

St. Colmcille Pastoral Area
comprising Thomstown and Inistioge
THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER
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THOMASTOWN CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 17th.

Parish Church	Sunday 17 th Mass	10.30 am
	Monday 18 th Mass	10.00 am
	Wednesday 20 th	09.20 am
	Wednesday Adoration	10-11 am
	Friday 22 nd Mass	09.20 am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	06.00 pm.
St. Columba's	Tuesday 19 th Mass	11.00 am
	Thursday 21 st Mass	11.00 am
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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.

Deaths and anniversaries: **Brian (Bun) Doolan**, Dangan (6pm Mass); **Mary Byrne**, Dangan (6pm Mass); **Jim Challoner**, Dangan Tce (6pm Mass); **Elizabeth Dempsey**, who died a month ago; **Patrick & Bridget O'Neill**, Smithstown; **Norah Morrissey**, Coolroemore; **Patrick Lannon**, Station Rd: may they and all our dead rest in peace.

Anniversary Masses next weekend: **Esther Mullins**, Market St: Month's Mind (6pm Mass); **Jack Cahill**, Smithstown & his daughter **Anne Grey** (6pm Mass); **Kathleen (Kit) Behan & May Behan**, Cloghabrody (10.30am Mass).

Do this in Memory; next Sunday we hold our parish Mass for the children preparing for First Communion.

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society holds its monthly collection this weekend. To contact the Society members, call 086 2664669.

Lake Productions present 'Da' by Hugh Leonard at Thomastown Concert Hall. March 21, 22, 23 at 8pm nightly.

Clothes Collection supporting Friends of Calcutta (CHY No. 13218) on Thursday March 21st. All items of wearable clothing, footwear, curtains etc welcome. Sadly we cannot accept duvets, cushions or pillows. Collection ends at 4pm in Church Car Park. All enquiries to Michael Hopkins 087-9073074 who will be delighted to arrange a home collection if requested.

South Kilkenny Historical Society lecture: The Army Mutiny of 1924. The speaker: Mr John Dorney on Friday, 22nd March at 8pm at Mullinavat Hall.

"The Chapter House Bookshop is now Open 5 days a week Monday to Friday from 9:30 am until 5:00 pm. You can find religious gifts, for any occasion including Confirmation and Communion, selection of Parish supplies, and religious books. We have a large variety of Candles, Holy water fonts, Crosses, pictures, and statues of the saints. Also now in stock, a large selection of St. Patrick's Day gifts and Bibles."

CÉAD MÍLE Fáilte Romhat.

Céad míle fáilte romhat, a Íosa, a Íosa, Céad míle fáilte romhat, a Íosa
 Céad míle fáilte romhat a Shlánaítheoir. Céad míle fáilte romhat, a Íosa, a Íosa

Glóir agus moladh duit, a Íosa, a Íosa, Glóir agus moladh duit, a Íosa
 Glóir agus moladh duit, a Shlánaítheoir, Glóir, moladh agus buíochas duit, a Íosa, a Íosa

CHRIST BE BESIDE ME.

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me
 Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
 Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
 Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
 Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
 Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
 Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me
 Christ be in all tongues telling of me.
 Christ be the vision in eyes that see me
 In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

HAIL, GLORIOUS ST. PATRICK,

Hail, glorious St. Patrick, dear saint of our isle,
 On us thy poor children bestow a sweet smile;
 And now thou art high in the mansions above,
 On Erin's green valleys look down in thy love.
*On Erin's green valleys, on Erin's green valleys,
 On Erin's green valleys look down in thy love.*

Ever bless and defend the sweet land of our birth,
 Where the shamrock still blooms as when thou wert on earth,
 And our hearts shall yet burn, wheresoever we roam,
 For God and St. Patrick, and our native home.
*For God and St. Patrick for God and St. Patrick,
 For God and St. Patrick and our native home.*

Ár nAthair ata ar neamh, go naofar d'ainm, go dtaga do ríocht, go ndéantar do thoil ar an dtalamh mar a dhéanfar ar neamh. Ár n-arán laethiúl tabhair dúinn inniú, agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha mar a mhaithmidne dár bhféachachúna fein agus ná lig sinn i gcathú, ach saor sinn ó olc. Amen.

SÉ DO BHEAHA, A MUIRE atá lán de ghrásta, tá an Tiarna leat.

Is beannaithe thú idir mná agus is beannaithe toradh do bhroinne, Íosa.
 A Naomh-Mhuire, a Mháthair Dé,guigh orainn na peacaigh, anois,
 agus ar uair ár mbáis. Amen.