

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

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Saturday/Sunday 7th / 8th FEBRUARY 2026

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]

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 8th February 2026

International Day of Prayer and Awareness against human trafficking

Christians who live according to the Beatitudes become the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We should praise the works that result from the light, rather than live in a world of darkness.

First Reading: (Isaiah 58:7-10): Genuine worship of God is shown in the practice of justice and a concern for the poor and homeless.

Second Reading: (1Cor. 2:1-5): The success of the gospel doesn't depend on human cleverness but on the power of God.

Gospel: (Matthew 5:13-16): The disciples of Christ are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

REFLECTION

Let your light shine

The most important thing about each other is our capacity for goodness. We can be a source of light. We have hands that can care, eyes that can see, ears that can hear, tongues that can speak, feet that can walk. And above all hearts that can love.

Unfortunately through laziness, selfishness and cowardice our light can be dimmed, or we can become shadows of the people we could be.

Lord help us to believe in our own goodness.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FEBRUARY 2026 - For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

FUNDRAISING PUB QUIZ - MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY at 8pm in aid of the

schools run by St Patrick's Missionary Society (Kiltegan Fathers)

in Riwoto, South Sudan. **Table of 4 €40**

Contact Fran Leahy 0879473333 for further details.

Children's Liturgy Group - Day Chapel activities will take a break until 1st

Sunday of Lent, 22nd February 2026. New volunteers welcome! All volunteers are Garda vetted and training will be provided. Leave your details with the parish office/sacristan, or contact Claire 0879886722

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Saturday,

25th April. A bus will be going from our parish partnership of Castleknock, Laurel Lodge and Porterstown. Further details soon.

Christian Meditation Prayer Group: Starting on **Thursday 5th February** in St. Thomas the Apostle day Chapel at 10.30am to 11.10am.

'Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Holy Week' is a series of four short Lenten talks by Dr. Brant Pitre in which he connects the events of Holy Week with the Old Testament persons and events that prefigure and foreshadow them. It starts **Monday 16th February** St. Mochta's Parish Centre (two days before Ash Wednesday). See posters for details.



The St. Vincent de Paul Society's monthly collection takes place after all Masses this weekend.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 6.30pm Margaret Fallon (anniversary)
Brigid O'Flaherty (64th anniversary) and
Ritchie Gallagher (25th anniversary)
Ken Murphy and his granddaughter Baby Mia

SUNDAY: 9.30am Eugene Kettle (anniversary)

SUNDAY: 11.30am Catherine McCague (7th anniversary)
Eileen Kinsella (22nd anniversary)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS - Oliver Carroll (*recently deceased*)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Jim and Marie Annesley, Vincent Smith, Mollie Lyons, Eithna McCafferty,
Mary and Frederick Hynes, James Whelan Blake, John Baker

