

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

09th June 2019

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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 09th June

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 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	15 th June at 5.30pm & 29 th June at 5.30pm
Mass in Mong	08 th June at 5.30pm & 22 nd June at 5.30pm

Deaths/Anniversaries. Larry Walsh, Cappagh & Geraldine Forristal, Jerpoint recently deceased. Pat & Maggie Whitty, Mong (5.30pm Mass); Patrick Lennon, Legan (5.30pm Mass); James O'Brien, Mong (5.30pm Mass); Jack Lanigan, Badgerock (7pm Mass); Tommy Delaney, Pipe Street (11am Mass); Ellen O'Rourke, Newtown; Maureen & Donal Cullinane, Clonakilty, Co. Cork; Stasia Collins, Norelands. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: Angela O'Reilly, Kilkenny Road (7pm Mass); Esther & Jack Woods, 2, Newtown Terrace (7pm Mass); Nicholas White, Knocknaboola, Stoneyford (11am Mass)

Ministers of the Eucharist for June: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister

07.00pm	Helen Comerford	Anne Lee	Kathleen Gaffney
11.00am	Sharon Bambrick	Jim Fitzmorris	Rosaleen Garry

Ministers of the Word for June. Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister

07.00pm	09.30am	11.00am
Michael Piert	Anna Minogue	Rita Doyle
Bency Babu	Mairead O'Keefe	Valerie Cotter

Alzheimer's Society Church Gate Collection this weekend 08th/09th June.

We welcome Sr. Mary Crowley, Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles from Cork who will visit us next weekend to promote mission awareness at all Masses. The Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles were founded in 1876 as a group of international women religious dedicated to spreading the Good News through service and witness of their lives. Today the OLA Sisters work in 19 countries in Africa, Europe and South America. Led by Christ's message 'to bring good news to the poor', the Sisters strive to reach out through education, health care, pastoral care, inter-religious dialogue, care of the Earth and involvement in nonviolent action for justice.

Mass at Colmcille Cemetery will be held on Tuesday 11th June at 7.30pm.

Irish Wheelchair Association Annual Church Gate Collection next weekend

Fr. Ray Kelly in Concert with Meath Diocesan Choir & Kilkenny Youth Orchestra in St. Mary's Cathedral Sunday 9th June 2019 8pm. in aid of St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund. Admission €20. Tickets are available at the door.

Music in the Liturgy: A workshop for Singers, Choirs, Musicians and all who are interested in music in the liturgy Tuesday 11th June 2019 7.30pm -9.30pm in St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny. Workshop led by Dr John O'Keefe, Director of Sacred Music, St. Patrick's College Maynooth. Cost of Workshop, which includes a copy of "Feasts & Seasons 2" (with CD) €15. Booking: afd@ossory.ie or online www.ossory.ie.

To help promote Vocations to Priesthood in our Parish communities a **Workshop** will take place on Saturday 15th June at St. Kieran's College, 10am to 1pm. For further information or to register for the Workshop, contact Fr. Kieran O'Shea at vocations@ossory.ie or 086 8272828.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Annual Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday 22nd June. Bus leaving Market St. at 7.20am. Please contact Marian on 086-0693510 to secure your seat. Poster at the back of the Church.

Family Carers Ireland have a number of activities organised in Kilkenny and Carlow for Carers Week 2019, next Monday, 10th June – Friday, 14th June. Contact the office on 056 7721424 for more details and to book your place.

Notification of changes to chaplaincy list protocol at St. Luke's Hospital in Kilkenny: The General Services Manager has informed Bishop Farrell that with the introduction of GDPR legislation, the Hospital will no longer be providing a chaplaincy list on request by a priest. If a patient of the Hospital requests a visit from a priest, they should contact the priest directly. If a priest would like to know the ward location of a patient, they can enquire at the hospital reception desk.

The Rower Inistioge Vocations. An Anthology by Fr Richard Scriven acknowledging over 130 priests and religious from the Parish. Book now available at Parish Office €15 per copy.

A Rally for Life will be held in Dublin City Centre on Saturday, July 6th, at 2.00pm. Bus from Loughboy, Kilkenny. Contact Ron at 086 669 6632. Lifts to Kilkenny from Thomastown and Inistioge can be arranged. This is an opportunity to show God and our Politicians your opposition to the 900 babies now being aborted each month in Ireland.

Arthritis Ireland Kilkenny Branch is hosting an evening when hurler Michael Fennelly will talk about his journey with arthritis & pain on 13th June in Lyrath Hotel Kilkenny, from 5pm-8pm, along with talks from a physio, pharmacist & psychologist. This is a FREE event but please text/call 0871491767 to book your seat. All are welcome.

Pastoral Areas: Bishop Farrell has formed 13 Pastoral Areas, and grouped Thomastown and Inistioge together, so the two parishes are asked to foster collaboration in the years ahead. Reps from the two Parish Pastoral Councils will meet to identify priorities and to address the number of Masses in the Area, with a view to allowing a maximum choice for parishioners to attend Mass in their own Parish. The schedule must also allow a reduced number of priests to cover Masses in neighbouring parishes. The Bishop proposes that the decision about reducing and rescheduling Masses should be finalised before the end of June. The new schedule of Masses is to be introduced across the Diocese on the First Sunday of Advent 2019.

Anam Cara Tipperary, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Monday 17th June at 7:20pm in the Horse & Jockey Hotel, Thurles, Co. Tipperary. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please note there are no Events in July or August. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888888.