# PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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## **MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Monday to Friday at 10.00 am - Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30 pm Sunday Masses: 9.30 am, 11.00 am and 12.30 pm (St Philip the Apostle, Mountview – 6.00 pm)

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023

In today's gospel we meet doubting Thomas. Each of us have something in common with Thomas because we too are troubled with doubts.



**First Reading**: (Acts.2:42-47): The early Christian community was characterised by worship of God and service towards one another.

<u>Second Reading: (1Pet.1; 3-9):</u> Faith in the resurrection of Jesus is the basis of our hope of eternal life.

<u>**Gospel**</u>: (Jn. 20:19-31): When he touched the wounds of the risen Jesus, Thomas's doubts were turned into faith.

# **Reflection:**

Some people think that if you have enough faith life will be plain sailing for you. But this is not so.

Faith does not shield us from the hard knocks of life or death.

What then does faith do?

It give us bearings and thus enables us to live in a topsy-turvy world without getting lost or giving in to despair.

Believers entrust their lives to a power greater than themselves.

A power greater than all of us.

This is the power of God, who brought his Son, Jesus, back from the dead.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP

WE WILL TAKE A BREAK FROM DAY CHAPEL ACTIVITIES OVER THE EASTER HOLIDAYS, AND WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY 23RD APRIL.

#### JUNIOR MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Have you made your First Holy Communion? Would you like to volunteer as a reader at 9.30am Family Mass? If you are interested, leave your details into the parish office or speak to one of the Children's Liturgy team.

### GAISCE AWARD FOR TYS

THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP FACILITATE TRANSITION YEAR STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN GAISCE THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS** In our Deanery this year, <u>Divine</u> Mercy Sunday will be celebrated with a special programme of events at St. Philip the Apostle Church, Mountview, on 16th April. Commencing at 2pm with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament; Reading from the Diary of St Faustina, Blessing of the Divine Image, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 3pm, Confessions 2pm to 3pm. Holy Mass will follow the Divine Mercy Chaplet. This is being supported by priests across our Blanchardstown Deanery and all are welcome.

# <u>Mulhuddart Cemetery Mass</u> Sunday 11th June 2023 at 3pm.

# MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.30 pm	Padraig Walsh (Recently Deceased)
SUNDAY	9.30 am	Thomas Kelly (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
	11.00 am	Dick and Kathleen Freeman (Anniversary)
	12.30 pm	Gerry McCarrick (Anniversary)

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Elizabeth Charles, Frances Kennedy, Paddy Kane (Recently Deceased)

Also- Denny and Peggy Twomey, Mary and Ernie Walsh, Breeda Coghlan, Kathleen Frawley, Mary Bergin, William and Julia Keogh, Kathleen Henry, Phyllis Grimes, John McLaughlin whose anniversaries occur at this time

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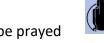
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### BAPTISMS

Baptism Ceremonies are held on the first Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm and the third Saturday of the month at 3:30 pm.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**PRAYERS/INTENTIONS** A basket will be left at the altar for people to place their intentions/prayer requests. These will be praved



for at the 10.00 am Mass on the day.

Adoration takes place in the Church every Wednesday from 8 pm to 9 pm. All welcome. Also available on the parish webcam: www.laurellodgeparish.ie

Mass Intentions: To arrange an anniversary Mass or Mass for a special intention please phone the parish office (01 8208112) or email office@laurellodgeparish.ie with the details. Mass intentions can also be booked with the Sacristan. Early booking is recommended.

### AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit www.aware.ie.

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATON

Friday mornings 9.00am – 9.30am Saturday evenings – 5.00pm – 5.45pm Rite II (communal celebration) – after the 6.30 pm Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month