THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER  
24th February 2019

Irish Blood Transfusion Service: Blood Donation Clinic will be at St. Mary’s National School Thomastown on Monday 25th February from 5pm to 8pm.

You Shall be my Witnesses, The young people commit, in preparation for the Sacrament, to take time each day to pray, to participate in the prayer of the community by being at Mass every weekend, to take part fully in the preparation for Confirmation at school, in the parish and at home, and to be the kind of person that Jesus would want them to be at home, at school and in the parish community. Noble aspirations, and how can you help them to be faithful to their commitment? The 4-week programme resumes on Tuesday at 7.30, at the National School. A group of Moms and Dads conduct the programme over the four weeks.

Cathedral Draw: The current Draw concludes next Wednesday. Over four years the Draw has raised €452,000 for the restoration of the Cathedral. Thanks to all who contributed. The first draw of Year Five will be held on Wednesday 27th March. Do please consider joining.

Fiver Friday: The School of Food pop up restaurant will be open from 12pm – 2pm every Friday serving a delicious lunch! We will also have a take away option available from 11.30am. All dishes €5 or whatever you would like to donate.

South Kilkenny Historical Society: Friday, March 1st, 8pm - ‘The Beginning of the War of Independence in Kilkenny’ by Eoin Swithin Walsh in Mullinavat Parish Hall (opposite church). Admission: €5 (Society members free). All welcome.

The Kilkenny Great War Memorial Committee: Second World War Names Appeal. If you know someone from Kilkenny who took part in World War II, please email: kilkennywarmemorial@gmail.com phone 086 3369080 Post to 48, John Street. If possible include rank, regiment, service number and any other relevant information.

Kilkenny Alzheimer’s Day Care Centre, Carer’s Support Group: Tuesday 5th March 2019, 3.00-4.30pm at The Village Day Centre. Information and support for past and present carers of people with Alzheimer’s/Dementia. All are welcome. For more information call 056-7771230.

Art Exhibition: The local Watercolour Art Group will hold an Art Exhibition in the Gallery at The Watergarden, Ladyswell Street, Thomastown from February 21st to March 20th. The exhibition will open on Thursday 21st February at 12noon. All welcome. Anyone interested in joining the group please contact Miriam on 086 3047711 or Mary on 086 1553688. The group meet for two hours (10am – 12 noon) every Thursday morning.

Parish Prayer: We pray for our parish, our family and our friends: that we may live our lives as Jesus asked, giving generously of our time, our love and our kindness to all, no matter where in the world they live.

Safeguarding: If you have a safeguarding concern contact the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person
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The Safeguarding Representatives in this parish are Brigid Begley and Ray O’Carroll
They can be contacted through the Parish Office.