

**St. Colmcille Pastoral Area**  
comprising Thomstown and Inistioge  
**THOMASTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
**03<sup>rd</sup> November 2024**

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**THOMASTOWN CHURCH SERVICES beginning Sunday 03<sup>rd</sup>**

<b>Parish Church</b>	Sunday 03 <sup>rd</sup> Mass	10.30am
	Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> Mass	09.20am
	Wednesday 06 <sup>th</sup> Mass	09.20am
	Wednesday Adoration	10-11am
	Friday 08 <sup>th</sup> Mass	09.20am
	Saturday Vigil Mass	06.00pm
<b>St. Columba's</b>	Tuesday 05 <sup>th</sup> Mass	11.00am

**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: Val Walsh**, Mill St & England recently deceased; **Martin Roche**, Grennan (10.30am Mass); **Martin & Margaret Farrell**, Jerpont Hill (10.30am Mass); **William Grace & Patrick Grace**, Grennan (10.30am Mass); **Rita Teesdale**, Jerpont Church; **Deceased Members of the Heafey Family**; **Alice & William Mackey**, Logan St; **Thomas F. Kelly**, Market St: may they and all our dead rest in peace.

**Anniversary Masses next weekend: Tom Dack**, Cloghabrody (10.30am Mass); **Hannah Dunne**, Cherrymount (10.30am Mass); **Bessie Delaney**, Pipe St !0.30am Mass).

**Thomastown Parish Pastoral Council** will meet on Tuesday at 7.30pm.

**The Saint Vincent de Paul Society** will hold its monthly collection next weekend. To contact the Society members, call 087 4830988.

**All Saints and all Souls:** We remember prayerfully during November all who have gone before us. Bring to Church a photograph of those who died since last November. We have our Book of the Names of the Dead. Include the names of your loved ones there. Fr. Dan offers nine Masses for the dead during the month. Do call to the Cemeteries during November and pray for the Dead. Don't forget the November Offerings – one of the collections which provide income for the priests in their parishes. If you haven't an envelope, please use an ordinary envelope and write on it your name and address. We will provide a set of envelopes for you next year.



Thanks to Willie Dempsey for the photograph!!

#### **CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT**

Longing for light, we wait in darkness, Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today!*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.

#### **I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE**

I am the bread of life, you who come to me shall not hunger;  
You who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

#### **Chorus:**

*And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up, And I will raise you up, on the last day.*

The bread that I will give, is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread, you shall live for ever. You shall live for ever.

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.

I am the Resurrection; I am the life.

If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live for ever.

Yes Lord, I believe that you are the Christ,  
The Son of God, who has come, into the world.