

***PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE***  
*in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock*

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**Saturday/Sunday –30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

**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)

**FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY - 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

We have gathered here as the family of the Christian Community.  
Here we are reminded that we have a common Father, God,  
and that we are brothers and sisters in Christ.



**First Reading:** (Gen. 15:1-6): Abraham was worried because he had no children. But God promised him an heir.

**Second Reading:** (Heb. 11:11-12): This stresses the great faith of Abraham and Sarah; they put their trust in God and were not disappointed.

**Gospel:** (Lk. 2:22-40): This tells us about the presentation of the child Jesus in the Temple.

**REFLECTION**

As God's chosen ones we should clothe ourselves with kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. We must bear with one another and forgive one another just as the Lord has forgiven us. If we are angry, we must not let the sun go down on our anger. Above all we should clothe ourselves with love. And the peace of the Lord will reign in our hearts and in our homes.



**Adoration** takes place in the Church every Wednesday from 8pm to 9pm.

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

Adoration also takes place in St Mochta's, Porterstown on Sundays 7pm to 8pm and Our Lady Mother of the Church Castleknock on Thursdays 8pm to 9pm. ALL WELCOME.

**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](mailto:office@laurellodgeparish.ie) with the details. Mass intentions can also be booked with the Sacristan. Early booking is recommended.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptism Ceremonies are held on the first Sunday of the month at 1:30pm and the third Saturday of the month at 3:30 pm. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



**LECTIO DIVINA:** Spiritual reading, meditation, prayer and contemplation of the Gospel for the following Sunday - an opportunity to listen, share, discuss and pray the Living Word. Please come **on Wednesdays** from 10.30am to 11.00am in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Beechpark Lawn, Castleknock. For information, contact Marian on 087 2958363.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SATURDAY:</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b><u>MONTHS MIND</u></b> <b>Mary O'Connor</b> <b>Kathleen O'Donoghue</b> <b>Teresa Healy</b> <b>Anna Power</b>
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>James McKiernan (Anniversary)</b>
	<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>Aidan Boushel (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)</b>
	<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>Ethel Robinson (Anniversary)</b>

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Joan Armstrong whose funeral took place during the week  
(Recently Deceased)

**Also those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**  
Madeline Carroll, Bernie McLaughlin, Oliver Leahy and Daniel Leahy  
Mary Bergin (Birthday Remembrance)