

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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July 31st /1st August 2021 – Eighteenth Sunday of the Year

❖ **Mass for the coming week:**
Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

❖ **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Last week's Gospel saw Jesus feeding the hungry people. But the Gospel makes it clear that Jesus did not come simple to satisfy physical hunger. He came to give heavenly bread that people will eat and never be hungry.

First Reading: (Ex. 16:2-4; 12-15)

God feeds his people in the desert with manna

Second Reading: (Eph. 4:17; 20-24)

Paul encourages the Ephesians to live lives that are in keeping with their baptismal calling

Gospel: (Jn. 6:24-35)

Jesus states that He himself is the true bread from heaven of which the manna provided by Moses was but a foreshadowing

Reflection

A Day at a Time

God provided a mysterious food called manna for the Israelites during their time in the desert. However, they were told not to stockpile the manna, but to gather what they only needed for one day.

Jesus told his disciples not to worry about tomorrow. He said: when you pray to your heavenly Father, you are to say:

Give us this day our daily bread. No matter how difficult life may be for those who trust in God, and who live a day at a time

The manna falls every day.

❖ **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

The Pope's Intentions (Aug. 2021)

Intention for evangelization – The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19.

Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week,

8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

❖ **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Saturday:	6.30pm	Conor Scully - Month's Mind
Sunday:	9.30am	Alice Small – Anniversary
	11.00am	Oliver Leahy – First Anniversary
	12.30pm	Brendan Sammon – 2nd Anniversary John and Delia Sammon - Anniversary

❖ ***Remember in your prayers***

***Rosemarie Martin, Peggy Ryan, Hugh Murray,
Muriel McCarthy, John Hollingsworth
recently deceased***

***Also, Patsy Bourke and Paddy Bourke,
Martina Griffin, Karl Andrews
whose anniversaries occur at this time.***

May they Rest in Peace.