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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th August 2018

I am the Bread of Life

Mass Times

- 11th Sat St Clare**
 9.30 Tim Nolan +
 10.00 Confessions
 17.30 Michael Lamb +
- 12th Sun Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Margaret Walsh +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) Valerie Buckley +
- 13th Mon Feria**
 9.30 Gloria De Los Santos +
- 14th Tue St Maximilian Kolbe**
 9.30 Irine Vincent Wellbeing
- 15th Wed The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 9.30 Arturo Junjen Navarro +
 19.00
- 16th Thu Feria**
 9.30
- 17th Fri Feria**
 9.30 Terence Fernandes Wellbeing
- 18th Sat Feria**
 9.30
 10.00 Confessions
 17.30 John Birkett +
- 19th Sun Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Rose Flynn +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2
Cycle of Prayer, Summer:

Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews,
those who suffer Persecution, Oppression, and Denial of
Human Rights, Europe, Human Life, Seafarers

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Matthew

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



The Last Supper, Stanley Spencer 1920

Rebirth

When the tomb of one of the Ancient Egyptian Kings was opened and the archaeologists went in they discovered a number of sealed pots containing votive offerings.

One of these pots was full of grain, wheat grains. The pot of grain had lain there undisturbed for over 2,500 years.

Among the many other things that were of great scientific interest in the tomb, this pot of grain was particularly fascinating to agriculturists.

One of them wondered what would happen if, after 2,500 years the grain was planted. He duly planted and watered the grain. And lo and behold after all this time it produced green shoots and after the normal period sent forth ears containing new grains of wheat.

You couldn't call this a miracle, but to those agriculturists it seemed like a miracle. They were certainly full of wonder and awe. 2,500 years in the tomb and the wheat grains were still capable of generating new life.

Father Alex

Going to University this Autumn?

Each University and Higher Education Institute in the country has a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based either in the University or in the parish.



The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith, to meet people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach.

If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is an opportunity to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. For addresses see the special website www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk

I would rather die of passion than of boredom

Vincent van Gogh



World Meeting of Families 2018

Families from all over the world will meet in Dublin from 22-26 August 2018 to share their experiences, to reflect on the different challenges they face and to grow together in faith. Thousands of families and individuals from Ireland and the world will be attending.

Pope Francis will celebrate mass in the Phoenix Park on Sunday 26th August. For more details look up www.worldmeeting2018.ie

Ten Ways to Make Yourself Miserable:

- Forget the good things in life and concentrate on the bad.
- Put an excessive value on money.
- Think you are indispensable to your job, your community, your friends.
- Think you are overburdened with work and that people tend to take advantage of you.
- Think that you are exceptional and entitled to special privileges.
- Believe that you can control your bodily processes by sheer will power.
- Forget the feelings and rights of other people.
- Cultivate a consistently pessimistic outlook.
- Never overlook a slight or forget a grudge.
- And don't forget to feel sorry for yourself.

Just as a candle cannot burn without fire, people cannot live without a spiritual life

Buddha

Forthcoming Dates

Father Alex's Jubilee 7th September
Eucharistic Congress..... 7th-9th September
Parish Council11th September
Parish Council27th November



Feast of the Assumption

The Feast of the Assumption which falls on Wednesday 15th August is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be at 9.30 and 19.00.

Summer School of Prayer

St Mary Magdalene Church, East Hill are holding a Summer School of Prayer at 19.15 from Monday 13th to Friday 17th August. Each session will include a twenty minute talk and a twenty minute prayer exercise and the opportunity to talk to someone about your own life of prayer.

Father Alex Jubilee

Father Alex will be celebrating his 40th anniversary of Religious Profession as a Salvatorian on Friday 7th September. There will be a special mass in the Church at 19.00 followed by a Buffet in the Corry Hall. All welcome.

We are not human beings having a spiritual experience We are spiritual beings having a human experience

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £449.64, Bankers Orders £ 384

Upcoming Second Collections

9th September Catholic Education, 16th September Home Missions

Rotas

Sunday Welcome: Resumes in September
Readers: Sat: N Nolan, S Vas, E De Souza Sun: T Brown, A Harris, A Stacey n/w Sat: C Wilkins, E De Souza, H Pall; Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy
Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: J Cato, D McGavin, C Kawesi Sun: A Nobis, R Nwodo, P Fahy, R McMullan n/w Sat: D McGavin, K Dolan Sun: G Donaldson, S Palmer, R Kuleke, D Lyons
Royal Hospital: A Robbins n/w Sr Pauline
Maintenance Team: 11.00 9th September, 14th October