

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

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**Saturday/Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> June 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)

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Life calls for a lot of patience and trust. You can't plant an acorn today and expect to sit in its shade tomorrow. The same is true of spiritual matters. We must be patient and trust that God's grace will take over.

**First Reading:** (Ezek. 17:22-24): The prophet foretells the fall of Jerusalem. At the same time, he tells of the establishment of a universal kingdom.

**Second Reading:** (2Cor. 5:6-10): Since it is Paul's priority at all times to please the Lord, he has no fear of appearing before him.

**Gospel:** (Mark 4:26-34): Two parables about the steady growth of the kingdom of God, from insignificant beginnings, a growth brought about by God.



**REFLECTION – The Seed that Grows by Itself**

On many an idle day I have grieved over lost time  
But it is never lost, my Lord  
You have taken every moment of my life in your hands  
Hidden in the heart of things  
You are nourishing seeds into sprouts, buds into blossoms and  
ripening flowers into fruitfulness  
I was tired and sleeping in my idle bed and imagining all work had ceased  
In the morning I woke up and found my garden full with wonders of flowers



From **Sunday 7th July** there will be just **two Masses** on **Sunday mornings** in St Thomas the Apostle Church **the 9.30 and the 11am.**

We need to be able to give our priests time to go on retreat and to take some well-earned holiday time. We are looking at the future of our Mass Schedule in the context of our Parish Partnership with Porterstown and Castleknock to see what is possible and sustainable into the future.

**Children's Liturgy Group:** THIS IS THE LAST SUNDAY FOR DAY CHAPEL ACTIVITIES FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR, BUT WE WILL START UP AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER.

NEW VOLUNTEERS AND IDEAS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME - LEAVE YOUR DETAILS INTO THE PARISH OFFICE, WITH THE SACRISTAN, OR CHAT TO ANY MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP. WE ALSO FACILITATE THE GAISCE AWARD FOR TRANSITION YEAR STUDENTS.

**'BEALTAINE' - ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 12.30 MASS MUSIC GROUP** WILL SING FOR THE PARISH MASS WHICH WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON RTE ON JUNE 30th AT 11 AM

**SUMMER DUES:** Please support your priests through the Summer Dues collection. The generosity that people show towards their priests is indispensable. Please play your part, too, in a renewed and active involvement of all parishioners as together we sow seeds for a future harvest, trusting always in God's plans for us. Envelopes are at the back of the church.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY: 6.30 pm Gail Kelly (Anniversary)**

**SUNDAY: 9.30 am Cormac Forristal (recently deceased)**

**11.00 am Paul Kenna and Tadhg Kenny (anniversary)**

**12.30 pm John and Mary Byrne (anniversary)**

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Patrick Gallagher whose funeral took place on Friday

Mary Black, May Cull (*recently deceased*)

**And those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

Brother William Morgan, Tom and Eileen Connolly, Stephen Nangle,

Tony Connolly, Philip Ryan, Elizabeth Maguire

**Rest in Peace**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT  
LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION FOR THE SVP AMOUNTED TO €2,742.71

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**The Pope's Intentions June 2024 - FOR MIGRANTS FLEEING THEIR HOMES**

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

**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](http://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](mailto:OFFICE@LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE) WITH THE DETAILS. MASS INTENTIONS CAN ALSO BE BOOKED WITH THE SACRISTAN. EARLY BOOKING IS RECOMMENDED.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 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**

**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.

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



**LOURDES**  
PARISH PARTNERSHIP OF  
CASTLEKNOCK, PORTERSTOWN & LAUREL LODGE

4<sup>th</sup> Hôtel Padoue  
25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 2024  
Single room supplement €160 (limited availability)

INCLUDED

- Return flights to/from Lourdes
- 40 other pilgrims in the Pilgrim Bus
- Breakfast, lunch & dinner served each day
- Extra Lunch on the day of departure
- Full religious programme
- Supervision of a Marian Chaplain/priest throughout
- Show Money & Spiritual aids
- All airport, hotel and Local City Taxes
- Travel Insurance up to 85 years (see website for more info)

FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT  
Your Parish Office

Accompanied by Spiritual Director  
Fr. Paul Ward

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The quiz on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024** in the **Wren's Nest** will be in aid of St. Mochta's Church Maintenance Fund.



**ALONE** "Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided.

If interested please sign up here:  
<https://alone.ie/volunteers/>  
for more information, contact Fiona on [fiona.boyle@alone.ie](mailto:fiona.boyle@alone.ie) or on 086 1366539."

**SENIORLINE** - Would like someone to talk to?

SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year **10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91**. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help.  
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**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](http://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.