

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 29th September

Parish Church	Sunday morning Mass	11.00am
	Monday, Wednesday & Friday Mass	09.30am
	Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel	10.00am
	Monday Adoration in Mercy Chapel	07/08pm
	Saturday Vigil Mass	07.00pm
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 05th October at 5.30pm & 19th October at 5.30pm

Mass in Mong 28th September at 5.30pm & 12th October at 5.30pm

Deaths/Anniversaries: **Micheál Bookle**, Newtown formerly Brownsbarn recently deceased. **Marian Lennon**, Legan (5.30pm Mass); **Michael Kavanagh**, Jerpoint Church (Month Mind Mass 7pm); **Joan Kavanagh**, Jerpoint Church (7pm Mass); **Brian Burke**, Ladywell (7pm Mass); **Nancy Carroll**, Ladywell (11am Mass); **Dorothy Teesdale**, Belmore (10am Mass Tuesday); **Barron Family**, Wexford (9.30am Mass Wednesday); **Teresa Sheehan**, Noreview Crescent. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions Next Weekend: **Kathleen Finan**, Kilmurry (7pm Mass); **Johnny Byrne**, 12, Newtown Terrace (7pm Mass); **Michael Dunne**, 25, Castle Avenue (11am Mass).

Do This In Memory: This weekend we begin our Parish preparation with the girls and boys who will receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist next year with Enrolment ceremony at the 11am Mass. Please God as a parish we can be of support to the children and their families in what is a significant year for them.

First Friday: Next Friday is the first Friday of the month, so Fr. Dan and Sister Anna will bring Holy Communion to the homebound. If you would like to receive Communion in your home, please contact us. If we call regularly and you plan to be away, please let us know. If someone is in hospital or ill at home and would like if Fr. Dan were to call, please let him know. With Data protection in place, he is not able to access lists of patients so sometimes calls to the Hospital but misses parishioners because he is not aware that they are there.

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

07.00pm	Mary Butler	Nollaig Forristal	Sheila Swain
11.00am	Marion Fennelly	K C Babu	Carmel Coone

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

07.00pm	09.30am	11.00am
Michael Piert	Joe Dunphy	Tom Brett
Aleena Benny	Margaret Freyne	Alice Challoner

Cead Mile Failte: Welcome to Orlaith Siun Stapleton, The Belfry, baptised into the family of God recently.

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

Dates for your 2020 Diary:

First Confession Wednesday 04th March 2020

First Communion Saturday 16th May 2020

Confirmation Sunday 26th April 2020

Cemetery Mass Friday 31st July 2020.

A day in Honour of Our Lady – Families are invited to consecrate themselves to Our Lady on Saturday, 5th October in Knock Shrine at the 3pm Pilgrimage Mass. To book your seat on the subsidised bus from Kilkenny city at 8.15am (€10 charge, booking essential). Please contact Human Life International in Knock on 094 9375993/085-8608835 or email: mail@humanlife.ie

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. There will be a public Rosary in Inistioge Church at 3 o'clock on October 7th 2019, in conjunction with the Rosary on the Coast which will be held throughout Ireland on the 13th October. Visit www.coastalrosaryireland.ie for locations. Please come and join us, all welcome. **There will be a Public Rosary in Inistioge Square** on the 14th October at 3'o'clock in honour of Our Lady of Fatima.

The Seminar in the Spirit continues in the Black Abbey at 7pm every Wednesday until the 23rd of October. Each evening includes Mass and testimonies.

Family Carers Ireland: Our support group for Relatives of a Loved One with Mental Health Issues will be meeting on Wednesday, 2nd October at 7pm in our Resource Centre in the Springhill Clinic, Waterford Road, Kilkenny.

Season of Creation, 1st September – 4th October 2019 Please go to the website of the Irish Catholic Bishops Conference – www.catholicbishops.ie - for information on the Season, and information on where more material can be accessed.

Fundraising Volunteers Needed: Cois Nore Cancer Support Centre wants to provide a quality support to families all across Kilkenny who are affected by cancer. Will you help? If you know anyone who might time to spare to support us in this way at our events planned between now and Christmas, please let them know of our need. Contact Cois Nore at 056 7715001 for further details.

Cois Nore Cancer Support Centre invites you to a Breast Health Talk by Catherine Wallace from Breast Cancer Ireland Wednesday October 2nd from 11.30am until 1pm. Book at 056 – 7752222.

Michael Mog O'Grady CD Launch: Kilkenny musician and singer Michael O'Grady will launch his CD Seed for Every Plough in the Set Theatre on Friday next October 4th. Performing on the night will be Reel to Reel, The Backyard Band (ex Tweed), Pat Ryan, Bobbie Carey, John Travers, Rory Broderick, Willie Maher, Billy Barron and more. MC Pat Holland. Doors open 8.30 First band 9pm. Tickets €10 are available from Langtons. Ticket booking on 0879582127. Proceeds will go to the Society of St. Vincent De Paul Kilkenny.

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.

'The greatest evil in the world today is the lack of love – the terrible indifference towards one's neighbour which is so widespread'. Mother Teresa.