

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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July 10th/11th 2021 – Fifteenth Sunday of the Year

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass for the coming week:

Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

Readings for this weekend.

We are here at the Lord’s invitation; we receive from him. At the end of Mass, we are sent out to share with others the gifts we have received from the Lord. Here the Lord forgives our sins, speaks his word to us, and nourishes us with the food of the Eucharist.

First Reading: (Amos 7:12-15)

The prophet Amos is faithful to the task God gave him, even though he is rejected by those to whom he is sent.

Second Reading: (Eph. 1:3-14)

This is a hymn of thanksgiving to God for the great spiritual gifts he had given us in Christ.

Gospel: (Mark 6:7-13)

Jesus sends out the twelve apostles in twos as his messengers.

Reflection

To do the work of Christ is really quite simple.

It means to be faithful in small things

For to be faithful in little things is a big thing.

It means to do one’s task, no matter how humble.

It means making oneself available

Yet never to seek the limelight.

It means making yourself useful

Without seeking to push oneself.

It means to be at one’s post,

Helpful and faithful, loyal and constant.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL:

We wish to thank all who contributed to last weekend’s collection. The amount collected: €1572.55

Building Hope Task Force – Invitation of Parishioners

Archbishop Farrell has set up a Task Force under the title *Building Hope*. The Task Force aims to stimulate engagement with the whole diocesan family and shape an inclusive approach to a pastoral strategy appropriate to our times. You are invited to take part in this consultation. See www.dublindiocese.ie for full details. The consultation form will remain online until the 18th July.

Parish Priest

From the end of August our parish will receive a new parish priest. His name is Fr. Damien McNeice. He will take up residence in Castleknock parish. Fr. Damien has been appointed parish priest to Castleknock and Laurel Lodge. He has been involved in the liturgical life of the diocese and was master of ceremonies for the Archbishop of Dublin.

As time goes on more and more parishes will be amalgamated. In some parishes, the church will be closed and people will be invited to attend Mass in a neighbouring church. To keep the message and person of Jesus alive, Parish Pastoral Councils will have to shoulder this responsibility. This new Task Force are deliberating such matters and hopefully we will share in the results of their deliberations.

We are happy to say that Fr. Dan Joe, who has served the people of this parish very well for many years, will remain in his present appointment.

Fr. Brendan Quinlan is happy to remain as curate in the parish of Laurel Lodge.

❖ MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday:	6.30pm	Patrick (Paddy) McCarthy – 6 th anniversary
Sunday:	9.30am	Frank and Rosie Whelan; Maggie and Eddie Flanagan - anniversaries
	11.00am	John Murphy RIP
	12.30pm	Brendan Fitzgerald RIP

❖ Pray for the souls of:

Michael Dillon; Michael Deans; Ciara Delaney; Michael Ryan

Myra Fahy (anniversary); James and Alice Madden (anniversaries)

Pauline Jordan RIP; Eamon Hall snr (anniversary)

May they Rest in Peace.