# PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE

in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock

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### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 23rd FEBRUARY 2025

The word of Jesus – be compassionate, do not judge, treat others as you would like them to treat you; gives us a guideline on how we treat life.

First Reading: (1Sam 26:2 7-9.12-13.22-23): David turns down the opportunity to kill Saul because it would not be right before God.
Second Reading: (1Cor. 15:45-49) Paul draws parallels between Adam and Christ; to Adam we owe the life of earth; to Christ the life of heaven.
Gospel: (Lk. 6:27-38) Jesus stresses the duty of loving one's enemy and the obligation of fraternal charity.

### **Reflection:**

There are those who give but only on condition that they receive something in return and receive it immediately. There are those who give on condition that they receive something in return later on and with a handsome profit. And there are those who give without expecting anything in return, now or ever.

These are imitating the generosity of God.

THANK The ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD Dublin amounted to €1,682

YOU The February collection for the SVP amounted to €2,831.08

**SHARE THE GOOD NEWS:** It is with joy that we can announce that, from 21st February, Archbishop Dermot Farrell has appointed Fr Francis 'Femi' Oladiipo as a Curate in our partnership Parishes of Castleknock/Laurel Lodge and Porterstown. Fr Francis is from Oyo Diocese in the South West of Nigeria. He has plenty of experience of Dublin having studied here for some years and worked previously in the parishes of Mourne Road and Lucan South. We thank God for the gifts and energy he will bring among us and thank Archbishop Farrell for this great blessing upon our community.

CHARITY QUIZ - THERE WILL BE A CHARITY QUIZ IN KAVANAGH'S PUB, LAUREL LODGE ON MONDAY 3rd March at 8pm. All proceeds will go directly to support the Kiltegan FATHERS' WORK IN THE NURSERY, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AS WELL AS A NEW VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING CENTRE IN RIWOTO, SOUTH SUDAN. THERE ARE OVER 1200 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOLS. €40 PER TABLE OF 4. CONTACT FRAN LEAHY (VOLUNTEER IN RIWOTO) AT 087 9473333 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

MASS IN CORDUFF – There will be a Mass in Corduff on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm. A young nurse Karen Ludden will give the story of her faith journey! There will be a cup of tea afterwards. All are welcome.

SYCAMORE - There will be no Sycamore meeting next Monday 24th February. Sycamore will resume on Monday 3rd March, at 7.30pm. Sycamore retreat day will be on Saturday 1st March and will close after Holy Mass at 3pm. Please phone Marian 087 295 8363

## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm <u>MONTHS MIND</u> PETER WALSH JOH

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**SUNDAY:** 9.30 am John, Mary and Patrick McManus (anniversary)

**SUNDAY: 11.30 am** Anne Curley (14<sup>th</sup> anniversary) Gerard and Ann Clynes (anniversary) Paddy Madden (20<sup>th</sup> anniversary)

### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Patricia Gilmartin and Henry Mulligan

whose funerals took place in our church during the week

Sarah Delaney (recently deceased)

<u>And those whose anniversaries occur at this time</u>

Sr. Ethna Lynch OP, Seán McDermott, John and Julia Byrne, Dympna Faughnan, Nellie and Jack Hession, Clare and Edward Gaffney, Brian Levins, Oliver Leahy, Mary-Ann Drohan, Brothers John and Willie Judge, Matt Ryan and Nellie Keenan Jean, Colette, Sheila and Mary Flood

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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 10.00am Mass on the day.



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.

Adoration: Takes place in Laurel Lodge Church every Wednesday from 8pm to 9pm. 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

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Friday mornings:** 9.00am–9.30am **Saturday evenings:** 5.00pm–5.45pm: **Rite II** (communal celebration) after the 6.30pm Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. **BAPTISMS** - Baptism Ceremonies are held on the first Sunday of the month at 12.30pm and the third Saturday of the month at 3.30pm. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### The Pope's Intentions February 2025

*For vocations to the priesthood and religious life:* Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.





As an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station we enjoy commercial free broadcasting - Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – do join our growing faith family!

### PARISH PARTNERSHIP OF CASTLEKNOCK, LAUREL LODGE AND PORTERSTOWN Pilgrimage to Knock joining the DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

#### SATURDAY 26TH APRIL

Our pilgrimage Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Farrell. A bus will be going from our parish partnership of Castleknock, Laurel Lodge and Porterstown, collecting at each parish. The price per person is €50 including these refreshments. To register your interest, please email your name, telephone number and the number of people going to parishoffice@castleknockparish.ie All age groups are very welcome.

AGE ACTION is hosting Digital Training for Older People in the Castleknock Community Centre on Fridays from 10:15 – 12:15. Please call the Getting Started team on 01-4756989

### **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

f 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.