

St. Colmcille Pastoral Area
comprising Thomstown and Inistioge
THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER
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THOMASTOWN CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 07th.

Parish Church	Sunday 07 th Mass	10.30am
	Monday 08 th Mass	09.20am
	Wednesday 10 th Mass	09.20am
	Wednesday Adoration	10-11am
	Friday 12 th Mass	09.20am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	06.00pm.
St. Columba's	Tuesday 09 th Mass	11.00am
Mong	Thursday 11 th Mass	07.30pm

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: **Tommy Beck**, Kilmuckridge & late of Dangan Tce: Month's Mind (10.30am Mass); **Rene Kelly & Michie Kelly**, Kilfane West (6pm Mass); **Johnny (Riordan) Kelly**, Maudlin St (6pm Mass); **Kit Rafferty (nee Stapleton)**, Chapel Lane (6pm Mass); **Neddy, Eileen & John Dempsey**, Chapel Hill (6pm Mass); **Edward Walsh**, Castle Ave (10.30am Mass); **Jim Lannon**, Dangan Tce (10.30am Mass); **Catherine Heffernan**, Achill (7.30pm Mass, Mong on 11th); **Mary Walsh**, Powerswood; **Margaret & Thomas Begley**, 9 Newtown Tce; **Jerry Anderson**, Newtown: may they and all our dead rest in peace.

Anniversary Masses next weekend: **Gerry Minogue**, Newtown Tce (6pm Mass); **John & Martha Darcy**, Waterford (6pm Mass); **Joe Dunphy**, Dangan Tce (10.30am Mass).

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

Trocaire: Let's think of the people of Malawi who suffer from drought. Please bring back the Trocaire boxes to Church, to the Office, or send your contribution directly to Trocaire. Philip Moore from Smithstown is currently in Malawi. Recently arrived there, he writes his first impressions. Read his letter telling us of the situation there on Facebook.

And please don't forget the **Easter Offerings**. This contribution is for the priest of the Parish. Fr. Dan is very appreciative of your support. If you haven't received envelopes, please contact the Office. Otherwise, put your offering in an ordinary envelope with your name.

Shrugavadda Players from Kilmacow present **By The Bog Of Cats**. Written by Marina Carr, on Wed 10th and Thurs 11th April at 8pm. Tickets €12 nightly on the door.

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday April 14th: Bus leaving Woodies Car Park at 6.45am sharp. Cost €30. To book a place please contact Maryanne on 086-1666547.

All the Baptised since January.....Daithi Cillian Farrell; Caoimhe Niamh Prendergast; Odhran Pádraig Kavanagh; Charlie Joseph Butler; Noah Billy Kelly; Oliver Denis Edwards.

Schedule for the next few weeks:

Thursday 18th April, 11am..... Sacrament of Confirmation.

Saturday 11th May, 11am First Communion.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 12th May 2024. €849.00 pps. Price includes return Bus/Train, 5 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 094 900 6426 or 087 1890236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

GOD BIDS US WELCOME TO....

*God bids us welcome to his house and he invites us to his feast.
Day of great joy and happiness. Alleluia!*

Great was my joy when I was told Let us go forth to God's abode that's in the city of the Lord.

Christ is the sun which brings the dawn. He is the light of all the world, setting us free from death and sin.

Christ is alive with joy we sing We celebrate our Risen Lord Praising the glory of his name.

A NEW HYMN OF PRAISE

A new hymn of praise Let us sing to the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. R

This is the day the Lord has made, Ransom for sin his life he gave.(R)

Bringing him gifts of bread and wine, We receive back, his life divine.(R)

So live within us, make us one, Stay with us, Lord, till life is done (R)

Sing Alleluia

Sing, sing, sing alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made.

Dance, dance, dance alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad, This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad, This is the day!

Play music to honour God's name. this is the day the Lord has made.

Sing psalms and songs of praise: this is the day.

Let all creation sing and shout for joy this holy Day.

Let all creation sing and shout for joy, This is the day!