

The Parish of Carrigtwohill

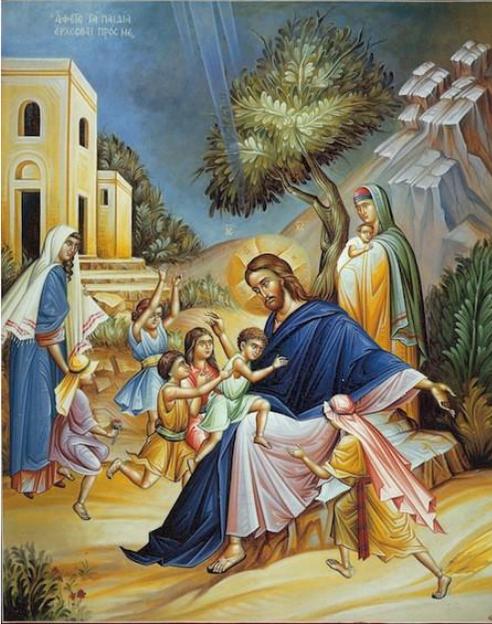
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Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B

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'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, *'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.'* But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, *'What were you arguing about on the road?'* They said nothing because they had been arguing

which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, *'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.'* He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, *'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me...'* Mark 9:30-37

Which of them was the greatest.

Christian Disciples are those who constantly seek to understand their lives through the mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. They seek to understand life events through the eyes of the Lord. The disciples have spent time with Jesus, heard him speak of his suffering and death to come, yet they fail to comprehend what this is, and how it is to be part of their lives too. Instead they compete with one another for places of honour.

Envy draws us away from Christ and leads us to comparing ourselves to others. This can lead to be concerned about other people's accomplishments and status. From this, an attitude of looking down on others or to put others down arises. The attitude of envy is destructive to the Christian and the Christian Community.

Jesus treats everyone equally and as Christians, we are called from our dignity in Christ to treat one another as an equal.

Celebrating Safely in Covid -19 Times

Update since the governments regulations on numbers for religious setting can now reach 50% capacity if other guidelines adhered to. 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 100 to 140 people (depends on family units sitting together) at this time due to having capacity of 50%.
- Household units may sit on the same seat in the centre aisles.
- Where two household sit on a centre aisle seat they must keep distance between them.
- Couples and individuals may sit on the side aisles seats.
- One way system now in place.
- A face covering /mask must be worn.
- Enter by the main door and exit by the side aisles.
- Sanitise hands on entry and exit to the Church.
- Sanitise your seat with sanitising wipes available before and after use. If using kneelers or touching seat in front sanitise that too.
- Seat only on designated seats.
- Keep physical distance from other households at all times.
- Do not gather in Church grounds before or after Mass.
- Holy Communion will be distributed at the Altar. People in the side aisle seats to come forward first by going around and processing up the centre aisle and return to seat via the side aisle. Then, the people in the centre aisle to come forward via the centre aisle and return via the side aisles. Physical distancing while processing to the Altar and returning from it must be adhered to.
- Holy Communion is to be received on the hands while standing.
- Leave the Church after the Liturgy.
- If a person is feeling unwell, please stay at home until feeling better.
- Cough, sneeze into your elbow or tissue.
- Do not touch unnecessary surfaces.
- Respect others around you.

Postures during Mass during Covid

- *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 & 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.*
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Pope Francis speaking to young people in Lokomotiva Stadium in Košice on Tuesday, 14 September 2021

“For love to be fruitful, don’t forget your roots. What are your roots? Surely, they are your parents and especially your grandparents. Take heed: your grandparents. They prepared the soil in which you have grown. Cultivate your roots, visit your grandparents; it will do you good. Ask them questions, take time to listen to their stories. Today, there is a danger of growing up rootless, because we feel we always have to be on the go, to do everything in a hurry. What we see on the internet immediately enters our homes; just one click and people and things pop up on our screen. Those faces can end up becoming more familiar than those of our own families. Bombarded by virtual messages, we risk losing our real roots. To grow disconnected from life, or to fantasize in a void, is not a good thing; it is a temptation from the evil one. God wants us to be firmly grounded, connected to life. Never closed, but always open to others! Grounded and open. Understood? Grounded and open.”

Reception of Holy Communion for the first time.

We welcome those who will receive Holy Communion for the first time this weekend at Sunday Masses. We welcome their parents and families. The family of the Church gathers together to celebrate Sunday Mass, to worship God the Father in Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. The Eucharist is the high point of our Christian living and is the source of joy for us every day. The Sunday Eucharist is essential for us to live our Baptismal calling as Christians.

“The Eucharist is here to remind us who God is. It does not do so just in words, but in a concrete way, showing us God as bread broken, as love crucified and bestowed. We can add ritual elements, but the Lord is always there in the simplicity of Bread ready to be broken, distributed and eaten. He is there: to save us, Christ became a servant; to give us life, he accepted death. We do well to let ourselves be taken aback by those daunting words of Jesus. And whoever is open to these words is open to the second step.” Pope Francis 12th September Budapest

Receiving Holy Communion for the first time is another step in faith and one that commits us to celebrating regularly with the family of the Church the Sunday Eucharist. With so many other pressing concerns and attractions, the challenge to celebrate Sunday Mass is greater for parents and children today. While other pursuits can give moments of happiness, satisfaction and pleasure, only God can give us lasting joy and peace.

Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less. -C. S. Lewis

Priests of the Parish

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Vigil Mass: **SUNDAY MASSES**

6.00p.m

Sunday Morning

10.00 a.m. and 12 noon

Weekday Masses:

Monday, to Thursday: 10am and on Friday at 7.30pm.

Confessions:

Available on request

Baptisms

By appointment

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

We pray for the deceased: for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; David Cull, Kitty Cull, William Ryan, Michael O'Riordan, Delia McDonagh, Batt Ahern, Noreen Spillane, Thomas and Mary Jeffers, Jim Byrne and granddaughter Courtney and Nora Creedon.

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday's will resume on the 13th of September from after 10am Mass to 6pm. Those who have committed to an hour are asked to sign in for the time they are present. It is important that two people commit themselves to for each hour or half hour to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never left without people present. Volunteers for spending a half and hour or an hour in prayer will be greatly appreciated, especially for 1-3pm. Adoration can only take place with the commitment of people to prayer during this time.

Church Cleaning and Sanitising

Due to the return of the pews there is an extra work load for cleaning and sanitising the Church. Defogging the Church after Sunday Masses will be required. Church cleaning once a week by different groups. Contact Parish office if you can help.

Readers and Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion.

We are grateful to those in our parish community who give of their time for these ministries. Anyone who would like to and be willing to take on these ministries can contact Fr. Winkle or the Parish Office for details.

Update on the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The celebration of the conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place for those candidates who have registered with the parish in October. There will be a ceremony each evening Monday to Friday 11th to 15th and Monday 18th. This ensures that family members can attend the celebration with the candidates. *"I am evermore convinced that the connection between the faith community and the family is one that requires our fullest attention. It is no longer reasonable to assume that preparing young children for the sacraments without the inclusion of their family."* Bishop Crean - September 2019
