



WHITEFRIAR STREET CHURCH
*The Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
& Shrine of Saint Valentine, Dublin 2*

January 24, 2021
The Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS

*Under Government
restrictions*

Private Prayer

Monday to Saturday:

11.00am to 2.30pm.

Sunday:

11.30am to 3.15pm

Masses

*Mass will be available
live through our website:*

Monday to Saturday:

8.00am, 10.00am,

3.00pm

Sunday:

8.00am, 10.30am,

4.00pm

*Names can be enrolled
for Mass and will be
remembered and prayed
for on the day requested.*

St Jude Novena

*This continues to be
celebrated on Tuesdays at
8.00pm and will be
livestreamed in our
website. The blessing
with the Relics of St Jude
and of St Thérèse of
Lisieux will take place.*

Confessions

Monday to Saturday:

11.00am to 12.00pm

Baptisms & Weddings

*Please contact the parish
office if you have a
baptism or wedding
booked at this time.*


*Join us for liturgy
through our webcam*



The first reading and gospel passage for this weekend are again about call and response. The first reading tells of the prophet Jonah going to Nineveh where his preaching had a tremendous effect and the people gave up their sinful ways and returned to the Lord. This was the second time God had called Jonah and the first time he responded properly – the first time he was somewhat afraid of failure and somewhat too embarrassed to go and preach, and yet his success was fantastic because he had God on his side.

In the gospel, we see Jesus begin his public ministry with the words *'The time has come and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News'*. Last week, in the passage from St John, we read of Andrew moving from being a disciple of John the Baptist to being a disciple of Jesus, and introducing his brother Peter to the Messiah. This weekend we see Jesus calling them and their companions, James and John, to be his followers, to move from being people who listened and liked what he said to being people who worked with him and participated in his mission. The key thing to note is their response to the Lord: they left behind their occupations and followed him even though they didn't know where that would take them; they left behind their way of life to take on a new way of life, one charted out for them by their commitment to the Lord.

By virtue of our baptism, we are each called to serve the Lord as did the people of Nineveh and the first disciples. As baptised believers we are called to make the move from simply liking and admiring some of the message of Jesus Christ to being people who are committed to the full message of the Gospel and allowing that message to influence everything we do in life, allowing that message to be active in our lives and deepening our relationship with Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour.

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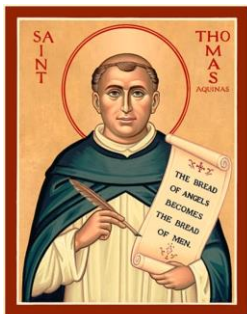
THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 24: Ordinary Time – Sunday 3
Monday 25: Conversion of St Paul
Tuesday 26: Saints Timothy & Titus
Wednesday 27: Ordinary Time – Week 3
Thursday 28: St Thomas Aquinas
Friday 29: Ordinary Time – Week 3
Saturday 30: Ordinary Time – Week 3

A SAINT OR TWO THIS WEEK...

ST THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Thomas was born in 1225 and was educated by the Benedictine monks of Monte Cassino on the western coast of Italy between Rome and Naples, before joining the Dominican Order (the Order of Preachers) in 1244, and continuing his studies in Paris, France, and Cologne, Germany. He spent his life teaching and writing in France and Italy and his two major works – the 'Summa Contra Gentiles' and the 'Summa Theologica' – are still studied today for the significance and depth of their theology and philosophy. He died at the age of 49 while on his way to the second Oecumenical Council of Lyons in 1274. He is the patron saint of universities and schools.



MASS OFFICE, CHURCH SHOP & GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Monday to Saturday: 9.30am – 3.00pm
Items can be ordered by phone or through our online shop and they will be sent out by post.
Shop and all other enquiries: ☎ 01 475 8821
Email: shop@whitefriarstrectchurch.ie
Web: <https://shop.whitefriarstrectchurch.com/>

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Members meet each Monday evening to consider requests. For those living within our parish, requests can be made by text to 085 789 8699. For those outside the parish, please ring 01 855 0022.

REMAINING VIGILANT

While Covid-19 is a significant threat, we strongly recommend and ask all those visiting our church to adhere to the following:

- **Wear a face mask at all times** while in the building no matter how many others are there.
- Wear a face mask when in the confessional.
- Sanitise your hands when entering the building.
- Keep a safe distance from others when seated and avoid crowding, particularly when lighting candles and visiting the Crib.
- Follow the instructions of our staff in the church and shop.

People may bring a clean bottle of tap water to church and it can be blessed by a priest, or they can buy a bottle in the Church Shop and we will fill it for them (there is no charge for the holy water).

LOOKING OUT FOR OTHERS

In these difficult days of restrictions, when we are not able to visit family and friends, it is more important than ever to reach out to others and to make sure that they are okay and are not completely isolated and alone. We encourage everyone to pick up the phone and call friends and family and have a chat, however brief.

Give me, if you will, prayers;
Or let me know dryness,
An abundance of devotion,
Or if not, then barrenness.
In you alone,
Sovereign Majesty,
I find my peace,
What do you want of me?
Yours I am, for you I was born:
What do you want of me?

*St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila),
Carmelite Nun, Doctor of the Church
1515 – 1582*

PARISH OFFICE

For certificates of Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage, or to book a baptism or a wedding.

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