

**PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

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*Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

❖ **Mass for the coming week**

Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

**Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

We are gathered here primarily to worship God. Jesus said of the Pharisees – this people honour me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me. Their worship was hollow and insincere. For our worship to be genuine, we need God's help.

**First Reading:** (Deut. 4:1-2;6-8)

Moses urges the people to be faithful to God's law, which is not a burden to be endured, but a source of life and wisdom.

**Second Reading:** (James 1:17-18; 21-22;27)

It is not enough to listen to the Word of God; we must put it into practice.

**Gospel:** (Mk. 7:1-8; 14-15; 21-23)

Jesus tells the Pharisees that they have substituted their own laws for the law of God and are more concerned about outer cleanliness than cleanness of heart.

**REFLECTION**

*Today pollution has become a big issue and rightly so.*

*People want clean water, clean air and clean food.*

*But we should be even more concerned about the most dangerous pollution of them all, evil.*

*Pride, anger, hate, lust, greed, envy*

*All of these are dangerous pollutants,*

*So what must we do?*

*We must purify the source; the heart is the source.*

❖ **Adoration** takes place in the Church every Wednesday from 8p.m. to 9p.m. All welcome.

Also available on the parish webcam: [www.laurelodgeparish.ie](http://www.laurelodgeparish.ie)

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

*ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.*

**Ignatian Spirituality Course**

*This course is starting back on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September. New members welcome. It will be on Zoom initially. You can contact Liam Breen on 087 2471637 or [breenliam81@gmail.com](mailto:breenliam81@gmail.com).*

**CASTLEKNOCK CELTIC CHILDREN'S FOOTBALL ACADEMY**

For 4-7 year olds, starts new term on Sat. 4th Sept. 9.30pm, Porterstown Park behind clubhouse. New members welcome. Beginners get their first week free. Qualified FAI coaches in fun-filled environment. Text Kieran at 086-8091699 for more info if required. Sponsored by Glenveagh Properties.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday:	6.30pm	Kathleen Nangle, Margaret Lawless, Dr. Muriel McCarthy (Month's Mind)
Sunday:	9.30am	Barney McArdle (deceased)
	11.00am	David Langan (Anniversary)
	12.30pm	Maureen O'Dea (18 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

❖ ***Remember in your prayers***

***Barry Ahearne, Sr. Eileen Cullen, Tom Ryan recently deceased***

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***Remember Also, Eamonn O'Connor, Angela McEvitt, Jimmy Brophy, Oliver Leahy whose anniversaries occur at this time.***

***May they Rest in Peace***