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)

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023

World Day of Migrants and Refugees Workers in the Vineyard: Often we are small and petty in the way we think and act. Fortunately, there is nothing small or petty about God. God's ways are more generous than ours.

First Reading: (Is. 55:6-9)

Here the prophet encourages the evildoers to abandon their evil ways. Second Reading: (Phil.1:20-24.27)

These lines were written by Paul in prison where his future was uncertain.



Gospel: (Mt. 20:1-16): The Pharisees were critical of Jesus in the way he befriended outcasts and sinners.

REFLECTION

"As high as the heavens are above the earth, so are my ways above your ways, My thoughts above your thoughts", says the Lord. Lord open our minds and enlarge our hearts so that we can think more like you, and act more like you.

Let us not begrudge your goodness to others knowing that we too are undeserving of your favours. And stand more in need of your mercy.

CROSSCARE COLLECTION:- THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION FOR CROSSCARE AMOUNTED TO €3,462.

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH GOLF CLASSIC FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2023 IN LUTTRELLSTOWN CASTLE RESORT, IN AID OF PORTERSTOWN PARISH FINANCES. 4 BALL €500, INCLUDING DINNER, 12 O'CLOCK SHOTGUN START. FURTHER ENQUIRIES: RITA TIGHE 0872868065 OR EILEEN RING 0868041342.

TAIZÉ PRAYERS: POPE FRANCIS HAS ASKED THE BROTHERS OF THE TAIZÉ COMMUNITY TO LEAD AN ECUMENICAL PRAYER MOMENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ENTITLED "TOGETHER **2023**" IN ST PETER'S SQUARE, ROME ON 30TH SEPTEMBER. THIS HUGE PRAYER EVENT IS BEING MIRRORED ALL OVER THE WORLD AND A TAIZÉ EVENING PRAYER WILL TAKE PLACE HERE IN DUBLIN ON SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER AT 7PM IN CHRISTCHURCH CATHEDRAL, WOOD QUAY, DUBLIN 8 TO WHICH ALL CHRISTIANS ARE WELCOME.

This Sunday, 24th September is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday

It falls each year on the fourth Sunday in September. This year marks the 20th anniversary of the formation of the diocesan Child Safeguarding & Protection Service and consequently the theme of the occasion is very much "reflection". We reflect on the journey that all of us have been on over the last twenty

years, especially the victims of abuse in our Church. It is also a time to reflect on the ongoing commitment by all in our parishes to ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults. A lot has been achieved; however, this work is never done. The safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults in our diocese

is central to the Gospel values that we embrace on a daily basis. Parish Safeguarding Representatives can be contacted through the parish office. Contact details for the Diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Service and the relevant civil authorities are on the notice in the church porch.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm		Maureen Gallagher (3 rd Anniversary)
SUNDAY:	9.30 am	Colm Hearns (Anniversary)
	11.00 am	Rose O'Reilly (Anniversary)
	12.30 pm	Conor O'Keeffe (Anniversary)
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Please prav for: Dr. Michael Flynn, Ray Donnelly (recently deceased) Also those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Aoife Conway (1st Anniversary) Karen Jackson, Sheila Fitzpatrick, Paddy and Rita O'Daly, Mary Bergin

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The Pope's Intentions September 2023

For people living on the margins We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY

A charity dedicated to alleviating loneliness and isolation among older people urgently requires volunteers. We have numerous volunteering roles available, home visitation, friendly callers, shop volunteers, social club events and hamper delivery drivers. If you are interested, please contact Jodie at 01 8731855 or jodie@friendsoftheelderly.ie.

Northside Home Care Services Meals on Wheels is a seven day service that delivers meals Monday to Friday to clients in their homes. Would you like us to deliver a meal to a family member or neighbour that could benefit from a nutritious meal and a dessert for €5.50 per day. Contact Ad or Catherine 018058574

PRAYERS/INTENTIONS

A basket will be left at the altar for people to place their intentions/prayer requests. These will be prayed 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: <u>www.laurellodgeparish.ie</u>

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.

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 1st Saturday of the month

