

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

17th June 2018

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CHURCH SERVICES BEGINNING SUNDAY 17th June

Parish Church	Sunday morning Funeral Mass	11.00am
	Sunday Funeral Mass	02.00pm
	Monday, Wednesday & Friday Mass	09.30am
	Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel	10.00am
	Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel	07/08pm
	Wednesday morning Lectio Divina	10.00am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	07.00pm
St. Columba's Hospital	Sunday Morning Mass	09.30am
	Tuesday & Thursday Mass	10.00am
Confessions	After 7pm Mass when requested.	

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

Mass in Chapel Hill	16 th June at 5.45pm & 30 th June at 5.45pm
Mass in Mong	23 rd June at 5.45pm & 14 th July at 5.45pm

Deaths/Anniversaries: **Maura Murray**, Jerpoint Church & **Angela O'Reilly**, Kilkenny Road recently deceased. **Esther & Jack Woods (7pm Mass)**; **Shivaun Kavanagh**, Berkley Lawn (7pm Mass); **Nicholas White**, Knocknaboola (7pm Mass), **Patrick & Mary Thorpe** (09.30am Mass); **James & Chrissie O'Brien**, The Mall; **Ann O'Brien**, Grennan, **Nicholas Walsh**, Jerpoint Abbey, **Mary Ryan**, Kiltane; **John Fennelly**, Boher; **Mary Kate, Johnny, Ben & Patrick Doolan**, Newtown. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: **Ned Dack**, 26, Castle Avenue (Months Mind Mass 7pm); **Patrick (Paddy) Ryan**, Legan (7pm Mass); **Jacob Lannon-Coone** (11am Mass)

The Sacrament of Confirmation: The following presented themselves for the Sacrament which was conferred this Saturday morning at the 11am Mass.

Luke Bambrick, Dylan Barron, Catherine Barry, Holly Begley, Lily Brennan, Aoife Brett, Darren Butler, Laura Cairns, Marianne Callery, Alex Cass, A. J. Challoner, Rory Connelan, Ashton Conway, Nicole Cranley, Stephanie Doyle, Cian Farrell, Tadhg Flynn, Niamh Galway, David Holden, Carrie Jackman, Katie Kavanagh, Frank Kavanagh, Orin Keane, Jack Kiely, Orláith Kirwan, David Kirwan, Karolina Klejna, Kian McCaul, Evana-Rose Minogue, Cormac Moore, Aoibhinn Morrissey, Katie Nolan, Jacob O'Brien Kennedy, Sadhbh O'Neill, Óisín O'Reilly, Karolina Popielarska, Tadhg Ryan, Chloe Scanlon, Aaron Walshe, Michael Walshe Hogan, Guy Watts, Evan Wilson.

Camphill Jerpoint Open Day: Join us for the Annual Fair from 1pm to 5pm this Sunday. Food & Craft Stalls, Plants for sale, Children's activities, Teas, Coffee and Cakes. Raffle Pinata, Live Music Face Painting. Win a signed Kilkenny Jersey and lots more. Admission Free.

Irish Blood Transfusion Clinic will attend Abbey Hall, Graiguenamanagh Thursday 21st June from 5pm/8.30pm

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society will join with Parish Adoration on Monday 18th to pray for Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life ending with Rosary at 8pm. All welcome, please join us.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society sincerely thanks everyone who contributed to our recent collection for the education of Irish & Foreign Students for Priesthood. A total of €661 was raised. **St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Annual Pilgrimage** to Knock takes place on Saturday June 23rd. Bus leaving Market St. at 7.30am. Places still available. Please contact Marian on 086-0693510 to secure your seat. Poster at the back of the Church.

Irish Wheelchair Association Church Gate Collection this weekend. Your support would be gratefully appreciated.

World Meeting of Families Collection next weekend 23rd/24th June.

World Meeting of Families: to attend all or part of the events, register now for the Pastoral Congress on www.worldmeeting2018.ie. Wednesday 22nd August is a day designated for Leinster, and Inistioige and Thomastown will share a bus for those wishing to travel that day. Please contact the Parish Office to book a place on the bus. Places for the Congress are limited, tickets will be scarce for the Festival of Families and the Final Mass which will be led by Pope Francis. Teachings, in preparation for the World meeting can be got on www.worldmeeting2018.

40 Days of Reparation for Life & Faith commenced May 30th and will finish in Knock on July 08th. For further information and details see the Poster at the back of the Church.

Crochet class starting next Tuesday, June 19th at 10.30am - 12 Noon, at the Community Centre.

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 – Mr. Cathal Cullen: 087 100 0232. Email: dlp@ossory.ie

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

Amoris Laetitia, The Joy of Love. Pope Francis says: 'We cannot encourage a path of fidelity and mutual self-giving without encouraging the growth, strengthening and deepening of conjugal and family love. The word love is commonly used and often misused'. Pope Francis then reflects on love, based on 1Corinthians 13:4-7. **Love is patient** refers to the 'quality of one who does not act on impulse and avoids giving offence. Being patient does not mean letting ourselves be constantly mistreated, tolerating physical aggression or allowing other people to use us. We encounter problems whenever we think that relationships or people ought to be perfect, or when we put ourselves at the centre and expect things to turn out our way. Patience takes root when I recognise that other people also have a right to live in this world, just as they are. It does not matter if they hold me back, if they unsettle my plans, or annoy me by the way they act or think, or if they are not everything I want them to be. Love always has an aspect of deep compassion that leads to accepting the other person as part of this world, even when he or she acts differently than I would like'. (Section 89-93) Are you patient?