# PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE

in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock

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Saturday/Sunday 10/11 MAY 2025

## MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK

 $Monday\ to\ Friday\ at\ 10.00 am\ -\ Saturday\ Vigil\ Mass:\ 6.30 pm$ 

# Sunday Masses: 9.30am and 11.30am

In Porterstown: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 11am
In Castleknock: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10am and 12 noon
[Mountview parish have a Sunday evening Mass at 6pm]



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 11 MAY 2025 Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we hear from Jesus: I know my sheep; they listen to my voice and they follow me.

First Reading: (Acts:13:14 43-52): Paul and Barnabas preach the gospel to the Jews, but they reject it. Then they preach the gospel to the Gentiles who receive it gladly. Second Reading: (Rev.7:9 14-17): This contains a vision of those who will come through times of persecution to share in Christ's glory in heaven. Gospel: (John 10: 27-30): Jesus, the Good Shepherd, will not allow anyone to snatch from his care the sheep the Father has given him.

## **REFLECTION**

The deepest wound of all is that which affects the heart
The feeling that one has not been loved
That one is not precious to anyone
Many people today are wounded at heart
Each of us can do something to heal their wounds
We have hands that can make things
And minds that can understand things
But above all we have hearts that can give life
We can give life to people who are inwardly broken

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Congratulations to the children from Scoil Thomáis who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday. May the Lord continue to bless them and all who helped them with their preparations. Let us keep them in our prayers.

#### **VOCATIONS SUNDAY - THIS WEEKEND**

Good Shepherd Sunday – Vocations Sunday, 11th May 2025

As we journey through the Jubilee Year of Hope, we are invited to reflect on how God continues to call each of us to bring light and hope to the world. As Pope Francis RIP tells us: "There is no vocation without mission."

We give thanks that, in the Archdiocese of Dublin, there are three seminarians, as well as a greater number discerning the priesthood. Their "yes" to God's call is a sign of great hope for our Church and our communities.

Let us pray for them, and for all those considering a vocation to the priesthood, religious life, or lay ministry that they may hear and respond to God's call. May this Good Shepherd Sunday be a moment of encouragement and support for vocations to flourish among us.

The SVP
Society monthly
collection will take
place after all Masses
this weekend

The Lay Ministry Collection will take place next weekend 17/18 May and will replace the Share Collection

## Pro Terra Sancta Collection on Good Friday

The amount collected was €880.

# **Mass Intentions**

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm Joe Smith (anniversary) Sheila Dolly (anniversary)

**SUNDAY:** 9.30 am Joe Maher (anniversary)

SUNDAY: 11.30 am Ned and Nellie Conlon (anniversary)

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Joan Devitt** whose funeral took place in our church during the week

Andrea Breton, Patrick Leanagh, Michael Kelly (recently deceased)

# And those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Padraig O'Meara, Dr. John Dillon, Nora & Tom O'Driscoll, Eileen Bolster
Deceased Members of the Fitzgerald and Leahy Families
The Kenna Family (remembrance)
Madeleine Whelan (birthday remembrance)