance).**

*May they Rest in Peace.*