Thomastown Parish Newsletter
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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 04th August
Parish Church
Sunday morning Mass 11.00am
Monday Mass 10.00am
Wednesday & Friday Mass 09.30am
Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel 10.00am
Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel 07/08pm
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 03rd August at 5.30pm & 17th August at 5.30pm
Mass in Mong 10th August at 5.30pm & 24th August at 5.30pm

Deaths/Anniversaries. Elizabeth McConville, Low Street (Months Mind Mass 7pm); Peggy Dack, 26, Castle Avenue (7pm Mass); Michael Kennedy, Brownsmain (11am Mass). Julie Mason Ne Dunne, 25, Castle Ave. (11am Mass); Bridie & Billy O’Brien, Newtown Tce. Sean Davis, Logan Street. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: John Morrissey, Clossgregg (Months Mind Mass 5.30pm); Annie Lennon, Legan (5.30pm Mass); Bobbie & Annie Power, Grennan View (7pm Mass); Richard Lanigan, Jerpoint Church (7pm Mass); John Lanigan, Jerpoint Church (7pm Mass); Paul Stapleton, Legan (11am Mass); Catherine Burke, Castle Avenue (11am Mass).

Ministers of the Eucharist for August: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister
07.00pm Joe Murphy Sr. Anna Pat Fennelly
11.00am Tom Walsh Alice Challoner Rosaleen Garry

Ministers of the Word for August. Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister
07.00pm 09.30am
Nellie Doherty 11.00am Bernie Egan Norin Fitzgerald
David McPherson Pat Cronin Mary Doyle

Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday night in St Columba’s Chapel, from 8.00 - 9.00pm. All welcome.

Cemetery Mass will be held at the Cemetery at St. Columba’s Hospital on Thursday 8th August at 10am.

Anniversary Masses: as is the practice in many other parishes, more than one anniversary or months mind remembrance will now be assigned to a weekend Mass. It has become very difficult to accommodate the number of Masses requested on particular weekends. If that doesn’t suit, the Mass can be offered at our weekday Masses, Monday to Friday.

CHurch Services taking place Tuesday and Thursday evenings
Sunday 03rd August
10.00pm Church Services Kilkenny Cathedral (Vespers)
6.00pm Church Services St. Columba’s Hospital (7pm Mass)
5.30pm Church Services Campion Hall (5.30pm Mass)
9.00pm Church Services Neptune Stadium, Cork. Tickets €20.00 available from Veritas and online at Eventbrite.ie. Contact enquiries@prioryinstitute.com Check the website www.prioryinstitute.com

The Knockadoon Music and Liturgy Course is now open for booking! Experience a week of music and friendship from the 11th to the 17th of August! More info available on our Facebook, Instagram & Twitter @KnockadoonML or our website www.knockadoonml.com

The Priory Institute: Study Theology Online. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Flexible accessible Courses. Register now for Autumn 2019. Email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com Check the website www.prioryinstitute.com

Medjugorje Conference and Day of Prayer with Sr. Briege McKenna. Saturday 31st August, Neptune Stadium, Cork. Tickets €20.00 available from Veritas and online at Eventbrite.ie. Contact Sean O’Shaughnessy 0862959380

Computer Classes: Paul of Kilkenny Adult Learning Services has been teaching Computer Classes for beginners in Thomastown Library for several years now with great results! He will be returning in September. We will be offering the following classes: Free Beginner Computer Classes, Free Driver Theory Test Tuition Call in to book a place or give us a ring on 056 7794331

The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace one step at time. Towards Peace provides a spiritual direction service. Up to nine sessions with a specially trained spiritual companion can be made available; there is no fee.

Spiritual direction offers a safe space to attend to your own spiritual life and sense of the Sacred. It is an ancient practice in many religious traditions. Within the Christian tradition, spiritual direction offers a way to tune into the presence of God’s love within your own life. Phone 01 5053028; email towardspeace@icon.ie web www.towardspeace.ie

GROW Mental Health Support groups are free and confidential and open to all, no referral or booking needed. Meeting Times are: Tuesday @ 10am. Wednesday @ 8pm Friday @ 10.30am. Venue: Grow Office Barrack Street Kilkenny. (CEART grp: mental health effects of living with chronic pain/long term illness. Please contact Mary 087 2843424

Thomastown Creative Arts Festival, 8-18th August. While Arts Week goes on in Kilkenny, here in Thomastown we have a strong tradition of art and culture too. Be sure to visit some – or better still, all – of the exhibitions taking place.

While availing of the exhibitions, don’t forget to visit the Paddock overlooking the Quay. This has recently been opened, after much work by Thomastown Tidy Towns Committee. We are indebted to Thomastown Tidy Towns Committee for its work in the area.

It is not possessions that are sinful but possessiveness. To be detached doesn’t mean being indifferent or uninterested. It means to be non-posessive. Life is a gift to be grateful for, not a possession to cling to. A non-possessive life is a free life.