## PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE

in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock

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Saturday/Sunday 2nd / 3rd AUGUST 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]

#### **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 3 AUGUST 2025**

Over concern about our possessions can be detrimental. We can forget about the important things of life. Our main concern is to be rich in the sight of God.

First Reading: (Eccles. 1:2; 2:21-23): The things that are supposed to satisfy human beings do not satisfy them.

Second Reading: (Col. 3:1-5, 9-11): Through baptism we share in the life of Christ. We hear of some of the conclusions that follow from this.

Gospel: (Luke 12:13-21): Jesus warns against greed and stresses the foolishness of depending on material things for one's security rather than God.

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

**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 10.00am Mass on the day.



### REFLECTION

While out for an evening walk I emerged from an area where the streets were lit by bright lamps and came into an open dark area.

It was only then that I discovered that the sky was full of stars. And I thought to myself how easily and effectively the earthly lights extinguish the heavenly ones.

Lord, help us to seek the things that make me rich in your sight and grant that the glitter of this world may not dim our hopes of heavenly glory.

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

BAPTISMS JULY 2025 - Congratulations to the children who were baptised in our church in July - Cillian, Jack, Eleanor, Vivienne, Billy, and Emilia. We pray that God will bless them and their families as they begin their journey of faith.

**BOOKS/LIBRARY** - We would be grateful if people could please refrain from leaving boxes or bags of books in the church. You are welcome to Borrow, Read, Enjoy and Return the books that are in the library at the back of the church. Thank you.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm Kevin and Marie Doyle, Kevin Inr. and

**Martina Doyle (anniversary)** 

SUNDAY: 9.30 am Nancy and James Grimes (anniversary)

SUNDAY: 11.30 am Karl Andrews (anniversary)

# REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary O'Toole, Sarita Bhatt, (recently deceased)

## And those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Oliver Leahy, Martina Griffin, Deceased Members of the Kenna Family, John Hollingsworth, Muriel McCarthy, Stephen Spizer