

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

14th January 2018

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CHURCH SERVICES BEGINNING SUNDAY 14th JANUARY

Parish Church	Sunday morning Mass	11.00am
	Monday, Wednesday, Friday	09.30am
	Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel	10/11am
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	Wednesday morning Lectio Divina	10.00am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	07.00pm
St. Columba's Hospital	Sunday Morning Mass	09.30am
	Tuesday & Thursday Mass	10.00am
Confessions	11am Saturday and after 7pm Mass when requested.	

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

Mass in Chapel Hill	20 th January, 03 rd February at 5.45pm
Mass in Mong	13 th January and 27 th January at 5.45pm

Deaths/Anniversaries: Mary Moore, Colmcille, died 11th January, Anastatia O'Brien, Mong (5.45pm Mass); Louise Walsh (Months Mind 5.45pm Mass); Walter Walsh, (7pm Mass); Frances Lannon & Patrick Lannon (7pm Mass); Michael Walsh, Friars Hill (9.30am Mass); Mary & Eddie Fenlon, Bridge House (9.30am Mass); Noel Dempsey, Bawnskeha (11am Mass); Noreen Walsh, Dangan & All Deceased Members of the Walsh Family; Patrick & Emily Morrissey, Ladywell; Eamon Morrissey, London; Michael & Margaret Landy, Station Rd; Sarah & John Maher, Durrow; Mary Campbell, Drogheda; Fr. Leonard Forristal and Pat Forristal, Ballyconway, Catherine Lee, Maudlin Street. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: Julie Stapleton, 7, Dangan Terrace (11am Mass)

Do This in Memory Programme 11am Mass this Sunday

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

07.00pm	Benny Anthony	Catherine Walsh	Kathleen Gaffney
11.00am	Breda Bergin	Tom Brett	Carmel Coone

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

07.00pm	09.30am	11.00am
Alicia Dunphy	Mairead O'Keefe	Francis Roche
Ms. Sarah Jane Comerford	Bernie Egan	Joe Dunphy

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society will join with Parish Adoration on Monday 15th to pray for Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life ending with Rosary at 8pm. All welcome, please join us.

Calendar 2018 A small number of the specially produced calendar commemorating the 150th anniversary of the dedication of our Church are still available from the Parish Officer at €10 each for anyone who may still wish to purchase.

Church Pipe Organ Course: Congratulations to Orla Little, Natasha Murray and Anne-Marie O'Carroll who completed the pipe organ tuition course under Derek Verso of the Fine-Tuning Company. Organ music at this Sunday's 11o'clock Mass is thanks to them. The organ was refurbished by Derek Verso 2015-16 and thanks are due to all who supported the many fund-raising activities to cover the cost of this project.

To more mundane but necessary things Envelopes are currently being distributed throughout the Parish for the support of Parish projects, and ordinary running costs, and for the support of the Parish Priest. If you don't receive envelopes, please contact the Parish Office – you may not be on Parish list, so it will be good to include you. We need your financial support.

Regarding the method of payment, The Finance Committee suggests that you may find it more convenient to set up a Standing Order using the following information: Account Name: Thomastown Church Parochial Current Account. BIC: BOFIE2D. IBAN: IE39BOFI90609911711780.

Blood Transfusion – St. Mary's N.S. Thomastown on Wednesday 17th January 5/8.30pm

The Irish Wheelchair Association will be holding a Church gate collection this weekend. **The Order of Malta** will hold a Church gate Collection next weekend.

Mass Cards People continue to pray, and have Mass offered for people when times are difficult, or good, or at the time of death. Signed Mass Cards and Christmas Mass Bouquets will be available at the Parish Office, and at the Churches of the Parish. At the Churches, please call to the Sacristy.

Accord - Dates for Pre-Marriage Courses 2018: January - 19th/20th; February - 23rd/24th; March 23rd/24th; April 27th/28th; May 25th/26th; June 22nd/23rd; Seville Lodge Callan Road Kilkenny Friday night 7.30pm to 10pm, Saturday 10am to 5.30pm, Light Lunch - 1pm to 2pm, Cost €150.00. Contact: Mary Curtin at 056 7722674 or book online at www.accord.ie

MABS: The Kilkenny Money Advice & Budgeting Service, at 8, William St., Kilkenny, provides a Free and Confidential money management and advice service to everyone. Its main purpose is to assist people in dealing with their existing debt difficulties and to help them begin to manage their finances. Contact No. 076 1072610.

FREE Professional Cookery Course QQI Level 4 Starting in January 2018, please contact our office at Unit 7 Danville Business Park Ring Road Kilkenny on 0567701020

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: The Ossory Adult Faith Development group are organising a diocesan pilgrimage to the Holy Land. In October 2018 (2nd -10th) you will have an opportunity to prayerfully follow in the footsteps of Jesus around many of the locations that framed his life and ministry. Visit Jerusalem, Jericho, the Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, the River Jordan, Bethlehem, the Garden of Gethsemane and many other places as we reflect on the life of Jesus and his earliest followers. Pilgrimage Chaplains: Fr Kieran O'Shea & Fr Dermot Ryan. Return flights and accommodation €1,295 per person sharing (single rooms also available with supplement). More information at www.ossory.ie or from the AFD Office 056-7753624.

Parish Prayer: *We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may take the time to get to know others, no matter where in the world they are from or how different they are from us, and care for them and help them as God loves and cares for us.*