

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER
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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 05th May

Parish Church	Sunday morning Mass	11.00am
	Monday Mass	10.00am
	Wednesday & Friday Mass	09.30am
	Wednesday Lectio Divina in Mercy Chapel	10.00am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	07.00pm
St. Columba's Hospital	Sunday Morning Mass	09.30am
	Tuesday, Thursday Mass	10.00am

Mass times in Chapel Hill & Mong for the coming weeks.

Mass in Chapel Hill 04th May at 5.30pm & 18th May at 5.30pm

Mass in Mong 11th May at 5.30pm & 25th May at 5.30pm

Deaths/Anniversaries: **Brigid Bookle**, Bawnskeha (5.30pm Mass); **Mary Sauvage**, Waterford; (7pm Mass); **Delia Roche**, Grennan (9.30am Mass); **Michael Kelly**, Kilfane West (Months Mind Mass 11am); **Jim Kearney** (11am Mass); **Michael & Mina Gaffney**, Dangan; **Biddy Kavanagh**, Jerpoint Hill; **James & Bridget Brennan**, Powerswood.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: **Marie Woods**, 43, Cloughabrody Heights (7pm Mass); **Daniel McPherson**, Maudlin Street (7pm Mass).

Ministers of the Eucharist month May: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister

07.00pm	Teresa Cassin	Fiona Fitzpatrick	Sr. Bernadette
11.00am	Majella Morrissey	Carmel Coone	K C Babu

Ministers of the Word month of May: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister

07.00pm	09.30am	11.00am
Ann Casey	Vera Lanigan	Mary Doyle
Siobhan Collier	Margaret Freyne	Chrissie Keating

Don't forget **Trocaire**. Your contributions will make a difference. Get the boxes back soon.

Do This in Memory Programme 11am Mass this Sunday

Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Tuesday night from 8.00 to 9.00 pm in St. Columba's Hospital Chapel. All welcome.

Epilepsy Ireland Church Gate Collection total €388 was donated. Thanks for your generosity.

First Communion will be held on Saturday 18th May, with Mass beginning at 11am.

Hospital visits: Please let me know if someone in Hospital might like a visit. Hospital data protection regulations, personal preference, brevity of time in Hospital and lack of information make it more difficult nowadays to know if someone is in Hospital. If the time is short, he will be happy to call to the homes of former patients. And, of course, I will be happy to mention the person to the Lord in my prayers. Fr. Dan.

A Social Evening for all involved in various Church related activities in the Parish will be held on Tuesday 7th May beginning at 7.30pm at the Concert Hall. If we have overlooked mentioning it to you and you are among the above, our apologies. Please come along, but by Monday morning please contact Fr. Dan so we are sure to have enough for everyone.

The Quiet revolution of Pope Francis: Our Part in Creating a Synodal Church: on 15th May at 7.30pm in St Kieran's College, author Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ will lead a conversation on the Ministry of Pope Francis and how it is calling us all to a more synodal understanding of Church in which the instinct/voice of all baptised men and women is given a role in the formation and reception of church teaching and the governance of our Church. All those who serve in our parishes are asked to come along to this gathering.

St. Mary's National School are running a clothing collection in conjunction with Bag2School. This can include adult and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, bags and teddies. The LauraLynn House will also receive an additional 10% from Bag2School. The LauraLynn House is the only Children's Hospice in Ireland. Please leave any unwanted clothes to the school up to Wednesday, 15th May.

The Rower Inistioge Vocations. An anthology by Fr Richard Scriven will be launched by Bishop Dermot Farrell, Bishop of Ossory, in The Rower Hall on Friday 10th May at 8pm. All welcome to a celebration and acknowledgment of over 130 priests and religious from the Parish. Book will be on sale - €15 per copy.

Farming with Nature: Talamh Beo Meeting at the City Hall, High St, Kilkenny on Monday 13th May, at 7.30pm. TalamhBeo is a grassroots organisation of farmers, growers and land-based workers which aims to ensure a living landscape where people and ecosystems can thrive together. Call Maura 0863104008 for more info. Join us for a new way of working with the land in Ireland.

May is referred to as **the Month of Our Lady**. We put before you some ideas you might consider to make it the Month of Our Lady.

Rosary Beads are available near the statue of Mary. Give your family members a Rosary, and pray the Rosary, or even one decade, each day during this month. Please place €1 in the box for donations for candles for each Rosary.

Rosary Rally for Our Lady of Fatima on Tuesday, 14th May, at 3.00 pm in the Square, Inistioge.

Ossory Lourdes Pilgrimage: Bookings are now being taken for those who wish to travel on the Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes from May 21st to May 26th, 2019. Fare is €790pps. Please contact Eleanor (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9.30am – 1.30pm, closed on Wednesdays) on 051 880414 or email glenmore@ossory.ie

Medjugorje Conference and Day of Prayer with Sr. Briege McKenna Saturday 31st August 2019 Neptune Stadium, Cork. Tickets €20.00 available on Eventbrite.ie. Enter discount code EARLYBIRD for discount price of €15.00 available until 31st May 2019. All tickets purchased included in entry for free pilgrimage to Medjugorje from Cork or Dublin. Booking fees apply. Contact Sean O'Shaughnessy [0862959380](tel:0862959380)

Music in the Museum: A free concert of Choral and Massed Brass Band Music will take place in the beautifully restored Medieval Mile Museum, St. Mary's Lane, Kilkenny on Friday 10th of May at 8pm. Raffle and retiring collection in aid of Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children Tickets limited. Contact Liam 087 212 0201 for information