

**PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

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*May 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 – Pentecost Sunday*

❖ **PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Pentecost saw the birth of a new community, the Church. This is the day the apostles left the upper room, where they had been hiding for fear of the Jews, and went to preach the gospel to the world.

**First Reading:** (Acts 2:1-11)

Luke describes the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and the effect it has on them.

**Second Reading:** (1 Cor. 12:3-7; 12-13)

The Holy Spirit gives different gifts to different people, for the good of the Church, the Body of Christ.

**Gospel:** (John 20:19-23)

The risen Jesus gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples and starts the mission of the Church.

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH IN CHINA 24<sup>th</sup> MAY**

*Our Lady of Sheshan, sustain all those in China, who amid their daily trials, continue to believe, to hope, to love. May they never be afraid to speak of Jesus to the world, and of the world to Jesus. In the statue overlooking the shrine you lift your Son on high, offering him to the world with open arms in a gesture of love.*

*Help Catholics always to be credible witnesses to this love, ever clinging to the rock of Peter on which the church is built. Mother of China and all Asia, pray for us now and for ever. Amen.*

*Prayer of Pope Benedict XVI*

Thank you very much for your generous contributions to last weekend's outdoor collection in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

The total amount collected was **€1,657.45.**

The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. You can attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home.

To find out more about the Online Open Day on 12<sup>th</sup> June log onto:

<https://prioryinstitute.com/events/priory-institute-open-day>

**Marian Pilgrimages** have released their pilgrimage schedule for 2021/2022 to Lourdes, Medjugorje, Fatima, Italy and the Holy Land.

For more information or to register your interest

visit [www.marian.ie](http://www.marian.ie) or ring Marian Pilgrimages on (01) 878 8159.

❖ Adoration takes place in the Church every Wednesday from 8p.m. to 9p.m. All welcome.

Also available on the parish webcam: [www.laurellodgeparish.ie](http://www.laurellodgeparish.ie)



❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Saturday:	6.30pm	Confirmation Preparation Mass
Sunday:	9.30am	Mary Connor Recently Deceased
	11.00am	Sally Dunne Recently Deceased
	12.30pm	David Musgrave 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

❖ **Remember in your prayers:**

Matthew Sheridan, John Cronin, Brid Costello,  
Thomas Healy and Susan Daly-Stanek, *all recently deceased.*

Also, William Brophy, John Kinsella, Brendan Mulhall  
and Katie Keegan,

*whose anniversaries occur at this time.*

*May they Rest in Peace.*