

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

03rd November 2019

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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 03rd November

Parish Church	Sunday morning Mass	11.00am
	Monday, Wednesday & Friday Mass	09.30am
	Adoration in Mercy Chapel	10.00am
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	Wednesday Lectio Divina in Mercy Chapel	10.00am
St. Columba's Hospital	Sunday Morning Mass	09.30am
	Tuesday & Thursday Mass	10.00am

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

Mass in Chapel Hill	02 nd November at 5.30pm & 16 th November 5.30pm
Mass in Mong	09 th November at 5.30pm & 23 rd November 5.30pm

Deaths/Anniversaries: John & Mario Sherlock, Brownsbarn (9.30am Mass); Mr M O Kurian & Theresa Joseph (9.30 Mass Friday); Rita Teesdale, Mallfield; Margaret & Martin Farrell, Jerpoint Hill; Michael Manning, Dublin & Kilmurry (Memorial Mass 11am Saturday). May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: Liam Burke, Castle Avenue (Months Mind Mass 7pm); Alice O'Keeffe, Smithstown (9.30am Mass); Josie Beck, 28, Dangan Terrace (Months Mind Mass 11am); Bessie Delaney, Pipe Street (11am Mass). May they rest in peace.

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

07.00pm	Mary McComb	Anne Lee	Catherine Walsh
11.00am	Carmel Coone	Alice Challoner	KC Babu

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

07.00pm	09.30am	11.00am
Danny McPherson	Mary Lannon	Chrissie Keating
Siobhan Collier	Maureen Sherlock	Vonnie Walsh

Do This in Memory Programme with the children for First Communion this Sunday at 11am Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Tuesday night in St. Columba's chapel from 8.00 to 9.00pm. Everyone welcome.

A chaplet to pray for the Holy Souls during November

Begin with the Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

On the five large beads: O Holy Souls draw the fire of God's love into my Soul to reveal Jesus crucified in me here on earth rather than here afterwards in Purgatory.

On the ten small beads: Crucified Lord Jesus have mercy on the Souls in Purgatory.

Conclude with: Three 'Glory be to The Father'.

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

Please return **November Offerings** – towards the income of the priest - one of these days!

Family Carers Ireland: support group meeting for Relatives of a Loved One with a Mental Health Issues on Wednesday, 6th November at 7pm in our Resource Centre in the Springhill Clinic, Waterford Road, Kilkenny. **Guided Sound Meditation session** on Wednesday, 6th November at 10.30am at the Resource Centre. The session costs €5 per person. Please contact the office on 056 7721424 to book, as there are only a couple of places remaining.

St. Mary's National School is running a clothing collection to raise fund for the school extension. This can include adult and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts and bags. Please leave any clothes to the school up to Tuesday, 5th November. Thank you for your support.

Our Intermediate hurling team got where every other hurling team would want to be last Sunday. Throughout the year they showed skill, dedication, graciousness in victory, and last weekend graciousness in defeat. Thank you all, team and management. Do the same again next year and learn from Tullaroan ... ' if at first you don't succeed, try again'.

GAA playing grounds in Grennan The Club plans to install 200 seats in the stand, with the opportunity to sponsor a seat, each with a name plate attached with the sponsor's details. Each seat is €50 and can be purchased from the following committee members listed: Chairperson: Ger Walsh – 086 8220317, Secretary: Mick Walsh – 087 6257602, Treasurer: Pat Walsh – 087 9848316, Juvenile Chairperson: Michael Collins – 087 2404441

St. Colmcille's Pastoral Area - comprising Thomastown and Inistioge.

So, both parishes will have the new Mass schedule beginning 1st Sunday of Advent 2019, that is 30th November, as follows: **Saturday Vigil Masses will be in Thomastown at 6pm, and in The Rower at 7.30pm. On Sunday Mass will be in Thomastown at 10am and in Inistioge at 11.30am. While there are two priests in the Area and both are available for Masses, there will be Mass in Clodiagh at 9.30am on Sunday, and at St. Columba's Hospital at 11.30am on the first, third and fifth Sundays of each month, in Chapel Hill on the second Sunday of each month and in Mong on the fourth Sunday of each Month.** All parishioners will join in the Parish Church for Holy Week, Easter Sunday and Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. It was decided too that from Advent Funeral Masses won't be held in the Area on Sundays. Please God we will all approach and embrace this new time with openness, courage and hope.

Accord Kilkenny are running a pre-marriage course on the 29th/30th November 2019 at Seville Lodge, Callan Road, Kilkenny. Time of the course is Friday 29th from 7.30pm to 10.00pm and on Saturday from 10.00am to 5.30pm. Please book on the web site www.accord.ie and go to the Kilkenny section.

Taizé Youth Programme 2020: A youth trip to Taizé in France organised by Ossory Youth will take place from Sunday 28th June to Sunday 5th July 2020. A week in the Taize Community is an opportunity for reflection and contemplation. But bringing people together is also the essence of Taize and it is a week of meeting young people from different countries and cultures where new friendships are made. 30 young people from Kilkenny, made the trip to Taizé this year. The programme, which runs from December 2019 to July 2020 is open to Transition year, 5th year and Leaving Cert students. Closing date is Friday 22nd November. For additional information, including cost, and application forms, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.com

SAFEGUARDING

*If you have a safeguarding concern contact the
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