



LITURGY

First reading: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

Response to the Psalm: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Second reading: Romans 9:1-5

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!

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33



Dear Parishioners

When we listen for the voice of God the greatest danger is that we listen to our own voice. Elijah avoids this temptation and remains hidden in the cave. It is in the quiet of the gentle breeze that Elijah hears the word of God, the creative word, and by listening to this creative word Elijah is able to use his potential not for destruction, but for building up God's people. Peter walks out on the water towards Jesus, but he is overcome in fear by the violence of the storm. This is often how we find ourselves. In the face of the destructive voices which dominate our world we can feel helpless, unable to resist the terrible destructive power of the violent. Yet Jesus Christ reaches out to hold us as we sink beneath the waves. Raising us up to be with Him, so that our voices can be used to build His Kingdom. From our little faith, small boats on a great and violent sea, He can make us great.

God Bless
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19th Week of (Year A)

Week commencing Sunday 6th August 2023

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Masses

Sat 12 th August	5.00pm	19 th Sunday Year (A)	Max Stoddart RIP
Sun 13 th August	10.30am	19 th Sunday Year (A)	Maurice Andrews RIP
Mon 14 th August			
Tues 15 th August	10.30am	THE ASSUMPTION Holy Day of Obligation	People of the Parish
Wed 16 th August			
Thur 17 th August			
Fri 18 th August			
Sat 19 th August	5.00pm	20 th Sunday Year (A)	Anthony Kilburn RIP
Sun 20 th August	10.30am	20 th Sunday Year (A)	Natalie Tonks 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, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards,, Jill Spurrell, Stan Phipps, Judith Baylis, Rachel Severn, Jackie Gannon.

Those who have recently died: .

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, Anthony Woodhouse, Barbara Woodhouse, Kathleen McLoughlin, Peter McGoldrick, Anthony Roache, Lionel Quigley. Keith John Francis Cotterell, Anna Rose McGoldrick, Mary Baker.

INFORMATION

Sunday Coffee

Do please come and join us after Mass near the end of each month. There will be no coffee morning during August because of the holidays. We will resume in September and a new list for volunteers to sign is available at the back of the church. There will often be a small tabletop sale of priced items. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for coffee, cake and biscuits.

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.

Unwanted Gifts

We will be collecting any new, unopened Christmas gifts and gift sets after Christmas for future fundraising sales. Please keep anything that you think might be saleable and check the bulletin for details of when we will be collecting these items. No alcohol. Thank you!

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