

## THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>

<b>Parish Church</b>	Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Mass	10.00 hours
	Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Mass	11.30 hours
	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Mass with NS scholars	09.20 hours
	Monday Adoration	15.00-17.00 hours
	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Mass	09.20 hours
	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass	09.20 hours
	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Wedding	13.00 hours
	Saturday Baptism	14.00 hours
	Saturday Vigil Mass	18.00 hours

**St. Columba's Hospital** Mass will be held in the Hospital Cemetery Tuesday 11.00 hours

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available after Saturday evening Mass or any other time on request.

Masses celebrated at the Parish Church continue to be available on webcam and 108fm.

**Deaths and anniversaries: Declan Heafey**, Mallfield, who died recently; **Brendan Griffin**, Colmcille (6pm Mass); **John & Ellen McGrath**, (6pm Mass); **Gabrielle Schmidt** (6pm Mass); **Patrick Doolan**, Castle Ave (10am Mass); **Nicholas Walsh**, Jerpoint Abbey; **Mary Ryan**, Kilfane; **Lawrence (Lar) Faherty**, Galway: May they and all our dead rest in peace.

**Anniversaries next weekend: Tom Tyrrell**, Suncroft, Kildare & Thomastown Month's Mind (10am Mass); **Nancy Skehan** (6pm Mass); **Teresa Dunne**, Knocktopher, (6pm Mass). **Sheila Treacy**, Ballinamona (10am Mass).

**Mabs:** South Leinster Money Advice & Budgeting Service Kilkenny MABS 4 The Parade, Kilkenny Tel: 0818 072610 Free, Independent and Confidential Money Advice and Budgeting Service. Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts, Mortgage arrears and helping them to begin to manage their own resources MABS offers free Debt Relief Advice under Personal Insolvency options. Money Management Sessions provided for Transition/Leaving Cert Students & Community Groups.

**The First Friday** Fr. Dan and Sister Anna will bring Communion this week to the people on the 'regular' list. If we haven't been calling to you and you, a family member, or neighbour would like to receive Communion at home, please contact Fr. Dan at 0876644858, or the Office on Tuesday or Friday - 7793191.

**July and August weekend Mass times:** During these two months of holiday the Parish Council has decided that the Masses will be on Saturday at 6pm and on Sunday at 10am. The reasons for the change on Sundays are twofold. We wish to facilitate people who wish to make an early start, and we appreciate that there is something important about God's people coming together, rather than having a small congregation at both Sunday Masses.

### This is the schedule of weekend Masses in our neighbouring Parishes:

Inistioge: 7.30pm Saturday in The Rower, 9.30am in Clodiagh and 11am in Inistioge.  
Tullaherin: 8pm Saturday in Tullaherin and 10.30am in Bennettsbridge.  
Graignamanagh: 7.30pm Saturday and 11am; Skeaghvasteen at 9.30am.  
Ballyhale: 7.30pm Saturday in Ballyhale, 9am in Knockmoylan, 11am in Knocktopher.  
Aghavillar: 6.30pm Saturday in Stoneyard, 8pm Saturday and 10am in Hugginstown.

**The Rally for Life** is back. Saturday July 2nd, at 1.30 pm, Parnell Square, Dublin.

A Dungarvan bus will stop at Paulstown Motorway Station for Kilkenny pickup.

Contact Vicky at 087 6716069. Mass at 12.00 in Dominic Street Friary with Rosary procession to Parnell Square. The Mass at 12.00 noon will be offered by Archbishop Eamon Martin and Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly.

**Safeguarding Concerns** If you have a child safeguarding concern or wish to raise a matter from the past you may contact any of the following:

Diocesan Designated Persons

Ms. Kathleen Sherry 085 8021633

[safeguarding@ossory.ie](mailto:safeguarding@ossory.ie)

Mr. Cathal Cullen 087 100 0232 or

Ms. Rose Brophy 087 331 4330

Garda National Protective Services

01 6663430/35. Civil Authorities: Tusla Child & Family Agency Carlow/Kilkenny area 052 617 7302 Safeguarding Reps. for this Parish are:

Brigid Cassin Begley and Nellie Doherty. Contact them through the Parish Office.

### Promises to keep:

*Whose woods these are I hardly know,*

*His house is in the village though;*

*He will not see me stopping here*

*To watch his woods fill up with snow.*

*My little horse must think it queer*

*To stop without a farmhouse near,*

*Between the woods and frozen lake*

*The darkest evening of the year.*

*He gives his harness bells a shake*

*To ask if there is some mistake;*

*The only other sound is the sweep of easy wind and downy flake.*

*The woods are lovely dark and deep but I have promises to keep;*

*And miles to go before I sleep, and miles to go before I sleep.*

Robert Frost.

### Counselling Services

#### Towards Healing Confidential Helpline

1800 313 316

[www.towardshealing.ie](http://www.towardshealing.ie)

#### Towards Peace Spiritual Support Service

01 505 3028

[www.towardspeace.ie](http://www.towardspeace.ie)