

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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April 24th/25th 2021 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

❖ **Fourth Sunday of Easter - Day of Prayer for Vocations**

The gospel presents Jesus as the good shepherd who knows his sheep intimately and is known by them. Unlike the hireling, He is willing to die to protect his sheep.

First Reading: (Acts 4:8-12)

Peter tells the Jewish leaders that Jesus is the one and only Saviour.

Second Reading: (1 John 3:1-2)

In his love for us, God made us his children. In the next life we shall see him as he is.

Gospel: (John 10:11-18)

Unlike the hireling, Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is ready to give his life for his sheep.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS – Lord of the Harvest

*Bless young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call,
Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things.*

*Inspire all your disciples to mutual love and giving – for vocations
blossom in the good soil of faithful people.*

*Instil those in religious life, parish ministry and families with
confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble
path of a life consecrated to you.*

*Unite us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may co-
operate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, justice
and peace. Amen. Pope Francis.*

Sincere thanks to all who have return **Easter Pastoral Offerings.**
Your support at this time is very much appreciated.



St. Joseph – The Dream of Vocation

❖ **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, especially for our diocese. If you are interested in finding out more about the priesthood, please email the Vocations Team at

enda.cunningham@dublindiocese.ie

Trócaire Boxes: If you still have a Trócaire box please return it to the Sacristy/Parish Office as soon as you can (Office open from 10.30am to 12noon Monday to Thursday). All monies will be counted and lodged to Trócaire. Alternatively, you can forward your donation directly to Trócaire, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Thank you.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

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

Michael O'Brien – Month's Mind

Jim and Marie Annesley

Lillian and Arthur O'Connor

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

Kathleen Barry – 1st Anniversary

Joe Smith – 1st Anniversary

Kay Faughnan – 1st Anniversary

Gerry Nangle – 2nd Anniversary

Martin McGrath – 3rd Anniversary

Harry McLaughlin, Anne Maria Tully, Pauline Tully and deceased members of the Seymour family

May they Rest in Peace.