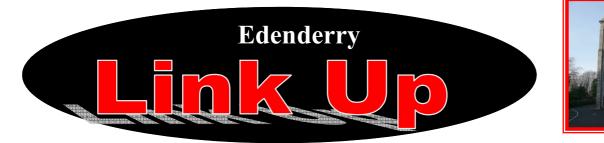
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd August 2020



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

Saturday 7p.m.

Sunday 10a.m. & 11:30am

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The Key

Who do you think Jesus is? As small children we are told that Jesus is the Son of God, and we accept it readily. When we are children God is a kindly father figure who lives in Heaven and listens to our night prayers. When we are small, Jesus is the baby we see in the Christmas Nativity scene. When we are a little older, Jesus is the teller of all those intriguing parables.



Once we are young adults we see Jesus as a great teacher, a healer, a worker of miracles and a revolutionary. For some of us, doubts creep in. Is Jesus really the Son of God or simply a good man and a great prophet? In today's gospel Jesus asks his disciples "Who do you say I am?" "You are the Christ," replies Peter promptly, "the Son of the living God." But this wasn't Peter's opinion from the start. Peter and the other disciples first met Jesus as a fellow human being. By working with Jesus and following his ministry daily, Peter and the other disciples gradually came to the extraordinary conviction that God was working through Jesus; speaking, healing, working miracles and offering eternal salvation. Today we listen again to Jesus' question. "Who do you say I am?" It seems that the question is stretching over the centuries. It seems that the question is aimed not just at the disciples but at us. Jesus doesn't want us to give the answer we've been taught to give ... our answer has to be from the heart. Our answer might be, "I don't know!" Our answer might be, "I'm not very sure right now." Or our answer might be a resounding, "You are Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus knows that faith is a journey and our answer reflects at exactly what stage of that journey we have reached. It may be that we think of Jesus as little more than a good man and a great prophet. If this is what we believe, the Bible becomes little more than a book filled with good stories and sound philosophy. If like the disciples we are convinced that Jesus is the Son of God, all at once we are opening ourselves to great possibilities. All at once we have found the key to life's greatest adventure.

<u>Mass Rotas</u>

EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS READERS 11am. Mon 24th Aug – Frank Caffrey

EDENDERRY-WEEKEND MASS

READERS 7pm. Sat 29th Aug - Eddie Kelliher 10am. Sun 30th Aug - John Quinlan 12 noon. Sun 30th Aug - Caroline McNamee

Eucharistic Ministers: For the moment we are not doing up a Eucharistic ministers rota. If you are at Mass and you feel you would like to distribute Communion, please feel free to come up. Please note you must wear a face mask.

Community Notices

Baptism Dates..With Communion and Confirmation ceremonies on Saturdays in Sept & October. Baptisms for these 2 months will be on Sunday's ONLY .

2 Godparents ONLY are recommended at each Baptism during these COVID times. This will be strictly adhered to

Bookings for baptisms can be arranged through the Parish Office @ 046 9733311.

Restrictions for Offaly-Laois & Kildare

The measures are in place from midnight Friday 7th August until midnight Sunday 23rd August. The situation will then be reviewed".

Churches and other places of worship

Churches and other places of worship can only remain open for private prayer. Services will be available online.

Funerals

A maximum of 25 people can attend a funeral service, burial or cremation ceremony. A maximum of 6 people can attend indoor events related to the funeral".



If you want something you never had, you have to do something you never did.



OUR PRADERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Edward Symth Stanley Killane/Drumcooley

May he Rest in Peace. Our Sympathy to this family

PARISH LOTTO DRAW Wednesday 19th Aug 2020



RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

No Jackpot Winner 32 Matched 3's won €32 each

1 local Winner **Charlie Reilly C/O Bradys**

Next Week's Jackpot €20,000

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.

1800 247 247 is a direct phone line to Pieta or text HELP to 51444. They are here to help and support you or someone you love and care for.

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

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

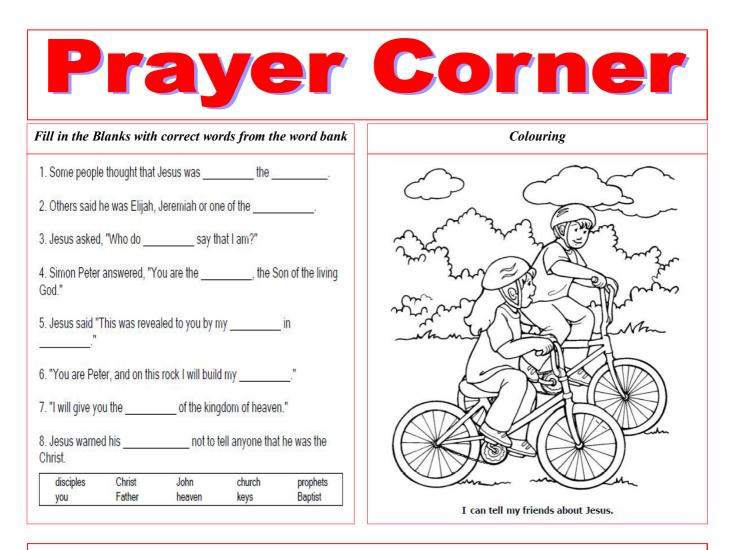
Monday 11am: Tuesday 11am: Wednesday 11am: Thursday 11am: Friday 11am: Mass Card Intentions

Saturday 7pm: Sean & Molly Traynor Sunday 10am: William (Bilch) Davy; Months mind Mass Sunday 11:30am: Peadar Fennessy; Months mind Mass; Brendan Kelly



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

Johnny Hughes



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.

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 cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. Through our Lord Jesus, Christ, your Son.

FIRST READING 22:49-23 A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord of host to Shebna, the master of the palace; I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house. The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I thank you Lord with all my heart. Response

- I thank you, Lord, with all my heart; you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. Response
- I thank you for your faithfulness and love, which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. Response
- **3.** The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **Response.**

SECOND READING (11:33-36)

A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

How rich are the depths of God-how deep his wisdom and knowledge-and how impossible to penetrate his motives understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory forever!

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL (16:13-20) **Priest:** The Lord be with you **People:** And with your Spirit

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets. "But you," he said, "who do you say I am?" Then Simon Peter spoke up, "You are the Christ," he said, 'the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it . I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven." Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May these gifts we offer be signs of our love for you, Lord God, and for each other. As you change them into the body and blood of Jesus, change us too that we become people of joy and hope. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. Through Christ our Lord.