



LITURGY

First reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

Response to the Psalm: Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Second reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48



Dear Parishioners

Faith, hope and charity are the work of God’s Spirit within us. They are all connected, and we should pray for an increase in all three. Just as Abraham recognized that his faith made demands of him, we must accept the demands being made of us – above all the demand to witness to Jesus Christ by what we say and do. The gospel is not just a reminder to act, but also a warning of the dangers of not acting on our faith. Much has been entrusted to us – in fact far more than was entrusted to Abraham. He will be the first to condemn us if we fail to witness to the truth that God has come to us in Jesus, to make His love for us visible and tangible.

Our society should be one in which human beings can truly flourish, and that is far more than can be achieved by subscribing to a transient secular philosophy or to a misplaced confidence in the nation’s inherent greatness, let alone a vague optimism that the market will, in time, solve the only problems that really matter. We need solid grounds for believing in ourselves and grounds for genuine, lasting hope. We can only truly believe in ourselves if we first believe in God and in what His Son has promised to those who love and obey Him. The gospel insists that we be prepared, ready to greet the Lord when he comes again as Judge. Now is the time to perfect our response to His great love for us, the love which we see in his willingness to suffer and die as a man to save us from our individual and collective rebellion. For those who turn to Jesus Christ there truly is no need to be afraid.

**God Bless
Fr. Benedict OSB**

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19th Week of Year(C)

Week commencing Sunday 7th August 2022

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Masses

Sat 6 th Aug	5.00pm	19 th Sunday Year (C)	Sarah Lamb RIP
Sun 7 th Aug	10.30am	19 th Sunday Year (C)	Marcello Manca RIP
Mon 8 th Aug			
Tues 9 th Aug			People of Ukraine
Wed 10 th Aug		St. Laurence (Feast)	
Thur 11 th Aug		St. Clare of Assisi (m)	
Fri 12 th Aug			Private Intention
Sat 13 th Aug	5.00pm	Assumption	Max Stoddart RIP
Sun 14 th Aug	10.30am	Assumption	Michael Wall RIP

Mass is celebrated privately daily except on Monday.

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, *please do not place it in the collection bag*. Thank you.

Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:

Derek Sollis, , Georgette Cowell, Dolores Flynn, Fred Chadfield. Alan Clatworthy, Anthony Woodhouse, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards,, Jill Spurrell,

Those who have recently died: ,

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 Graham Janes, Elizabeth Watton, Maurice Andrews, Max Stoddart. Tony Lyons, Michael Russell, Mary Cross, Agnes McIlravey, Helen McCarthy, Patricia O'Brien, Pauline Burton, Mary Judith Smith (nee Hewitt), Wyn Varley, Raimondo Gemeli.

Information

Weekly Second Collection

The weekly second collection will normally be for help towards the payment of the diocesan levy and the upkeep of the house and church buildings. Both the church and the house are Grade II listed so any work done has to be to a high standard as set by the requisite authority. Here are a few of the expenses for the coming year:

- Diocesan Levy £5,500 p.a.
- Building's upkeep £36,000.00
- Insurance £3,744.77 p.a.

At times the second collection will be for other charities and the details of these will be placed in the bulletin.

Gift Aid

We are attempting to update our Gift Aid records. At the back of the church there is a form to sign up for Gift Aid if you wish to join. Also, could those who are already members sign the form. You can Gift Aid by Standing Order or weekly envelopes which we will be issuing to those who request them. To that end, please tick the relevant box on the form. Thank you.

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