<u>**PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE</u>** in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock</u>

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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) LENT begins on Wednesday next 14th February (Ash Wednesday)

<u>SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME –11TH FEBRUARY 2024</u> <u>FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES</u>

In biblical times lepers were treated as religious and social outcasts. In the gospel we see Jesus reaching out to help them. With his healing touch Jesus healed them.

<u>First Reading: (Lev.13:45-46)</u> Leprosy was the ultimate example of uncleanness.

Second Reading: (1Cor. 10:31)

St. Paul encourages us never to do anything offensive to anyone but to do everything to honour God.

<u>Gospel: (Mark 1:40-45)</u> Jesus reached out his loving and caring hand to help someone with leprosy.

REFLECTION



Jesus shows us the compassion of God in the face of human suffering. In the beautiful words of Oscar Wilde, Jesus understood the leprosy of the leper, the darkness of the blind, the fierce misery of those who live for pleasure, the strange poverty of the rich and the thirst that can lead people to drink from muddy waters. ACCORD ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses on the weekend of 17th & 18th February 2024.

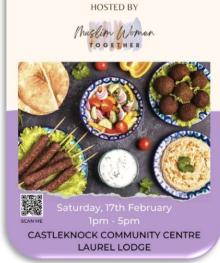
THE LAUREL LODGE CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ARE HAVING THEIR FIRST MONTHLY COLLECTION FOR 2024 AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND.

THERE WILL BE NO DAY CHAPEL ACTIVITIES ON **SUNDAY 18TH** FEBRUARY 2024 (MID-TERM BREAK)

SAVE THE DATE

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

Archbishop Dermot Farrell will lead our annual pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday, April 27. This year we are celebrating 145 years since the apparition in 1879. email -<u>knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie</u>.



ANNUAL CHARITY

FOOD FESTIVAL

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 6	.30 pm Gerry Kavanagh and Rita Kavanagh
	Maureen and David Spaine (Anniversary)
SUNDAY: 9	.30 am Catherine McCague (5 th Anniversary)
11.00 am William Ryan (11 th Anniversary)	
12.30 pm Jim and Marie Annesley (Anniversary)	
and Niall Annesley	
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:	
Veronica Gaffney whose funeral took place during the week	
Hugh Pat Robinson, Cristín Yearsley, Stasia McGarry (Recently Deceased)	
Also those whose anniversaries occur at this time:	
Harry McCarthy (2 nd Anniversary), Eileen Kinsella, Vincent Smith,	

Hugh Cooney (1st Anniversary), Jack Ryan,

Nicky O'Byrne (5th Anniversary), Pamela Doogan (4th Anniversary) May they rest in peace



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The Pope's Intentions February 2024 - For the terminally ill We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Daring to Hope-Irish Religious Sisters Embracing the Unknown 1923-2023, was launched by Caoimhe de Barra, CEO of Trocaire, who gave an inspiring introduction to this photographic exhibition. She noted that over the years many Religious 'broke the glass ceilings' for many women that followed. Throughout the past 100 years, Irish Religious Sisters with dedicated colleagues, responded to the call of the Gospel. The story of their courageous response to wide ranging social needs at home and abroad, is told through photos, provided by many religious congregations and societies. This exhibition will be in the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Cabra West from the 21st to the 25th February 2024. For details please contact paulioseph.thornton@dublindiocese.ie

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.



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

ADORATION: Takes place in Laurel Lodge Church every Wednesday from 8 pm to 9 pm. All Welcome. Available on the parish webcam: www.laurellodgeparish.ie Also in - St Mochta's, Porterstown - Sundays 7pm to 8pm and Our Lady Mother of the Church - Thursdays 8pm to 9pm 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.

EASTER PILGRIMAGE Come spend Easter Week in Medjugorje Join the School of Mary for a week of peace **Contact Group Leader Eleanor** Healy for more information on 0872351294

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

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.

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.