THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER
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CHURCH SERVICES BEGINNING SUNDAY 04th FEBRUARY

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
After 7pm Mass when requested.

Mass times in Chapel Hill & Mong for the coming weeks.
Mass in Chapel Hill 03rd February 17th February at 5.45pm
Mass in Mong 10th February 24th February at 5.45pm

Deaths/Anniversaries: Finbarr Phelan, Newtown Terrace, died Wednesday. Joe Minogue, Newtown Terrace (7pm Mass); Thomas & Margaret Tyrrell (11am Mass); Billy & Mary McMahon, Newtown (9.30am Mass Wed.); Brohna Woods, 2, Newtown Terrace; Statia Grace, Logan Street; Paddy & Daisy Murphy, Logan Street; Leonard Teesdale, Belmore, Jerpoint Church; Ellen Fitzsimons, 6, Newtown Terrace; Paula O’Shea, Cloughabrody Heights; Richard Gaule. Colmicle, Angela Walsh, Jerpoint Hill; Margaret Lennon (nee Cullen), Clossgregg. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: Gretta Dunphy, Newtown Terrace (7pm Mass); Mary Dunne, Jerpoint Church, (Months Mind 11am Mass); Kathleen & Patrick Delahunty, Mill Street (11am Mass); John Delahunty, 35, Newtown Terrace (11am Mass); Andrew & Kathleen Barron, Ballyconway, (9.30am Mass Monday).

Anniversary Masses: Over the past few months it has become increasingly difficult to accommodate the number of Anniversary Masses requested in the weekend Mass schedule. With immediate effect, as is the practice in many other parishes, more than one anniversary or months mind remembrance will now be assigned to a weekend Mass.

Ministers of the Eucharist month Feb. : Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister.
07.00pm Sr. Bernadette Anne Treacy Michael Pieri
11.00am Marian Fennelly Tom Walsh Majella Morrissey

Ministers of the Word for Feb.: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister.
07.00pm. 09.30am 11.00am
Aleena Benny Sr. Anna Chrissie Keating Rita Doyle
Margaret Freyne Bernadette Bradshaw

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday next in St. Columba’s 8/9pm. All welcome. Please bring a friend.

Confirmation 2018 will be held on Saturday 16th June. Parents of those presenting for the Sacrament are asked to come to a meeting at the National School on Wednesday 7th February at 7.30pm.

The Kilkenny Coeliac Support Group will be meeting in St.Patrick’s Parish Centre Loughboy on Tuesday night, February 6th, at 7.30pm. Those affected by this disease are welcome to attend and share their views and experiences.

Thomastown Library Book Club meets on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 2.15 pm. Next meeting will take place on Wednesday 7th February to discuss “The Doctor’s Wife is Dead”.

Do This in Memory Programme with those preparing for First Communion next Sunday 03rd February 11am Mass

Eucharistic Ministers People willing to serve in Church as Eucharistic Ministers are trained during Lent. Will you consider serving in this way, please. Say Yes, like Mgr. Farrell to his call. Please talk with one of the Eucharistic Ministers or with Fr. Dan or Margaret Ryan.

Parents of School going-children: A Free information evening for parents of school going-children: How to handle exam stress, bullying, peer pressure and other issues facing students of all ages. Springhill Court hotel Monday 12th February 7.30 -9.30 pm. 0868203521

World War 2: Mass times in Chapel Hill & Mong for the coming weeks. World War 2: Mass in Mong 07.00pm, Wednesday morning Lectio Divina 10.00am

Are you struggling with anxiety or depression? finding life difficult? feeling isolated? in need of support? GROW is here to help you. GROW is a community-based mental health organisation which holds weekly meetings. GROW meetings provide help and support to anyone experiencing mental health difficulties or struggling with any aspect of their mental wellbeing. Meetings are confidential and no referral is necessary, simply come along. GROW promotes breaking social isolation and promoting social connectedness and is centred around the idea that ‘I alone can do it, but I cannot do it alone’. For Kilkenny Carlow Groups:
Tuesday @ 10am, Grow Office, Ormonde Home, Barrack St Kilkenny
Tuesday @ 7.45pm, St Catherine’s Social Service Centre, Joseph’s Road, Carlow
Wednesday @ 8pm, Grow Office, Ormonde Home, Barrack St Kilkenny
Friday @ 10.30am Ceart/Grow Group, Grow Office, Ormonde Home, Barrack St Kilkenny

Safeguarding Pope Francis says that ‘Families need to know that the Church is making every effort to protect children’. Please check the Diocesan website – www.ossory.ie or www.safeguarding.ie, the website of the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland.

Television viewing this coming week Why not watch Magical Sites, a visit to the round tower at Glendalough. This airs at 10.55pm on Wednesday on RTE2. Record it for viewing at a more convenient time, maybe.

Parish Prayer: Loving Father, bless everyone in our parish who is feeling hopeless or despairing. We pray that the Spirit of God will bring light into their darkness and hope into their hearts. ty’s website at irishcancer.ie or contact the Irish Cancer Society on 01 2310 522.