

***PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE***  
*in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock*

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**Saturday/Sunday – 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

**MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**Monday to Friday at 10.00 am - Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30 pm**

**Sunday Masses: 9.30 am and 11.00 am**

(St Philip the Apostle Mountview – 6.00 pm)

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

When Jesus returned to Nazareth it was a sad occasion for him, because his own people rejected him. Because of their lack of faith Jesus was unable to do anything for them. With the celebration of the Eucharist, we know that Jesus is with us.

**First Reading: (Ezek. 2:2-5)**

God sends a prophet to his people to ensure that they do not remain in ignorance of their disobedience.



**Second Reading: (2Cor.12:7-10)**

In his weaknesses, Paul experiences the power of God's grace.

**Gospel: (Mark 6:1-6)**

True to the proverb that no prophet is honoured by his own people. Jesus is rejected by the people of Nazareth.

**REFLECTION**

Do not let yourselves be guided by the spirit of self-indulgence. Look at the legacy self-indulgence produces: Bad temper; fighting; cruelty, meanness. These are ugly things and make life miserable. Rather let yourself be guided by the Spirit of God. Look at the legacy it brings. Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness. They are a foretaste of the joys of heaven.

**SUMMER DUES**

Please support your priests through the Summer Dues collection. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Thank You.

**Congratulations** to our 'Bealtine' choir and friends who did our parish proud by leading the music for the Mass broadcast on RTE last Sunday morning. I received phone calls, emails and messages from Kilkenny, Kerry and even New York from people I had never met expressing their appreciation for an uplifting celebration that communicated joy. Many hours of rehearsal and hard work went into it. Sincere thanks, too, to our Auxiliary Bishop Paul Dempsey who celebrated our 12.30pm Mass last weekend. He will soon be a near neighbour and we pray that the joy of the Lord will be his strength as he takes up his important ministry among us.

*Fr Damian*

From this **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July** there will be just **two Masses** on **Sunday mornings** in St. Thomas the Apostle Church **the 9.30am and the 11am.**

**Sharing Mass Intentions:** A very strong characteristic of our parish is your desire to have the Holy Mass offered for your loved ones, especially for those who have "fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection". The demand often far exceeds the number of Masses we have available. Sometimes there can be a no Mass intention free for several months, especially for those seeking a Sunday Mass. In many other parishes, people have been asked if they would be so gracious as to share a Mass intention with another family seeking to remember a loved one, particularly in the case of Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses, and this has worked well. So, it is my hope that this solution will be acceptable to you and your families.

*Fr. Damian*

**BAPTISMS IN JUNE:** We welcome in baptism - Cían, Alexandra, Leon, Levi, Maya, Emily, Leo, Sophie, Lily-Rose, Blake, Ella and Fionnuala.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY: 6.30 pm Kevin, Marie, Martina,  
Kevin Jnr and Adell Doyle (Anniversary)**

**SUNDAY: 9.30 am Michael, Bridget, Teresa, Mary Cristina  
and Monica Ryan (Anniversary)**

**11.00 am Peg Bernie (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) and Joe Bernie  
Michael Jago (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)**

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**



Anne Hunt, Anne O'Connor, Michael Whelan, Anne Smyth,  
Statia McGarry, Hilary Keely, *(recently deceased)*

**And those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

Michael Ryan, Ciara Delaney, Mary and Michael McAndrew,  
Connie and Liz Kavanagh

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**ART EVENT**

**CASTLEKNOCK COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Exhibition of Laurel Lodge Local Art Group 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July from 1pm to 4pm

**ADORATION:** TAKES PLACE IN LAUREL LODGE CHURCH EVERY WEDNESDAY  
FROM 8 PM TO 9 PM. ALL WELCOME.

AVAILABLE ON THE PARISH WEBCAM: [WWW.LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE](http://WWW.LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE)

ALSO IN - **ST MOCHTA'S, PORTERSTOWN** - SUNDAYS 7PM TO 8PM

AND **OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH** - THURSDAYS 8PM TO 9PM

**MASS INTENTIONS:** TO ARRANGE AN ANNIVERSARY MASS OR MASS FOR A SPECIAL  
INTENTION PLEASE PHONE THE PARISH OFFICE (01 8208112) OR EMAIL  
[OFFICE@LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE](mailto:OFFICE@LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE) WITH THE DETAILS. MASS INTENTIONS CAN ALSO BE  
BOOKED WITH THE SACRISTAN. EARLY BOOKING IS RECOMMENDED.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Friday mornings: 9.00am – 9.30am  
Saturday evenings: 5.00pm – 5.45pm - **Rite II** (communal celebration) after  
the 6.30 pm Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month

**PRAYERS/INTENTIONS** - A basket will be left at the altar for people to  
place their intentions/prayer requests. These will be prayed for at the  
10.00 am Mass on the day.



**BAPTISMS:** Baptism Ceremonies are held on the first Sunday of the month  
and the third Saturday of the month. Please contact the Parish Office  
for more information.



**Scoil Mhuire National School**  
**Mount Sackville** is now a co-  
educational school and can enrol  
boys into Junior Infants in  
September 2024. Please see  
[www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.](http://www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.com)  
[com](http://www.scoilmhuiremountsackville.com) or contact 018213105 for  
details.

***ALONE*** "Would you be willing  
to provide companionship or make  
calls to Older People once a week?  
*ALONE* are seeking volunteers in your  
area. Full training and support  
provided.  
If interested please sign up here:  
<https://alone.ie/volunteers/>  
for more information, contact Fiona  
on [fiona.boyle@alone.ie](mailto:fiona.boyle@alone.ie) or on  
086 1366539."

**The Pope's Intentions July 2024 – FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK**  
We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer on those who  
receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a  
visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

**SENIORLINE** - Would like someone to talk to?

SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people  
open every day of the year **10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91**.  
SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss  
options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be  
alone if sharing a problem would help.  
**Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91 open every day of the year 10am-10pm.**

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free  
Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available  
from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit  
[www.hospicefoundation.ie](http://www.hospicefoundation.ie) for more information.

**AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS:** If you or those with whom you  
work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider  
using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or  
support mail.