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CARES CHURCH SERVICES BEGINNING SUNDAY 07TH October

Parish Church
Sunday morning Mass 11.00am
Monday, Wednesday, Friday Mass 09.30am
Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel 10.00am
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Wednesday Lectio Divina 10.00am
Saturday Vigil Mass 07.00pm

St. Columba's Hospital
Sunday Morning Mass 09.30am
Tuesday & Thursday Mass 10.00am

Confessions
After 7pm Mass when requested.

Mass times in Chapel Hill & Mong for the coming weeks.
Mass in Chapel Hill: 06th October at 5.45pm & 20th October at 5.45pm.
Mass in Mong: 13th October at 5.45pm & 27th October at 5.45pm.

Deaths/Anniversaries: Kathleen Finan, Kilmurry (7pm Mass); Johnny Byrne, 12, Newtown Terrace (7pm Mass); Michael Dunne & daughter Julie. Castle Avenue (11am Mass); John & Nancy Hoyne, Carrigeen (10am Mass Tuesday); Noel O'Reilly, Kilkenny Road; Bridie & Jack Burris, Dangan Terrace; Deceased Members of Burris & Dermody Families; Paul Kavanagh, 1, Berkley Lawn; Patrick Bannan, Jermeytown. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: Maura Byrne, Carrickmone (7pm Mass); John Gibbons, Colmicle (9.30am Mass); Thomastown Parish Senior Citizens (11am Mass)

Ministers of the Eucharist October. Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister
07.00pm Mary Butler Joe Murphy Teresa Cassin
11.00am Tom Brett Carmel Coone Majella Morrissey

Ministers of the Word for October. Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister
07.00pm Michael Piert Joe Dunphy Tom Brett
09.30am Aleena Benny Margaret Freyne Alice Challoner
11.00am

Rosary will be recited in Inistioge Parish Church on the Feast of the Holy Rosary, Sunday 7th October at 3pm to conclude the 54 Day Rosary Crusade. We will be gathered with other countries around the world where the Rosary will also be celebrated. Please come along and join us.

Public Rosary in Inistioge Square on the 13th October at 3pm in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. All welcome and bring a friend.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service - Thomastown on Thursday 11th 5pm/8.30pm in St. Mary's N.S.

The Three Tenors in Concert On Friday 9th November 8pm in Thomastown Parish Church. The Three Tenors are joined by Choirs from Grennan College and St. Mary’s National School. Tickets €25, available at the Parish Office, Liam Reddy, Ladywell & O’Keeffe’s Shop, Market Street.

Coffee morning Thursday & Friday 11th & 12th October from 10am to 1pm in the Community Hall. All welcome.
40th Anniversary Dinner Sunday 14th October at 1pm in the Community Centre followed by Music & Dancing. Please leave your name in to the Senior Citizens Shop, Community Hall Thursday or Friday 10am to 2pm until closing date 5th October. The 11am Mass that day will be in thanksgiving for our 40 years and in remembrance of all who were part of the Association over the years.

St. Mary’s National School: Parents/Guardian who wish to enrol children in Junior Infants for September, 2019 in St. Mary’s National School may do so during Enrolment Week, Monday, 15th October to Friday, 19th October. Prospective parents may bring their children to the school to be enrolled any morning that week between 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 p.m. Enrolment forms are available at the school or through the local preschools. The completed forms must be returned at a Birth Certificate. The school will also require a Baptismal Certificate (if applicable) – this will not be necessary if your child was baptised in Thomastown.

John Waters, Vicky Wall of Every Life Counts and Paddy Manning will speak on 'The Way Forward for the Pro-Life Movement', Thursday 11th Oct in Springhill Court Hotel, Kilkenny at 7.30pm in the Kilkenny suite 1. Sponsored by Family & Life. All welcome!

Mildred Anne Butler and Her World. Talk by Dr Tom Duffy, Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Dún Laoghaire in Thomastown Community Centre, Friday 12 October at 8 p.m. This is the annual Dr Walter Walsh Memorial Lecture hosted by Dúchas - Tullaherin Heritage Society.

Acts Retreat for Men (Adoration, Community, Theology, Service): The next Acts Retreat for Men will take place from Thursday, 11th until Sunday 14th October 2018 in Castletown, Co. Laois. Come join us for a weekend of prayer, reflection, peace, tranquility and camaraderie.

Please contact: Leslie Sweeney, 086 0296325, Jim Maher, 086 1276649.

Thomastown Library 056 7794331 News: -

Walk your way to a healthy, happy life: KRSP have organised a series of guided walks for adults around Thomastown. Meet at Thomastown Library on Tuesday mornings at 10am. Suitable for men and women of all ages and physical activity levels.

Children’s Storytelling: Storytelling will take place on Saturdays at 11am. Just come along.

Irish Conversation Class: We are hoping to start up an Irish class in the library. If you would like to start to learn Irish or hope to practise the “cúpla focal” you remember from school drop in to the library or give us a call on 056 7794331.

Amoris Laetitiae – “The Church must propose the full ideal of marriage. She is also conscious of the frailty of many of her children. She must accompany the weakest of her children, who show signs of a wounded and troubled love, by restoring in them hope and confidence. Let us not forget that the Church’s task is often like that of a field hospital. She does not disregard the constructive elements in those situations which do not yet or no longer correspond to her teaching on marriage. There is a need to avoid judgements which do not take into account the complexity of various situations. It can no longer simply be said that all those in any irregular situation are living in a state of mortal sin and are deprived of sanctifying grace. General rules can’t provide absolutely for all particular situations. The Gospel tells us not to judge or condemn. Jesus expects us to enter into the reality of other people’s lives and to know the power of tenderness. Whenever we do so, our lives become wonderfully complicated. (Sections 291 to 312. Title ‘Accompanying, discerning and integrating weakness’, this chapter ought to be read fully)