



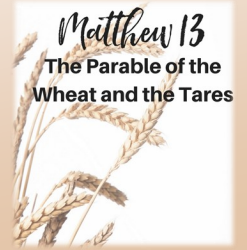
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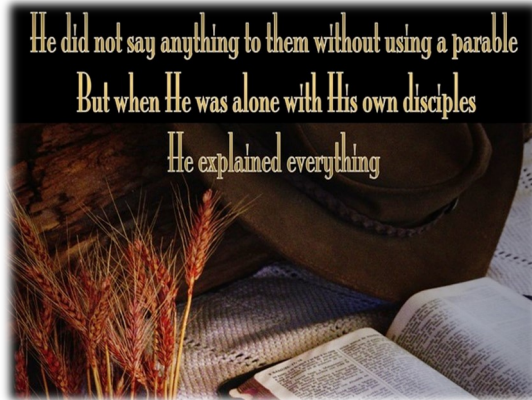
Parish Newsletter

Sunday 19th July 2020



HE SPOKE TO THEM IN PARABLES

After his baptism by John in the river Jordan, Jesus left the desert. He was about 30 years old. He did not go to Jerusalem. He went straight to Galilee. His heart was on fire with the love of God, his Father. He wanted to share the Good News with the poor people of his native place. He stayed with Simon and Andrew in the village of Capernaum, a fishing village near the sea of Galilee. However, he did not settle in Capernaum but went from town to town with a small group of followers, spreading the good news of God's reign.



Jesus proclaimed the kingdom of God but never really said what it was. He used poetic language, invented images and suggested comparisons with life as they experienced it. He was a master storyteller whose parables captivated his listeners. All life was present in his parables: its fields and vineyards, its planting and harvesting, its fishermen, and farmers, its bread bakers and householders. He used everything that was familiar to them to illustrate God's goodness and mercy.

Only Jesus told parables about the reign of God. He usually began with a contrast "The kingdom of God is like" or he asked a question "Which of you is like.." or "Who among you having.." He put people in touch with their own experience which could help them to open up to God's reign. Each parable was an invitation to go from the old to the new way of life called "the Kingdom of God".

Jesus did not usually explain the meaning of his parables. The parable itself had to penetrate its hearers. He had a habit of saying: "Those who have ears to hear let them hear." His message was for everyone who listened. Those who resisted missed the point. Those who accepted were transformed.

The parables affected them deeply, turning their image of God upside down. Was God's saving power like a mighty tree that grew from the smallest of all seeds? Was his compassion like the father who welcomed home his erring son? Was God's mercy like the loving care shown by the hated Samaritan to the injured traveler, or his generosity like the landowner who paid the same wage to all the labourers?

Let those of us who have ears to hear, hear the Good News of the parables.

Sr. Anne

We pray for all those in our country and throughout the world suffering from the Corona Virus. May its victims and their families be strengthened by the support of our community of faith and restored soon to full health. We also pray for our leaders and medical personnel who deal with the virus. May we keep calm and may we join together in solidarity with care and compassion to tackle this emergency. This we ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord. Amen

MASSES

Clondalkin Village

Sundays:

(Vigil) Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 10.00am, 12 noon

Weekdays

(Mon – Sat) 10am

Clonburris

6.30pm Sat & 11am Sun

**Mass in Irish returns on first Sunday in August the 2nd at 9am*

Knockmitten

From Friday 26th July

10.00am & 12 noon

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Clondalkin: Mon-Fri

9:30 am - 12:30pm

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A Word From Fr. Damian

I'm writing this on Thursday morning, reading reports that phase four of the reopening of society has been delayed affecting pubs, hotels and large gatherings. This also will have an impact on churches. We have adopted a very cautious approach to back to worship and I think this has proved to be wise. We appointed stewards to welcome and guide people to their seats, we encouraged Mass goers to wear a face mask, we bring Holy Communion to the congregation and we have a staggered exit afterwards. Our Churches are cleaned after every Mass and we have moved funerals to midday to allow fifty people to attend and the same number to continue to attend the ten o' clock Mass in the morning. Just a reminder that Masses on Sunday will be at 10.00 and 12.00 in English and 14.00 in Polish. We hope to restart Mass as Gaelige in August, hopefully we can confirm this next week.

Thank you to all our staff, volunteers and benefactors who have been so helpful during the past few weeks.

