

THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 2nd April

Parish Church	Sunday 2 nd Mass	10.30 am
	Monday 3 rd Mass	09.20 am
	Wednesday 5 th Mass	09.20 am
	Wednesday Adoration	10-11 am
	Holy Thursday Mass	7pm
	Good Friday Liturgy	3pm
	Stations of the Cross	7pm
	Sacrament of Forgiveness	8pm
	Holy Saturday Blessing of Food	11 am
	Holy Saturday Vigil Mass	8pm

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

Masses celebrated at the Parish Church are available on webcam and 108fm.

Parish of Inistioge

Fr. Francis Purcell is the Parish Priest of Inistioge.

Easter Triduum in Inistioge Parish:

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm in The Rower.

Good Friday Ceremonies: 3pm in Inistioge and 7.30pm in The Rower.

Saturday: Easter Vigil at 7.30pm in Inistioge.

Sunday: Easter Mass will be celebrated in The Rower at 12.30pm Sunday.

Deaths and anniversaries: Hannah Lillie Roche, Jerpoint Church (10.30am Mass); **John Prendergast & Fr. Todd Prendergast** (10.30am Mass); **Denis Treacy**, Powerswood; **Martin & Nellie O'Hara**, Ballylinch & Cloghabrody Heights; **Bridget & Martin Murray**, Jerpoint Abbey; **Mary & Pat Hanrahan**, Powerswood; **The Kavanagh Family**, Ballyconway; **Margaret & Thomas Begley**, 9 Newtown Tce; **Jimmy Walsh**, Cappagh; **Johnny Walsh**, Cappagh & UK; **Deceased Members of the O'Leary Family**: May they and all our dead rest in peace.

Anniversary Masses next weekend: Johnny (Riordan) Kelly, Maudlin St, (8pm Mass Saturday 8th)

The Chrism Mass is the occasion when the oils which will be used for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Ordination and the Sacrament of the Sick are blessed. This will take place at St. Mary's Cathedral on Wednesday at 7.30pm. You will be very welcome there.

Trocaire: The response to the recent collection in all parishes of the Diocese for people in Turkey and Syria has been excellent. To-date €118,505 has been collected and sent to Trócaire from the Diocese.

Thomastown Classic Steam and Vintage Club are holding their 12th run on Easter Sunday. Registration at 11 and run starts at 12 noon. The proceeds this year will go towards a defibrillator for Grennan Leisure, which is the new Gym serving the whole community. Tractors, cars, and trucks welcome. Donations can also be given on the day. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Thomastown Ladies Gaelic Football Club will hold a **Cake Sale** on Easter Sunday 9th April after 10.30 Mass.

A Pilgrimage to Knock – Sunday 23rd April 2023, organised by the Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration. A Coach leaves from Woodies Carpark, Kilkenny at 7.00 a.m. Cost: €25.00 Please contact: 086 1666547.

New App to share faith A free app has been launched to encourage Christians to share their faith. The Isaiah 61 Movement - or i61m- was designed by Christians Against Poverty founder John Kirkby CBE and his team.

The Redemptorists in Ireland have also launched a new digital evangelisation platform. 'The Preached Word' is a new mobile phone app hosting a team of 50 preachers, including new voices of Religious, both lay and ordained.

Thomastown Parish WhatsApp group. This is to enable Fr. Dan and the Parish Office to share information of interest directly to a large audience.

To join, you need to be using WhatsApp already. Open the camera on your smartphone and point it at the QR code below. You may need to install a QR Code scanner app if you have an older smartphone. If you're having trouble, you may be able to ask a friend or relative for assistance. Once scanned, you will be brought directly to the WhatsApp group and invited to **Join Group**. Please note that this is a private group. Only admins of the group can post messages, so your phone won't be beeping with the sound of lots of replies. It's just a handy way to keep informed and you can join or leave at any time.

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