

20th Sept 2020

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Edenderry

# Link Up

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**Daily Mass**  
9am

(No 9am Mass on day of funeral)

**Saturday**  
7p.m.

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

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## What Sort of Union Must God Be In

Born in 1750, the story goes that Italian composer Antonio Salieri studied harpsichord and violin from an early age. Music was his passion, but not possessing much in the way of natural talent, he had to work extremely hard to achieve success. Imagine his feelings of joy and great privilege to reach the prestigious rank of chief composer at the Viennese Court. Then along came the much younger Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart with ten times more in the way of talent. The young newcomer waltzed in and won favour with seemingly little effort. Suddenly Salieri could no longer see himself as lucky or privileged, he could only see God as unfair for granting this younger, and in his eyes, undeserving man so much more than he. There must be times in all of our lives where we have felt God to be unjust. In today's parable, the workers who were employed in the vineyard all day are aggrieved to discover that the workers employed late in the afternoon are paid exactly the same generous amount. In our capitalistic twenty first century society in which we expect our rewards to match our efforts, we can easily understand this seeming injustice. What sort of union would sanction this? If this parable is meant to illustrate the Kingdom of God, what sort of union must God be in? The parable of course is nothing to do with employment rights; it's a clue as to how salvation will be dealt at the end of time. God's justice will not be dealt in strict mathematical judgement or apportioned by effort or merit. How could it be, when we are all dealt a different hand to begin with? We have to remember that the workers who worked from early morning were not treated unfairly; in fact to begin with, they felt themselves to be lucky and privileged. It was misguided of the workers to resent the latecomers sharing in the same reward, just as it is wrong for us to resent those who live lives of sin and become Christians late in life. That we have lived as Christians from the outset makes us the lucky ones, and we mustn't resent God's generosity in welcoming the latecomers.



## Harvest Mass – 3rd October 2020

Thanksgiving for the Harvest, and for all the blessings we have received during the year. We welcome fruit, vegetables, and all the produce of our summer and our harvest. These can be left into the Church on Friday evening @ 5pm.

## MASS ROTAS

### EDENDERRY-WEEKDAY MASS

#### READERS

9am. Mon 21st Sept – Eddie Lynch

### EDENDERRY—WEEKEND MASS

#### READERS

7pm. Sat 26th Sept - Doreen Pickering

10am. Sun 27th Sept - Dave Mulligan

11:30am Sun 27th Sept - Gerry Raleigh

**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

**Liturgy Group Meeting:** on Monday 28th Sept @ 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.

**Confirmation: 26th September:** St Mary's Primary school @ 12 noon.

**Culture Night 2020:** Edenderry will celebrate Culture Night 2020 with a project "Shoes of Edenderry", which was produced by "Creative Edenderry" in association with Offaly County Council Arts Office. The project involves interviews, stories, photographs, artefacts and memorabilia associated with Edenderry Shoe Company, with a modern day element exploring the theme "Walking in my shoes" reflecting the diverse cultures now living in Edenderry. The project can be viewed in business windows along JKL Street; Anna Marie Boutique, Bradys, Carrolls, Eden Deli, H&M Barbers, Joe O'Connell, Tedders and The Medical Hall - all have kindly agreed to facilitate the project. Displays will be in place from Friday 18th of September. In the interest of public health and safety Social Distancing and Covid guidelines will apply.

**St Pio Feast Day Mass:** which takes place on Wednesday 23rd September in St Mary's Church Edenderry at 7pm. Due to Covid-19 and the small number of people allowed to attend mass. It has been decided in the interest and wellbeing of all to celebrate the feast day Mass behind closed doors.  
*The mass can be viewed on [edenderryparish.ie](http://edenderryparish.ie) webcam.*

**Eddie Flynn (Windmill DVD Productions)** will video Confirmations in St Mary's Church, Edenderry. If you would like to purchase a DVD contact Eddie @ 087 2508532



OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

**Sam Halpin, Lucan, Dublin**  
**Peadar Dockery, Greenwood Pk**

*May they Rest in Peace.*  
*Our Sympathy to their families*



## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

### RESULTS FOR DRAW HELD ON

**Wednesday 16th September 2020**

### NUMBERS DRAWN

02

12

13

21

**No Jackpot Winner**

**19 Matched 3's won €53 each**

**1 local Winner**

**James Lowry C/O Mary Denehan**

**Next Week's Jackpot €20,000**

**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.



*Congratulations to the Boys and Girls from St Patrick's N.S who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last week.*

**Delayed Summer Priest Collection:** will take place next weekend of 26th/27th September. Thank you for your continued support.

**St Pio Feast Day Mass @ 7pm on Wednesday 23rd Sept. Via: webcam**



### Failte

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

*Ajay Ferris Foley*

## MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Saturday 7pm:** Paddy Murray, **1st Anniversary;** Bridie Hughes & deceased members of the Hughes, Hope & Kelly families; Kevin Nolan; Christopher Phelan; Eileen Wilcox; Noel Maher

**Sunday 10am:** Donal Byrne

**Sunday 11:30am:** Christopher & Jane Coyne & deceased family members

**Monday 9am:**

**Tuesday 9am:** Edward O' Reilly Snr & Edward O'Reilly Jnr

**Wednesday 9am:**

**Thursday 9am:** Sean O' Connor

**Friday 9am: Mass Card Intentions**

**Saturday 7pm:** Chrisie Reade, **1st Anniversary;** Kathleen O' Callaghan; Bilsh Redmond; Pee Farrell; Margaret & Paddy Delaney

**Sunday 10am:**

**Sunday 11:30am:** Declan Guing; Joe Guing; John Lawless; Patsy Kenna



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

*Eileen Kelly*

*Marie Lacey*

*Pat Coyne*

*Joe & Alice Byrne*

*Mickey & Phil Cummins*

*Jack & Mary Smullen*

*Paddy & Brigid McGlynn*

*Brigid Noonan*

*Denis Brennan*



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**Opening Hours: 9:30am to 1pm (046-9733311)**

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*You can book, your Weddings, Anniversary Masses, & Baptisms by phoning, Emailing, or visiting the Centre. Signed Mass Cards & Mass Bouquets available.*

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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 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 founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping these same commandments, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus, Christ, your Son.

### **FIRST READING (55:6-9)**

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah.**

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways—it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

**The word of the Lord.**

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**The Lord is close to all who call him. Response:**

1. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. The Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured.  
**Response.**
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.  
**Response.**
3. The Lord is just in all ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. **Response**

### **SECOND READING (1:20-24.27)**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.**

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results—I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want

to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

**The word of the Lord.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!

Alleluia.

### **THE GOSPEL (20:1-16)**

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you*

**People:** **And with your Spirit**

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

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, 'You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.'" So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" 'Because no one has hired us, they answered. He said to them, 'You go into my vineyard too.'" In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first'. So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. The men who came last they said, 'have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat'. He answered one of them and said, 'My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous? Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'" **Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.**

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Lord, may these gifts which we now offer to show our belief and our love be pleasing to you. May they become for us the eucharist of Jesus Christ your Son, who is Lord for ever and ever.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord, help us with your kindness. Make us strong through the Eucharist. May we put into action the saving mystery we celebrate. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.