



PARISH OF THE HOLY REDEEMER DUNDALK
 21ST JUNE 2020
 TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 A Parish in the 'Dun Dealgan' Pastoral Area



Online Mass will be available from our Church Daily At:
<https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Redeemer-Dundalk-105463891211794/>. Mass will also be available on our Facebook page.

The new guidelines for our Church re-opening on Monday 29th June for Public Mass and Devotions are as follows

1. The dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day of Obligations is extended for the time being.
2. The signs of limited seating must be adhered to, as social distancing must be observed, however a family from the same household can all sit together.
3. Signage in the Church must be followed.
4. Face masks may be worn (optional).
5. Hands must be sanitised.
6. Respiratory etiquette must be observed at all times.
7. Where possible stewards will be on hand to show you to your seat.
8. Sit only in designated areas.
9. Communion to be received on the hand.
10. One way system in coming forward to receive Holy Communion.
11. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will wear face coverings while distributing Holy Communion.
12. Sunday collections for the present will not be taken up in the normal manner. Supervised collection baskets will be placed at the Church doors while leaving the Church and we ask that you kindly place your offerings into these baskets.

**SUNDAYS GOSPEL MT 10: 26-33
 DO NOT BE AFRAID**

In today's Gospel Jesus calls on us to be His witnesses in the world-to give open witness to our faith and in doing so He gives us encouragement in the face of opposition by saying three times **Do not be afraid** and reminds us that our confidence should be in God as we **worth more than hundreds of sparrows**. But what kind of witnesses do we really make? Once it took courage of a sort not to come to Church in Ireland. But for many today it takes courage to come or to stand up openly for Christian principles and beliefs...to swim against the taunts of being out of date. But fortitude, one of the seven gifts we received from the Holy Spirit means physical courage to face pain or danger, moral courage to stand up for one's beliefs, and spiritual courage to preserve in times of darkness, dwindling numbers attending Mass and the ridicule of others. But ask yourself: How great a role does human respect play in my life? Is it more important than honouring God or my respect for God and obeying His commands? We must be in the world but not of it. When values clash, our Christian principles must decide our course of action as that will be our opportunity to give true witness to Christ. If we disown Christ by our deeds or lack of them, He has promised in our Gospel to disown us. To be a disciple or witness of Jesus then the heart of a mouse will not suffice. We need a brave heart. May the Lord give each of us a brave heart.

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT:

“Conscious of our brokenness and moved by the Spirit of Compassion, we the Holy Redeemer Parish Pastoral Council, strive to be messengers of God’s healing and love in today’s world and to encourage and support all parishioners to bear witness to the Gospel of Christ.”

Anniversary and remembrance Masses

Saturday	20th June	10.00am	Av's	1st Anniversary Aileen Nelson. Sean & Joseph Nelson.
		6.00pm	Av's	Kathleen McCabe. Annie Garland. Barlow & James McCrave.
Sunday	21st June	6.00pm	Av's	Martin McGee. Brendan McCooley.
Monday	22nd June	10.00am	Av's	Margaret Van Kalkeran. Richard & Mary Ellen Smyth.
Wednesday	24th June	10.00am	Av	Tony Smyth.
Friday	26th June	10.00am	Av	Patrick Gallagher.
Saturday	27th June	10.00am	Av	Michael Sullivan.
		6.00pm	Av	Joe Parks.
Sunday	28th June	10.00am	Av	Tom Brophy.
		11.30am	Av	Anne Agnew.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Thomas Mulholland, Ashling Park. Jack McQuillan, Ard Easmuinn. Eugene (Gene) Kelly, Clann Chullain Park. Teresa Connolly, Beechmount Drive. Declan Mc Crave, England.



Today 21st June we celebrate Father's Day: Fathers play a significant role in the lives of their children.



Traditionally fathers are attributed with some of the God-like qualities such as loving us, protecting us, guiding us, supporting us, being a strong and stable influence and providing for our most basic needs. On this occasion we pause to reflect on the gift of our own father and to honour and affirm the place of human fatherhood in our own family, our society and our world.

Prayer: God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless those fathers who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting. Bless those who have lost a spouse to death...or divorce, who are parenting their children alone. Strengthen them by your love that they may be and become the loving, caring persons they are meant to be. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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I rise today, with God's strength to direct me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eyes to look before me, God's ear to hear me. God's word to speak for me, God's hand to uphold me, God's pathway before me, God's shield to protect me, God's host to save me – from temptations, from one person or many that seek to destroy me. Amen.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LINE - PASTORAL CENTRE, DUNDALK

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the Bereavement Walk-in Service at the Pastoral Centre, Dundalk, has been unable to operate as normal over the past few months. A new telephone listening service began during the past week. Members of the Bereavement Team will be available at the following times, and on the following numbers, to support adults who are grieving the loss of a loved one:

Monday 6.30pm – 8.30pm 0894677721. Tuesday 6.30pm -- 8.30pm 089-4682919.
Thursday 6.30pm – 8.30pm 089-4677734. Friday 6.30pm – 8.30pm 089 -4677747.

CHURCH OPENING Church will remain open for solitary prayer each morning this coming week from 9.30am -12.30pm.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS POLICY STATEMENT: The parish recognises and upholds the rights of all children and vulnerable adults and is committed to ensuring their safety and wellbeing at all times. A copy of the policy is always available for those who wish to view it in the parish office or the Sacristy. The Safeguarding Children representative for Holy Redeemer Parish is Thomas Fox 042-93-34259.

