

The Parish of Carrigtwohill

7th / 8th August 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

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I am the Bread of Life

“The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, ‘I am the bread that came down from heaven.’ ‘Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph’ they said. ‘We know his father and mother. How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” Jesus said in reply, ‘Stop complaining to each other. ‘No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day.

It is written in the prophets: *They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father.*

I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; . but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.’ ” John 6: 41-51

Jesus said in reply, “Stop complaining to each other”.

There is a moment of crisis for those who follow Jesus. Will they accept what he says and who he is or will they turn away from him. True discipleship is tested in how we accept the word of God, Jesus, and live by it. Some of the crowd choose only to accept parts of Jesus, the part that satisfy them but not the part that challenges them or the cross that proves true discipleship.

The test for Christians today is to abide by Jesus word even when it challenges the world around us, when it seeks God way and not the way of the crowd. How do I pay heed to the Word of Jesus as revealed in the Gospel and explained in the teaching of the Church? Do I choose what part of Jesus and the Church’s teaching I will adhere to? Do I disregard parts of Christ’s teaching that I do not like? Jesus challenges the crowd to become true disciples or to walk away. He offers life, will I accept him or reject him?

Jesus invites the crowd to look beyond the ordinary (his family background) and to see the opportunity before them. That God has led them to him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. In this moment, God is present and offers them life now and forever.

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Celebrating Safely in Covid -19 Times

Please abide by these guidelines to ensure respect for one another as we emerge from Covid -19 restrictions slowly.

- *The capacity of the Church is 70 to 80 people (depends on family units sitting together) at this time due to having two sections that are 4 metres apart.*
- *Enter by the main door and use all doors to exit, side aisles exit by side doors, centre aisle exit by main door, beginning with seats nearest the door.*
- *Sanitise hands on entry and exit to the Church.*
- *Sanitise your seat with sanitising wipes available before and after use.*
- *Household units may sit on the same seat in the middle aisles.*
- *Couples and individuals may sit on the side aisles seats nearest the aisle and not next to the radiators.*
- *A face covering /mask must be worn, respect others around you.*
- *Do not gather in Church grounds before or after Mass.*
- *Holy Communion will be brought to people.*
- *If one wishes to receive Holy Communion, stand and receive on your hands.*
- *If a person is feeling unwell, please stay at home until you feel better.*
- *Cough, sneeze into your elbow or tissue.*
- *Do not touch unnecessary surfaces.*

Postures during Mass

- *Stand for the entrance to end of Opening Prayer.*
- *Sit for readings. Stand for Gospel. Sit for Homily.*
- *Stand for Creed and Intercessions*
- *Stand for Eucharistic Prayer when the priest says “pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours” until the Lamb of God.*
- *Stand to receive Holy Communion.*
- *Stand for Concluding Prayer and blessing.*
- *Singing will be led by Cantor(s) or priest. The congregation is asked not to join vocally in this at the present time but to sing in your hearts and minds.*

Saturday evening Mass and every Saturday for August will be in the Cemetery at 6pm, (weather permitting) due to the increase in the number attending outdoor events being 200. Adhere to safety guidelines please.

Volunteers for Stewarding and cleaning of the Church

Please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Winkle if you can help.

Thanks to those who clean the Church at present, it is greatly appreciated. Another group of three people would be a great help.

Parish Office: The Office closed until Wednesday 11th August.

The Church is opened every day from 9.30 to 6.00pm this week

Priests of the Parish

V. Rev. Patrick Winkle P.P. 021 4882439

Rev. Danny Murphy, Coordinator for Mission and Ministry in the Diocese
Priest in Residence

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Vigil Mass: SUNDAY MASSES

6.00p.m in St. Mary's Cemetery

Sunday Morning

10.00 a.m. and 12 noon

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 10am and on Friday at 7.30pm

Please pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace

We pray for those who died: for Una Keegan whose first anniversary occurs: for Catherine Donovan on her months mind: for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; John Hyde, Peter Cotter, Patrick McHugh, Martina Cotter and Nell O'Brien.

Download the Parish website app onto phone to keep up to date.

Anniversaries Masses and months mind will be celebrated during weekday Masses at present except for those who had booked before the reopening.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival

This year the Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place both ONLINE and IN PERSON! The festival is primarily taking place ONLINE! All talks, testimonies, Liturgies, prayer and worship will take place online for the course of the weekend and it is here that you can watch, engage with and participate in the Summer Festival in its entirety. However, in line with government and church regulations, this year we are able to add in person elements once again to our Summer Festival. These in person elements will be held at multiple satellite locations around Ireland with slightly different formats in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to ensure that all activities are in line with relevant government regulations there. For all information and to register please visit www.youth2000.ie

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday's will resume in September once enough people have committed to the period of Adoration from 11am to 6pm. At present 13 people have volunteered, 14 is the ideal number.

Weddings: Due to protocols of social distancing and pods of 50, couples are asked to invite guests to sit in the Church according to the seating plan of the reception, this will ensure best possible use of space and ensuring as many as possible can attend.

Sacraments of Confirmation and Reception of Holy Communion for the first time
These will resume once the Government Health Guidance has changed to ensure that the risk to health is lowered for such celebrations. As the vaccination for 12 to 15 year old's will begin in the coming weeks, it is prudent to wait to celebrate Confirmation until this group has the opportunity to be vaccinated.

Pope Francis Prayer intention for the month of August is - The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

The church's call to evangelize and not proselytize, is more than just a vocation; it is a part of the Catholic Church's identity. We can only renew the church by discerning God's will in our daily life and embarking on a transformation guided by the Holy Spirit. Our own reform as persons is that transformation. Allowing the Holy Spirit, the gift of God, in our hearts reminds us what Jesus taught and helps us put it into practice. Let us begin reforming the church with a reform of ourselves, without prefabricated ideas, without ideological prejudices, without rigidity, but rather by moving forward based on spiritual experience — an experience of prayer, an experience of charity, an experience of service. Let us remember that the church always has difficulties, always is in crisis, because she's alive. Living things go through crises. Only the dead don't have crises.,”

St. Dominic

On August 8th, the Dominican Order (the Order of Preachers) celebrates the feast of Saint Dominic. This year is the 8th centenary—the 800th anniversary—of the death of Saint Dominic. The brethren say that Saint Dominic spoke only to God or of God. He was known for his many journeys, travelling to preach and encourage the brothers, his compassion and his joy. Despite dying 800 years ago, Saint Dominic's vision for the Order, his zeal for reform for the Church, his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, his love of Truth continues today. *“We must sow the seed, not hoard it.”* St. Dominic

“The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus” John 5:41

“There is so much gossip in parishes! It is not good. For example, when one is elected president of that association, they gossip about him. And when another is elected president of Catechesis, the others gossip about her. But this is not the Church. This is not what one should do, we must not do it! We must ask the Lord for the grace not to do it. This happens when we aim for first place; when we place ourselves at the centre, with our personal ambitions and our ways of seeing things, and we judge others; when we look at our brothers faults instead of their talents; when we give more weight to what divides us instead of to what we have in common.... Once, in another diocese I had before, I heard an interesting and kind comment. It was about an older woman who had worked all her life in the parish, and a person who knew her well said: “This woman never criticized, she never gossiped, she always wore a smile”. A woman like this could be canonized tomorrow! This is a good example.” (27th August 2014)

Prayer of Thomas Merton

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will, does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this, You will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always though, I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my struggles alone. Amen.
