

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

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Saturday/Sunday 19th / 20th SEPTEMBER 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]

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2026

Workers in the vineyard- often we are small and petty in the way we think and act.

Fortunately, there is nothing small or petty about God.

God's ways are more generous than ours.

First Reading: (Isaiah 55:6-9) Here the prophet encourages the evildoers to abandon their evil ways. **Second Reading:** (Philippians 1:20-24.27): These lines were written by Paul in prison where his future was uncertain.

Gospel: (Matthew 20:1-16) The Pharisees were critical of Jesus in the way he befriended outcasts and sinners.

REFLECTION

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so are my ways above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts, says the Lord.

Lord, open our minds and enlarge our hearts so that we can think more like you and act more like you.

Let us not begrudge your goodness to others knowing that we too are undeserving of your favours. And stand more in need of your mercy.

POPE'S INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 2026 - For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Crosscare Annual Appeal - HOPE & RESILIENCE

This weekend, we welcome the Crosscare Annual Appeal to our parish. Crosscare is the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, supporting people experiencing homelessness, families facing hardship, young people, older people, migrants and refugees, and many others in our communities. Crosscare provides accommodation and support to over 600 people experiencing homelessness, helps more than 14,000 people through its Homeless Prevention and Advocacy Service, and engages with 2,400 young people through youth services and community-based projects. Your generosity helps bring hope and strengthen resilience for people facing difficult circumstances. Thank you for supporting this year's Crosscare Annual Appeal. Donations can also be made online at www.crosscare.ie

CASTLEKNOCK LIONS CLUB are having a collection after all Masses next weekend 26th/27th September. Cards accepted.

THE LEGION OF MARY Members will be outside after all Masses this weekend to give information on joining the organisation. Thank you

GRAVEYARD SERVICES 2026 St. Mary's Clonsilla on Sunday 27th September, St. Brigid's Castleknock on Sunday 8th November – both are at 3.00pm.

TEEN HOPE - TEEN HOPE is a faith outreach to young teenagers (1st and 2nd year post-primary level) operating in the Dublin 15 area. Sessions are held on a monthly basis in the Pastoral Centre attached to St. Brigid's Church, Blanchardstown. First session for 2026/27 on Friday 25th September 2026 7-8.30pm. Typical sessions consist of pizza, games, thought provoking videos and discussion. The team delivering the programme have been trained by the Diocese and are fully vetted. For further information, contact office@blanchardstownparish.ie

ST. MOCHTA'S PARISH GOLF CLASSIC LUTTRELLSTOWN CASTLE RESORT

FRIDAY 2nd October 2026. For further enquiries contact:

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CHRISTIAN MEDITATION ON THURSDAYS AFTER 10AM MASS IN LAUREL LODGE

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION - €2,950.64 was collected last weekend.

Thank you to all who contributed.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 6.30pm Maureen Gallagher 6th anniv. & Tony O'Flaherty 5th anniv.

SUNDAY: 9.30am Colm O'Callaghan (recently deceased)
Hannah Eves (recently deceased)

SUNDAY: 11.30am Rose Kenna (3rd anniversary)
Patrick Hickey (1st anniversary)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those recently deceased

John Meleady whose funeral took place during the week

Also, Deirdre Garland, Mary O'Brien

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Sheila Fitzpatrick, Mary Bergin, Hughie & Molly McDonald