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**LITURGY**

**First reading:** Job 3:8-11

**Response to the Psalm:** O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.

**Second reading:** 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia, May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 4:35-41



**Dear Parishioners**

When the storms of life rage all round us, which one of us would be so heartless as to deny a child of God that rest which alone comes with complete childlike confidence? That's what God wants to give us.

Of course God cares. Jesus stirs himself from his slumbers, rebukes the wind, and silences the sea. His little boat and its scared passengers reach the other side safely. There remains but the unhappy memory of another failure in faith on the part of the disciples. The wind and the sea receive from the once sleeping Lord a mild rebuke by comparison with the one he saves for his closest followers:

Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?

It must have been little consolation to them that they made it through the storm. 'We failed the test but at least we survived shipwreck.'

Christian faith is about much more than surviving shipwreck through the storms of life. It's about believing confidently that the journey ends well. And that's a cushion we can all sleep on.

God Bless,  
Fr. Benedict OSB

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**12<sup>th</sup> Week of Year (B)**

**Week commencing Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

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### Masses

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|----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> June  | 5pm | <b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday (YearB)</b>           | Judy Husband RIP            |
| Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> June  |     | <b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday (YearB)</b>           | All Fathers                 |
| Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> June  |     |                                                 |                             |
| Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> June |     | <b>St. John Fisher &amp; St. Thomas More(F)</b> | Zita, Harold and Family RIP |
| Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> June  |     |                                                 |                             |
| Thur 24 <sup>th</sup> June |     | <b>Nativity of John the Baptist (Sol)</b>       |                             |
| Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> June  |     |                                                 |                             |
| Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> June  | 5pm | <b>13<sup>th</sup> Sunday (YearB)</b>           | People of the Parish        |
| Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> June  |     | <b>13<sup>th</sup> Sunday (YearB)</b>           | Private Intention           |

**Mass is celebrated daily except on Mondays.**

**If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery.**

**Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:** Faith Lyons, Steve Smith, Jane-Christina Thomson, Joan Smith, Derek Sollis, Michael Hall, Christopher Hurd, Edward O'Neill, Michael Smith, Barbara Wall, Mick Sollis, Margaret Birkett, Annie McHugh, Georgette Cowell, Dolores Flynn, Carol Shuck, Tony Lyons, Jackie Ingrams, Brian Arthur, Michelle Norton, Melvin Probyn, Peter Sollis, Fred Chadfield. Mary Cross, Alan Clatworthy, Anthony Woodhouse, Maurice Andrews.

**Those who have recently died:**

Jill Smith, Paula Brookes, Jean McCarthy, Joe Brennan, Paul Bunn, Richard Flynn, Denis Charlton, Mary Gardner, Charles Maries, Sheila Hall, Donald Newell, Helen Meaney Bridget Clarke, Sylvia Flanagan, Robert McCarthy, Pamela Young, Norah O'Neill-Thomas, Susanna Westmeath, Nell Bridge. Doleen Evans, Jean Monica Tucker, Fr. John Fallon, Judy Husband.

### **Information**

May I please remind people that when they phone on Mondays to book a place at Mass **not to leave messages on the answer machine.** These can only be dealt with after the phone calls and you could very well be disappointed as the Mass may be fully booked. Thank you.

### **PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to You now and forever. Amen

*Based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori*

### **How to support your Parish As We Move Forward**

The overall qualification for unity is love. This is the function of an apostle: not only to know *about* Jesus, but to actually *know* Jesus. That means not only the Jesus of books, but as we experience him in our lives. The overall qualification for unity is love. We must act in oneness with God and with one another. As the move out of the current pandemic has been postponed until July 19<sup>th</sup>, we as a parish, can only move forward slowly in love. If we wish to rebuild and indeed improve on what our parish was before the pandemic it will take time, sacrifice and yes, love. At some point, sooner rather than later I hope, we will need to reinstate all our different ministries, we particularly need more volunteers to act as stewards. Hopefully also our servers, although I am well aware that a number of them will have moved on to university. Please could I ask you to email me at [stmarysstudley@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysstudley@gmail.com) or phone me on 01527 852524 and let me know if you are willing and able to support us once more. Please could you pass on this message to anyone you know who does not receive the bulletin. Please remember that you are the parish and without you this parish would cease to exist.

**A big 'Thank You' to all those people who have sent cheques and cash over the last week. Please let us keep each other in our prayers**