Fr. Damian



Feast Days This Week

Tuesday 21st July St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Wednesday 22nd July St. Mary Magdalene

Thursday 23rd July St. Bridget of Sweden (Patron of Europe)

Saturday 25th July St. James the Apostle

Village Church

Sunday 19th July

6.30pm Vigil Eamonn Currivan (An), Catherine

Nolan (Rem), Gretta Gallagher (Rem)

10.00am Margaret O' Connor (Mm)

Noel Lambard (An), Joe Devine (An)

Barry Carroll (5th An)

12noon

Tom & Maise Delaney (Family An), Tony Jordan (An)

Monday 20th July

10.00am Nóra Maher (Rem)

Tuesday 21st July

10.00am Tom Kinane (Birthday Rem)

Wednesday 22nd July

10.00am

Thursday 23rd July

10.00am Maureen Noone (10th An)

Friday 24th July

10.00am Teresa Flanagan

Sunday 26th

6.30pm Vigil

Gertie Fitzsimmons (Mm)

10.00am

Mary & William Cashin (An)

12noon Sheila Kelleher (1st An)

Sr. Anne Maher (Loretto) (An)

Clare Daly (1st An), Bill Caddle (An)



Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel



Starting from the

Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Thursday 16th July

and continuing to

Friday 24th July

We invite you to join us for a 9 day Novena for
"Our family of faith as we begin to gather
again for worship"

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- a short reflection
- a commitment &
- a Prayer

There will be a short video reflection each day
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May they rest in peace

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<https://turn2me.ie/> #itsoknottobeok

If you need any advice or support contact one of our youth workers in Ronanstown Youth Service on 014570363 or Call in for a chat
#mentalhealth #youth

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners.

Thanks Chris

Czasami możemy być dla siebie samych bardzo okrutni, bo "zawiedliśmy", bo nie jesteśmy tacy, jacy chcielibyśmy być. Ale Bóg jest „nieskory do gniewu”.

Patrzy na nas z miłością i zawsze posyła Swojego Ducha, aby pomóc nam przezwyciężyć nasze słabości i uzależnienia.

Często uważamy, że z powodu tych słabości nie możemy być dobrymi ludźmi ani robić niczego pięknego. Mylimy się. Jezus mówi nam dzisiaj, że jesteśmy dobrym ziarnem, które On zasiał. Nasze słabości lub uzależnienia są tylko jak chwast, który rośnie i wpływa na nasze możliwości, ale walka z nimi nie powinna być naszym głównym celem życia. Powinniśmy wzrastać w miłości, wypełniać naszą misję i zaakceptować to, że niektóre nasze słabości mogą pozostać z nami do końca.

Sometimes we can be very cruel to ourselves because we have "failed" because we are not what we would like to be. But God is "slow to anger". He looks at us with love and always sends His Spirit to help us overcome our weaknesses and addictions.

We often think that because of these weaknesses, we can't be good people or do anything beautiful. We are wrong. Jesus tells us today that we are the good seed He has sown. Our weaknesses or addictions are just like a weed that grows and affects our capabilities, but fighting them should not be our main goal of life. We should grow in love, fulfil our mission, and accept that some of our weaknesses may remain with us to the end.

The Wheat and the Weeds



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Every happening, great and small, is a parable whereby God speaks to us, and the art of life is to get the message.

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Saint Mary Magdalene's Story Feast day - 22nd July



Except for the mother of Jesus, few women are more honoured in the Bible than Mary Magdalene. Yet she could well be the patron of the slandered, since there has been a persistent legend in the Church that she is the unnamed sinful woman who anointed the feet of Jesus in Luke 7:36-50.

Most Scripture scholars today point out that there is no scriptural basis for confusing the two women. Mary Magdalene, that is, "of Magdala," was the one from whom Christ cast out "seven demons" (Luke 8:2) - an indication at the worst, of extreme demonic possession or possibly, severe illness.

Writing in the *New Catholic Commentary*, Father Wilfrid J. Harrington, O.P., says that "seven demons" "does not mean that Mary had lived an immoral life - a conclusion reached only by means of a mistaken identification with the anonymous woman of Luke 7:36." In the *Jerome Biblical Commentary*, Father Edward Mally, SJ, agrees that she "is not...the same as the sinner of Luke 7:37, despite the later Western romantic tradition about her." Mary Magdalene was one of the many "who were assisting them [Jesus and the Twelve] out of their means." She was one of those who stood by the cross of Jesus with his mother. And, of all the "official" witnesses who might have been chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection, she was the one to whom that privilege was given. She is known as the "Apostle to the Apostles."

Pope Francis has established that from now on the celebration of St Mary Magdalene be inscribed in the General Roman Calendar as a Feast day for the whole church.



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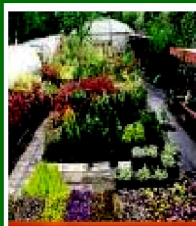
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