# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# 16th August 2020





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> <u>Mass Times</u> <u>Edenderry</u>

Daily Mass 11am (No 11am Mass on day of funeral)

> *Saturday* 7p.m.

*Sunday* 10a.m. & 11:30am

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## Is God's Salvation for Us All?

Just when we thought that Jesus' love was all embracing and all compassionate, he shocks us by behaving in a way that can only be described as harsh and unfeeling. In today's gospel Jesus is approached by a Canaanite woman, who pesters him to cure her daughter. 'Canaanite' was the name given to the older inhabitants of Israel who were dispossessed as unclean by Jesus' own people. Jesus would not have been expected to fraternise with such a woman. True to expectation, Jesus does



not respond to the woman, explaining that he has been sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel ... this woman is therefore not his problem! Could Jesus really have held this harsh opinion, or was he testing his disciples? The Canaanite woman continues to pester. She has great faith that Jesus will eventually give in and cure her daughter. Again Jesus responds harshly. "It is not right to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs..." In other words, only Jews had a right to be treated as 'children of God'. The Gentiles on the other hand are likened to 'dogs'. This opinion seems even less like the Jesus we know! Much more likely is the notion that Jesus is stretching his disciples' understanding of God's boundaries, or rather, lack of. When we first read the Bible we get the feeling that God is simply there for the 'Children of Israel' or the Hebrew Nation, but the truth is that God does not limit his promises to just certain categories of people. The story finishes with Jesus rewarding the woman's faith with a cure. At first it might appear that Jesus is giving in to 'pester power', though it is much more likely that Jesus had decided from the very outset that he would help this woman. In awarding a cure, Jesus is showing his disciples and us, that faith has the power to melt boundaries and prejudice. Even today we probably imagine God's salvation is for a select few, but today's story teaches us that salvation is there for anyone and everyone who places their trust in God.

### LOVING AND HEALING GOD.

We, the people of Kildare and Leighlin turn to you in prayer, confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment.

We stand before you as people of hope,

trusting in your care and protection. May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts. Generous God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus

and be with their families. Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities.

Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance

that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people.

We pray in gratitude for all those in our country

who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all. Bless them and keep them safe. O God of creation and life,

We place ourselves in your protection. May the mantle of your peace enfold us this day and tomorrow. St Brigid, pray for us.

St Conleth, pray for us. St Lazerian, pray for us.

May all the saints of God, pray for us.

# **Community Notices**

# <u>Baptisms...</u>

Bookings for baptisms can be arranged through the Parish Office. All details can be obtained from the Parish Office 046 9733311

# Mass Times Via Webcam

Mon-Fri @ 11am Saturday's 7pm Sunday Mass @ 11:30am

# Wanted Childcare Assistant...

With Level 5 or equivalent to work 15-20 hours a week in busy Afterschool service (afternoon's only). Contact 0868618221 to arrange interview.



The only person you are destined to be.

## Notice.....

Due to the recently announced restrictions on Friday 7th Aug, the Parish Office will close on Monday 10th Aug and will

re-open on Mon 24th Aug.

If you have any queries please phone Stephanie @ 086 3954046 or Mary @ 085 1434132

# PARISH LOTTO DRAW RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON Wednesday 12th Aug 2020

# NUMBERS DRAWN



No Jackpot Winner 34 Matched 3's won €30 each

# **4 local Winners**

Johnny Crosbie Sean Donogue Alo Cullen Anne Hanley Next Week's Jackpot €20,000

The annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival is Ireland's largest Catholic Youth event, but this year, for the first time, it will be streamed live on the 14th-16th of August. Hear talks and workshops from some of the best Catholic speakers including Fr. John Harris OP, Dr. Scott Hahn, John Pridmore, Petroc Willey (University of Steubenville), Katie Ascough, Sr. Colleen Mattingly, Sr. Mary Hanrahan, Bill Keimig (University of Steubenville), Beth Davis (Blessed is She) and others from Ireland and around the world. Youth 2000 Ireland 's motto is 'Youth leading Youth to the Heart of the Church' and we do this by leading Eucharisticcentred festivals, retreats and prayer meetings throughout the country.

Register FREE at www.youth2000.ie/summerfestival2020

# <u>Failte</u>

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Kiyah Mai Browne McBride

# MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Saturday 7pm via Webcam:** Freddie Kane, Months mind Mass; William, Brigid & John Pender; John & Mary Connolly; Michael & Patricia Hynes

Sunday 11:30am via Webcam: Joe Murphy; Patrick & John Clarke

Monday 11am: via Webcam: Tuesday 11am: via Webcam: Wednesday 11am: via Webcam: Thursday 11am: via Webcam: Friday 11am: Mass Card Intentions via Webcam:

Saturday 7pm Rita Tyrrell, Months mind Mass; Sheila Lloyd Sunday 10am: Sunday 11:30am via Webcam: Monica Foran, 1st Anniversary



We Pray for the following whose Anniversary occurs around this time.

Bridget Hutchinson John & Anne Doyle Tony Hurst

# **Prayer Corner**

## Colouring



## Choose the word that best matches the definition

- \_\_\_1. An adult female human being
  - A. girl B. demon C. woman D. daughter 2. A female child in relation to her parents
- A. dog B. daughter C. demon D. woman
- \_\_\_\_\_3. To experience physical or mental pain A. lost B. worry C. faith D. suffer
- \_4. An evil spirit A. woman B. lost C. demon D. daughter
- \_5. The Son of God A. Matthew B. Jesus C. Joseph D. James
- \_6. Unable to be found A. sick B. suffer C. demon D. lost
- \_7. Animals with four legs, commonly kept as pets, and sometimes used to guard things A. dogs B. cats C. frogs D. camels
- 8. Small pieces of bread or cake
- A. food B. crumbs C. crackers D. leftovers
- \_9. An very large amount of something A. small B. great C. medium D. tiny
- \_\_\_\_\_10. To have trust or confidence in something or someone A. help B. great C. cry D. faith

Word Search

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**PENITENTIAL ACT** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

#### Gloria....

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you are alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### **Opening Prayer**

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus, Christ, your Son.

#### FIRST READING (56:1,6-7)

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants—all who observe the Sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant– these I will bring to my holy mountain, I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples. The word of the Lord.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Response

- 1. O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all the nations learn your saving help. Response.
- 2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. Response.
- Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. Response

SECOND READING (11:13-15.29-32)

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans. Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being

sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean.? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now- and only because of the mercy shown to you-will also enjoy mercy eventually God has imprisoned all in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind. The word of the Lord.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom and cured all kinds of sickness among the people. Alleluia! Alleluia.

### THE GOSPEL (15:21-28)

**Priest:** The Lord be with you **People: And with your Spirit** 

#### A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, "Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. "Give her what she wants," they said. "because she is shouting after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. "Lord," she said, "help me. He replied, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs. She retorted, "Ah yes, sir, but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table. Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted. And from that moment her daughter was well again.

#### **Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We bring these gifts of bread and wine in faith to you. We know that they come from you, source of all life. May they bring us to a loving faith in your care for us. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of mercy, by this sacrament you make us one with Christ. By becoming more like him on earth, may we come to share his glory in heaven, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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