PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE

in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock

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website - www.laurellodgeparish.ie email: office@laurellodgeparish.ie Fr. Dan Joe O'Mahony OFM Cap. 01-8200915 / 086-8090633 $Saturday/Sunday - 13^{th}/14^{th}\ JANUARY\ 2024$

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 IN ORDINARY TIME - 14TH January 2024

In the gospel we read about the first encounter between Jesus and the apostles. An encounter that changed their lives.

First Reading: (1Sam.3.3-10)

Here we have the story of the call of Samuel. He was to play an important part in the history of Israel.

Second Reading: (1Cor.6.13-15)

Here Paul is talking about the dignity of the body. He tells us that they are temples of the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: (In. 1:35-42)

John brings forward a number of witnesses to tell us who Jesus is.

REFLECTION

God's call is mysterious.

It comes in the darkness of faith

It is so fine, so subtle

That it is only with the deepest silence within us that we can hear it And yet nothing is surer or stronger

Nothing is so decisive and overpowering than that call God's call is essentially an appeal to the heart

St. Teresa says: If God has not got your heart he has got nothing



The Pope's Intentions January 2024

For the gift of diversity in the church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024 - Our Lady Mother of the Church Parish, Castleknock, has the honour this year of hosting the Inaugural Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on Thursday 18th January 2024 at 8pm when they will be led by our Archbishop, Dr Dermot Farrell, the Church of Ireland Archbishop of Dublin, Dr Michael Jackson, and many other Christian leaders from the greater Dublin area, entering into Christ's prayer that all his disciples would be one [John 17:21]. All are welcome. That night the evening Mass in Castleknock will take place at the earlier time of 6.30 pm.

"Bealtaine" established Music Group, St Thomas Apostle Church (12.30 Mass) sing for two Sundays in the month only.

Bealtaine requires just 2 Male Singers & also 2 Female Singers to balance the complement.

Further Information, Contact Director: Rosalind O'Dowd: 0863346493

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY:	6.30 pm	Tommy and Katie Brennan
		(Anniversary)
SUNDAY:	9.30 am	Dominic Kenna (2 nd Anniversary)
	11.00 am	Kieran Friel (7th Anniversary)
	12.30 pm	Tom and Agnes Dawdry (Anniversary)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

<u>Patrick Lyons, John McGrath and Dympna Walsh</u> <u>whose funerals took place in our church during the week</u>

Tony Clabby, Noel Murphy, Frances Power (Recently Deceased)

Also those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Bridget Kenna, Martin and Mary Burke
Deceased Members of the Fitzgerald and Leahy Families

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On Friday 26th January a wonderful priest Fr. John Walsh from Limerick will give his testimony during the 7.30 mass in St Patrick's Church Corduff Blanchardstown. Fr. John has worked as a chaplain in Limerick prison for many years and now works is a disadvantaged area in Limerick. His testimony is well worth hearing.

Refreshments will be served after the mass

Thank You from GOAL

Many thanks to the many families and individuals who came out to support GOAL's annual Christmas Day Mile in the Phoenix Park. Your generous donations on the day and online raised over €10,700 for GOAL's humanitarian work among the poor in developing countries.

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.

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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: www.laurellodgeparish.ie

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> To arrange an anniversary Mass or Mass for a special intention please phone the parish office (01 8208112) or email <u>office@laurellodgeparish.ie</u> 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