### PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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Sunday 26th December 2021

### Mass times for the coming week

Monday to Friday at 10.00 a.m. Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30 p.m. Sunday Masses: 9.30 a.m. 11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

(St Philip the Apostle, Mountview – 6 p.m.)

# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH 26<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021

As we assemble for this Mass we should remember that we form part of the family of the People of God. This family is united by the love of God.

First Reading: (1 Sam. 20-22; 24-28)

This deals with the birth of Samuel and his consecration to God.

Second Reading: (1 John 3: 1-2; 21-24)

We are God's children and should live a life in keeping with this dignity.

**Gospel:** (Lk. 2:41-52)

This shows us that misunderstandings can occur in the best of families.

### **REFLECTION**

### Returning to God

We are born in exile and die there too.
As soon as we set sail on the great voyage of life,
we begin our return.

When we die, we do not so much go to God as return to him.
Like homesick cranes that fly night and day
Back to their mountain nests
So let our lives make their voyage to you O Lord
For you have made us for yourself O Lord
And our hearts will never rest until they rest in you.

### **Adoration**

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

Also available on the parish webcam: www.laurellodgeparish.ie

### CHRISTMAS PASTORAL OFFERING ENVELOPES (DUES)

Christmas Pastoral Offering Envelopes are available from the tables at the back of the church. Thank you very much for your support.

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday:	9.30 am	
<b>Christmas Day</b>	11.00 am	People of the parish
	12.30 pm	
Sunday:	9.30 am	Tom de Paoli (recently deceased)
The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph	11.00 am	Aidan Boushel (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)
	12.30 pm	William Webster (Anniversary) and the Webster and Lazenby Families

### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

## Una Meenan, Audrey Merrigan, Mary Gunter Smith

(Recently Deceased)

Maura Ni Dhomhnaill, Bernadette McLaughlin, Michael Corduff, Tommy Fagan, Danny and Mary Bell, Michéal Ryan and Michael Casey, Patrick, Peggy and Pat Igoe, John, Mary and Patrick McManus, Peggy and Patrick Browne, Margaret and John Moolick, Kathleen and Jackie Mulhern and Kathleen Germaine

(Whose anniversaries occur at this time)

Joe Smith, Marie and Jim Annesley and the deceased members of the Keenan and Birney Families (*Christmas Mass*)

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE** 

### **OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH CASTLEKNOCK**

### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 6 p.m.
Sunday: Mass at 10 a.m. and 12 noon
(St Philip the Apostle, Mountview – 6 p.m.)
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: Mass at 10 a.m.
Tuesday, Thursday: Mass at 7.30 p.m.

#### **TAP AND GO**

You will notice in our church that a new possibility of making 'cashless' donations to the Dublin Diocese is now available to you. This is not replacing our usual Sunday church collections. It's just another way of contributing for those of us now more used to not carrying cash with us and paying in shops by tapping a credit or debit bank card.

You can select one of the pre-set amounts offered or choose a custom amount, and pay by tapping your card or inserting it and entering your pin number.

The amount you donate goes straight to our Diocesan Finance Secretariat who split the contribution between supporting the Common Fund (our usual 1<sup>st</sup> collection, for the priests of our Archdiocese, including those who are sick and retired) and Share (our 2<sup>nd</sup> collection, providing essential services in the Diocese and supporting disadvantaged parishes).

Should you wish to donate specifically to our Parish, you can find that as an option already through the "Donate" button on our parish website: laurellodgeparish.ie.

Please contact the parish office if you have any difficulty with the "Donate" button.