

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

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**Saturday/Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 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: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 11am

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

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

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**Prisoners Sunday**

During the celebration of this Eucharist we give thanks to God for all the blessings He gives in this life, especially through Jesus Christ. Let us call to mind that we have not always shown thanks to God for this goodness to us or to others.

**First Reading:** (2Kings 5: 14-17): On being cured of leprosy Naaman comes to believe in the one true God and is generous in his praise of the prophet Elisha.

**Second Reading:** (2Tim 2:8-13): Paul tells Timothy that the work of preaching the gospel will result in hardship, opposition and persecution.

**Gospel:** (Luke 17: 11-19): The story of ten people who were cured of leprosy by Jesus; and only one returned to say thanks.

**REFLECTION**

ONCE THERE WAS A YOUNG MAN WHO NEVER THOUGHT OF DONATING BLOOD. THEN HIS FATHER GOT VERY ILL AND WAS HOSPITALISED. ONE DAY THE SON WAS SITTING BY HIS FATHER'S BEDSIDE AS HE WAS GETTING A BLOOD TRANSFUSION. AS HE WATCHED THE BLOOD FLOWING INTO HIS FATHER'S VEINS HE SUDDENLY REALISED THAT SOMEONE HAD DONATED THE BLOOD THAT WAS KEEPING HIS FATHER ALIVE. STRAIGHTAWAY HE DECIDED TO BECOME A DONOR. AND HE WAS AS GOOD AS HIS WORD. MANY ARE WILLING TO AVAIL OF THE GENEROSITY OF OTHERS BUT FEW ARE WILLING TO GIVE SOMETHING BACK. THIS IS WHY GRATITUDE IS SO IMPORTANT. IT MAKES US WANT TO GIVE SOMETHING BACK.

The  St. Vincent de Paul Society monthly collection will take place after all Masses this weekend.

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO:** LET US GATHER AND PRAY DURING OCTOBER TO HONOUR OUR LADY, PRAY FOR HER INTENTIONS, FOR WORLD PEACE AND OUR OWN INTENTIONS.

**LOCATION** - ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH, LAUREL LODGE.

**TIME** - 4 PM DAILY IN FRONT OF THE STATUE OF OUR LADY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK.

**CASTLEKNOCK LIONS** would like to sincerely thank those who generously donated €1,375 to last week's collection.

**BAPTISMS in September** – Luke, David, Callan, Harry, James and Austin. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

**Children's Liturgy Group - Day Chapel Team New volunteers welcome!**

Leave your details with the parish office or sacristan, or chat to any member of the Children's Liturgy Group after Mass. We also facilitate the Gaisce Award for Transition Year students. All our volunteers are Garda vetted and undergo Dublin Diocesan Safeguarding training.

**ADORATION** with Music and Reflection takes place on the third Friday of each month at OLMC. Join us on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm - 8pm** to pray for peace. All welcome. **COMMUNAL FIRST SATURDAYS:** There will be a meeting at OLMC Parish Centre on the **15<sup>th</sup> October from 7:30 to 8:30pm** for those interested in doing the Communal First Saturdays and to prepare for the next First Saturday.

**SCOIL THOMÁIS JUNIOR INFANT ADMISSIONS  
2026/2027 APPLY ONLINE – OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>-31<sup>ST</sup> 2025**

<http://scoilthomais.ie/index.php/admissions> ☎01-8201022

Next weekend - **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup>** - we will celebrate World Mission Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. Please call **Missio Ireland** on (01) 497 2035 or go to [www.missio.ie](http://www.missio.ie) for further information.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY: 6.30 pm** Declan Fitzpatrick (anniversary)  
Michael Heneghan (anniversary)

**SUNDAY: 9.30 am** Sean and Mary Finlay and Moira Finlay (anniversary)

**SUNDAY: 11.30 am** Eva Duggan and Victor and Pauline Fitzpatrick  
Billy Harmon (anniversaries)

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Ann Massey (*recently deceased*)

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

Patrick Quinlan, Bob and Lena Furlong, Patrick McCague, Barry Walsh, Gerry Small, Christine Carton, John Quinn, Sarah Cooney, Stephen Dennehy, Frank and Rose Whelan, Barney McCallion, Deceased Members of the Laurel Lodge Walking Group