

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

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Saturday/Sunday 26th / 27th JULY 2025

MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK

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

Sunday Masses: 9.30am and 11.30am

In Porterstown: No Saturday Mass during July & August. Sunday 11am

In Castleknock: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10am and 12 noon

[Mountview parish have a Sunday evening Mass at 6pm]

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 27th JULY 2025

Jesus says to us what he said to his disciples – “Ask and you will receive, seek and you will find”. Jesus is encouraging us to have recourse to God.

First Reading: (Gen. 18:20-32): Abraham intercedes with God on behalf of Sodom – a city full of evil.

Second Reading: (Col. 2:12-14): Through baptism a Christian dies to the old sinful way of life and rises to new life.

Gospel: (Luke 11:1-13): Jesus urges the apostles to pray to God with a childlike trust.

REFLECTION

Jesus urges us to ask, see and knock

This means that our faith has to be an active one

However, sometimes we are too proud to ask, So we don't receive

We are too lazy to seek, So we don't find

And we are too timid to knock, So the door doesn't open to us

We must be humble and trustful, yet bold and energetic
if we are to receive good things from Our Father in heaven

'BEALTAINÉ' MUSIC GROUP - 'BEALTAINÉ' WILL BE RETURNING IN OCTOBER TO SING FOR 11.30am MASS.
THEY WILL SING FOR ONE SUNDAY IN THE MONTH.
THE ACCOMPLISHED GROUP REQUIRE JUST TWO FEMALE VOCALISTS & TWO MALE VOCALISTS TO COMPLETE COMPLEMENT.
FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CHAT TO BEALTAINÉ MEMBERS IN THE CHURCH COURTYARD AFTER ALL MASSES TODAY.



***Prayer for the Fifth World Day for Grandparents
and the Elderly Sunday 27th July 2025***

'Blessed are those who have not lost hope' (Sir 14:2)

How beautiful are these words of yours, Lord!

animated by the hope that comes from You!

Help us in this divisive world,

to bring the hope of communion.

Help us in this world, wounded by wars,

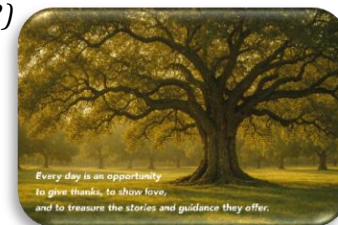
to bring the hope of peace.

Help us in this world, which is dehumanizing, to bring the beauty of an ancient smile.

Help us to be, for our grandchildren, for our loved ones and for everyone we meet, the memory of your tenderness.

Help us to bring, in a world distracted from You, the Hope of a new life that only You can give!

For in You, Lord, nothing is lost For in You, Lord, everything begins again!
Amen



Summer Dues 2025: Summer Dues collection envelopes are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm Mary and John McSweeney (anniversary)

SUNDAY: 9.30 am Dolly Ring (4th anniversary)

SUNDAY: 11.30 am Brendan Sammon (6th anniversary)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bohdan Lozynskyy, Peter Burton, Margaret Macken (*recently deceased*)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Annie Keenan, Tony Dooley (9th anniversary),
Eddie Boyle (3rd anniversary)

