

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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CHURCH SERVICES BEGINNING SUNDAY 06th August

Parish Church	Sunday Morning Mass	11.00am
	Monday Mass	10.00am
	Wednesday, Friday Mass	09.30am
	Wednesday Lectio Divina in Mercy Chapel	10.00am
	Saturday evening Vigil Mass	07.00pm
St. Columba's Hospital	Sunday morning Mass	09.30am
	Tuesday & Thursday Mass	10.00am
Mong	Saturday 12 th August Mass	05.45pm
Confessions	After 7pm Mass when requested.	

Mass times in Chapel Hill & Mong for the coming weeks.

Mass in Chapel Hill 05th August, 19th, August at 5.45pm
Mass in Mong 12th August, 26th August at 5.45pm.

Deaths/Anniversaries: **Catherine & Edward Cottrell**, Brownsbarn (7pm Mass Sat.); **Paddy Grace**, Grennan; **John & Ellen Wemyss**, Rathduff; **Thomas & Patrick Cassin**, Coolroemore.

Mass Intentions next weekend: **Annie Lennon**, Legan (5.45pm Mass Sat.); **Annie & Bobbie Power**, Grennan View (7pm Mass Sat.); **Catherine Burke**, 6, Castle Avenue (9.30pm Mass Sun.); **Paul Stapleton**, Legan (11am Mass Sun). *May they rest in peace.*

Baptisms: Baptisms are held on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month and on the 2nd Sunday of each month after 11am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office Tel 056 7793191 or email: thomastown@ossory.ie.

Ministers of the Eucharist for August: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister.

07.00pm	Catherine Walsh	Benny Anthony	Kathleen Gaffney
11.00am	Tom Walsh	Marian Fennelly	Majella Morrissey

Ministers of the Word for August: Unable to attend, please exchange with another Minister.

07.00pm	09.30am	11.00am
Nellie Doherty	Bernie Egan	Noirin Fitzgerald
Alicia Dunphy	Pat Cronin	Mary Doyle

The Photographic Display to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of our present Church of the Assumption in Thomastown is now with the printers, Signiatec of Ballyhale and will hopefully be on view in the rear of the Chapel early in August. Our thanks to all who donated photos for this, to Signiatec for their help and advice, to Joe Doyle for all his help with photos and a special word of gratitude to John Dunphy without whose many hours of help, this project would not have come to fruition. The display will remain on view for a lengthy period.

SOS Church Gate Collection next weekend 12th /13th August.

Golf Classic: to be held at Gowran Park on Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd September. This Classic will raise funds for the refurbishment of the former CYMS building so that it can become a Pastoral Centre for the Parish. Teams of four, €200 per team. Great prizes, meal and goody bag, To book a tee time, contact Fionnula on 087 7799848

St Mary's National School Parents' Association and Grennan College Parents' Council have jointly organised for David Coleman, renowned psychologist, to talk on 'Communicating Effectively with Children and Teenagers' on 28th September 2017 in GC Leisure Gym at 7.30pm. Tickets are on sale now for €10 from Healy's Pharmacy, Market Street, Thomastown.

Knock Shrine - National Novena 2017 Join us for nine days of reflection and prayer for the National Novena to Our Lady of Knock from the 14th-22nd August. Ceremonies will take place daily at 3pm and 8.30pm with daily guest speakers and workshops to enrich and enliven your faith. On **Monday 21st August** we will celebrate the launch of the World Meeting of Families 2018 Programme. See the full programme and schedule of speakers at www.knockshrine.ie/novena2017

The Priory Institute Online Theology Course. Join a supportive student community and study theology by distance learning this Autumn. Application deadline is 26th September. Enquiries Tel. 01 4048124 email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com web www.prioryinstitute.com

Thomastown Library News for this week: As part of Heritage Week Events, Thomastown Library will host a Butterfly Making Workshop for children ages 8+. This will take place on Tuesday 22nd August from 11 to 12.30pm. Booking essential, contact us on 056 7794331 thomastown@kilkennylibrary.ie.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival takes place at the Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 17th to Sunday 20th August. This is for young people aged 16-35, an opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people, with over 1400 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses will travel from all round Ireland. For more information and to book online, see www.youth2000.ie or tel 01 6753690.

This September Home Instead Senior Care is running a **Free Dementia Workshop** in the **Woodford Dolmen Hotel Carlow on Tuesday 5th September 2017 from 7 – 9pm**. This **FREE** educational workshop helps Family Carers and those concerned about DEMENTIA how to provide individualised relationship based care that helps maintain a safe and calm environment for the person with dementia, encourages engagement, helps minimise symptoms, honours who the person was in earlier life and supports the entire family. To book your place or register for future dates call Deirdre 056-7800508 on or www.homeinstead.ie – All are Welcome

All Church personnel have a responsibility to safeguard children through promoting their welfare, health and development in a safe and caring environment that supports their best interests and prevents abuse. The New Revised Safeguarding Children Policy & standards for the Catholic Church in Ireland 2016 is now available at www.safeguarding.ie

If you are concerned about the welfare and safety of children contact:

Tusla – Child and Family Agency: Kilkenny area: tel 059 9136570

Garda National Protective Services Bureau 01 666 3430 / 01 666 3435

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person – Ms Geraldine Butler: 087 100 0232

Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313 316 www.towardshealing.ie