

St John's Church Waterford

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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 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The Gospel today links two important events; the miraculous catch of fish and the call of the first disciples of Jesus. Our celebration today is of our calling by God. The Lord's Day and its additional theme today, Catechetical Sunday, re affirms that call to share our faith and to develop it. Like many in the Scriptures we are afraid; our strength is not from ourselves but ultimately from God.

In Loving Memory



Remember in Your Prayers those who died recently -

Anniversaries this week:-

6.00pm Vigil - Saturday 5th February

Months Mind: Charlie Power

9.00am - Sunday 6th February

Pat McGrath

12 Noon - Sunday 6th February

Harry & Catherine Halligan

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

Notice Board



COVID RESTRICTIONS

We would ask you to still be mindful of social distancing when choosing your seat in the church and for your safety and the safety of others please continue to wear a face covering.

AN INVITATION

The Rosary is recited every morning at 9.10a.m prior to the 9.30a.m. Mass. You are invited to attend. All are welcome.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - is held every Monday morning during the 9.30a.m. Mass with prayer and Benediction. All are welcome.

St. John The Evangelist Charismatic Prayer Group

- We meet every Monday evening at 7.15pm in the room over the Sacristy at St. John's Church. Our meeting starts with a period of praise and worship and continues with scripture sharing and intercessory prayer. There is a strong emphasis on The Holy Spirit and the gifts of The Holy Spirit. Healing Ministry is always available.

All are welcome

"Come to me all you who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28.

For more information contact

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The monthly collection for February takes place at the church doors this weekend. Please be as generous as you can to this worthy cause.

Thank you.



...thoughts for the week

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.

THE BIBLE IN OUR EVERYDAY LIVES.

All living things grow old, like clothing.

This is the eternal law - you will die.

(Sirach 14:17)

Kindness is like a garden of blessings and charity endures forever. (Sirach 41:17)

Quote for the Week

A book is a garden, an orchard, a storehouse, a party, a company by the way, a counsellor, a multitude of counsellors. (Henry Ward Beecher)

Quip for the Week

If you could kick the person responsible for most of your troubles, you wouldn't be able to sit down for six months.

Questions People Ask!

Q. Because of a physical disability, I am in constant pain. I have been told to accept this as God's will and my vocation is to suffer. Is it wrong if I ask God to take away the suffering?

A. Jesus asked the Father to take away the cup of suffering, if possible. We also read of how Jesus answered the prayers of people healing. So, the first Christian response to suffering is to seek healing from God and through medical remedies.

However, if it happens that the suffering is unavoidable, then the Christian response is to accept the cup of suffering in union with Jesus. But it is never wrong to ask for healing.

Gardening the Soul



Acceptance of ourselves is the beginning of personal growth and transformation. In accepting ourselves, we face the fact of our own fragility and incompleteness, and it is by acknowledging that we are incomplete that we can change. Peace of mind is achieved not by filling in the gaps or correcting the flaws in our personality, but in understanding these flaws and accepting them as part of our reality.

Sr. Stan

Mother Teresa

'Loneliness and the feeling of being unwanted is the worst poverty of all.'

Cork Man's Reading of Latin

'Derdego, forte laures inaro,

Dermarent laures, demar trux.

Fulov causan hensan dux'

(Translation)

'There they go, fourth lorries in a row.

Them aren't lorries, them are trucks.

Full of cows and hens and ducks.'

'Caesar ad sum iam forti,

Brutus sed, passus sum.

(Translation)

'Caesar had some jam for tea.

Brutus said, pass us some.'

Clever Quotes

I was married by a judge. I should have asked for a jury. *(Groucho Marks)*

My wife has a slight impediment in her speech, every now and then she stops to breath. *(Jimmy Durante)*

The male is a domestic animal which if treated with firmness and kindness, can be trained to do most things. *(Jilly Cooper)*

Money can't buy you happiness but it does bring you a pleasant form of misery. *(Spike Milligan)*

Until I was thirteen I thought my name was 'shut up'. *(Joe Namath)*

At my age, flowers scare me. *(George Burns)*

Quotable Spirit - Wisdom

Wisdom is the reward you get for a lifetime of listening when you'd have preferred to talk.

ST. JOHN'S - DID YOU KNOW?

The first administrator of the twentieth century, Rev. Michael Dowley, made a fine impression on the appearance of St. John's having the whole church re-seated. Previous to his coming, the church was inadequately seated with removable forms in the side aisles. The mortuary chapel was also rebuilt and the church re-decorated. He was succeeded by Rev. Thomas Galvin in 1928. Fr. Thomas changed the church lighting from gas to electricity. As one can imagine, it must have been a very bleak place on a winter's evening being lit by gaslight only.

Love Breaks Down Barriers.

The more we love, however, the more we understand that this commandment is life-altering for everyone involved. Just as water rushing against a hardened stone eventually erodes that stone, so love in action breaks down barriers between people. It is a commandment which brings about miracles. Teach us to love as you have loved, O Lord.

Elizabeth-Anne Stewart.

Thought for the week...

If we were to weigh all the living things on earth, humans would only constitute by weight only one one-millionth of the total biomass. We are so tiny a part of what is going on here on earth (and within it). Yet do we account for only one one-millionth of the destruction?