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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 6.00p.m.

Sunday 9.00a.m. & 12 noon-10.00a.m. (Polish)

Weekday Masses Mon - Fri: 09.30a.m.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

- Monday at 9.30a.m.

No Mass on Saturday mornings.

Holiday Masses:

Vigil Mass at 6.00p.m. - evening before

09.30a.m. Mass only on the day.

Welcome to our Sunday Liturgy at St. John's. Today: Fifteenth in Ord. Time

Amos was shepherd and one who looked after sycamores. The hand of the Lord was heavy upon him and he left his safe world to go north. He spoke of the plight of the poor and preached against social injustice. He makes scathing remarks about the rich and those who lie on ivory beds, while people are starving in the world. It is not wonder then that the shepherd Amos is unwelcome and despised by many as being of little worth.

Jesus suffered in the same way. When he called his first disciples, Nathaniel remarked 'can anyone good come from Nazareth?' It is in the light of Jesus' love and knowledge that Nathaniel speaks, but we are also told: 'He came to his own and his people did not accept him. T.S. Eliot tells us that we human beings cannot hear too much reality.'

In Loving Memory



To you O Lord we commend the souls of our brothers and sisters whose anniversaries or month's mind occur at this time.

Remember in Your Prayers those who died recently -

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:-

6.00pm Vigil - Saturday 10th July

Kitty Hogan

9.00am - Sunday 11th July

Jimmy & Agnes Power

12 Noon - Sunday 11th July

John & Tilly Fox

9.30 am - Monday 12th July

Maureen White

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



Your Prayers

You are asked to remember in your prayers, those members of our Christian Community of St. John's who are ill at home or in hospital at this time, that the Lord may make them comfortable in their illness towards a speedy recovery and help their loved ones to care for them.

Notice Board



Covid 19 Restrictions in St. John's

1. For everyone's safety, please wear a face mask during Mass
2. Please do not congregate in the yard before or after Mass or service.
3. There will be no basket collection during Mass. Please leave your donation in the box near the door.
4. Please sanitise your hands before entering the church.
5. Only every second row of seats to be occupied.
6. Only two people to occupy a row.
7. People from same household may all occupy one row.
8. Please maintain 2metres distancing at all times but especially when receiving Holy Communion.

9. Please follow the stewards.
10. Some sections of seating may be closed off. Please do not occupy seats in these areas.
11. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days, still applies.

If you have any symptoms of cold and flu or if you feel unwell in any way, please do not attend Mass.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

MONTHLY COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The society would like to thank all who attended Mass in St John's last weekend and contributed most generously to their collection.

Thank You.



PRAYER

TRAVELLERS BLESSING

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing, once again into our doors.

GARDENING THE SOUL

Grace is pure gift, and because of this our most meaningful encounters with it will probably come at unintended times, when we are caught off guard; when our manipulative systems are at rest or other wise occupied.

The facts of grace are simple: grace always exists it is always available, it is always good, it is always victorious. But although grace is always there, it doesn't simply happen. It is a gift we must prepare ourselves to receive, by living life in accord with the facts of grace, even when we do not sense them directly.

Sr. Stan Kennedy

Questions People Ask!

Q. What is meant by scripture and tradition? Are they different?

A. In theology, tradition means what has been handed down from Christ and the apostles in written word, spoken word, custom and practice.

Scripture is part of overall tradition. Just as the Jewish people produced the Old Testament, the Christian Church was responsible for the writing of the New Testament, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. 'Sacred tradition and Sacred Scripture form the one sacred deposit of the word of God which is committed to the Church' (*Second Vatican Council*). The Church existed before the book was written.

It's good to laugh...! Daddy dear...



One summer evening during a violent thunderstorm a mother was tucking her son into bed. She was about to turn off the light when he asked with a tremor in his voice, 'mommy will you sleep with me tonight?' The mother smiled and gave him a reassuring hug. 'I can't dear,' she said. 'I have to sleep in Daddy's room.'

A long silence was broken at last by his shaky little voice: 'The big sissy.'

Quote for the Week.

To let friendship die away by negligence and silence, is certainly not wise. It is voluntarily to throw away one of the greatest comforts of this weary pilgrimage. (Samuel Johnson)

Quip for the Week

In the game of life, if you break the rules, the rules will eventually break you.

...thought for the week

It is wise to keep in mind that no success or failure is necessarily permanent.

**When at church -
please wear a mask - thank you!**

