



Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church

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19th/20th June 2021

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Dear Friends,

Today's Gospel reading is a great reminder to all of us that the forces of nature – in this case a minor storm on the sea of Galilee – are well beyond our control. This would be nothing to those who sail the wide-open seas of the world, now with the best of sailing boats, emergency equipment and communication systems to call for help. But if a mast fails it challenges the bravest and the best. Yet risk is what attracts adventurers. Maybe we are too cautious in life, we do not like taking risks and do not welcome them when they come. Yet the kernel of today's Gospel seems to be that should risk arise e.g. illness, loneliness, loss of security etc. etc., then, and only then do we find out who we are and what we are made of? Jesus said, "Why are you afraid?". This image of Jesus asleep is a signal to us that he had complete trust in the Father.

Following the government's Step 3 easements of coronavirus restrictions on 17th May, all parishes have been issued with Step 3 guidance from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

We will now be implementing the following in accordance with the Step 3 guidelines:

- ✚ Maximum capacity in the church is now **140**.
- ✚ Social distancing will be **1 metre plus** in our church and hall (if the hall is being used as an overflow for Mass).
- ✚ **Masks must still be worn by people as they come forward for Communion.**
- ✚ Priests and Special Ministers are now 'permitted to announce, "The Body of Christ" for each communicant' and the response "Amen" made by the person receiving Holy Communion.
- ✚ These may appear to be small steps and are without question. However, we hope that stage 4 in July will give people confidence when it arrives. I suppose you could call this stage an examining of how restrained we can be.
- ✚ I am personally delighted that they have moved on from naming variations of the virus after a country to going to the Greek alphabet in future. So, nationals of these countries will no longer have to wonder is my country going to be blamed again, when there never was evidence that their people contributed to it.

Readings for Next Sunday

First Reading Wisdom: 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Psalm 107

Second Reading 2 Corinthians: 8:7,9,13-15

Gospel Mark 5:21-43

Reflection

There is never a wrong time of doing
GOOD, or a right time for doing WRONG.

- ✚ First Holy Communions continue today at 11am and 2pm. Please pray for the children, their parents and catechists.
- ✚ The Confirmation Retreat is due on July 3rd. Please pray for the candidates and catechists who faced the challenge of Zoom meetings and all the families involved.

✠ Warmest congratulations to Edward and Margaret Sant who give thanks this Sunday for 50 years of marriage.

And finally: I must tell you that my “home” Golf club, at Castletown-Bearhaven, Co. Cork, last weekend won the ALL IRELAND Jimmy BRUEN SHIELD in Donegal. I wish to pay special tribute to my primary school classmate Timmy Lynch who has enthused the local youngsters of the area by teaching the proper technique from a young age. CONGRATULATIONS to all.

God Bless You All,
Fr John

Mass Intentions

Sat 19 th June	6.00pm	Ella Hennessy RIP (Joan)
Sun 20 th June	8.30am	Michael & Jackie Mouat (25 th Wedding Anniversary)
	10.30am	Thanksgiving: Emin Manuel (Maxi), Edward & Margaret Sant (50 th Wedding Anniversary)
	5.30pm	Kerry Horne RIP (Gerard, Annette & Family)
Mon 21 st June	7.30pm	Eileen Cooke welfare (Bryan & Peggy Frost)
Tue 22 nd June	10.00am	Ronan McGarvey RIP (John & Mary McGee)
Wed 23 rd June	10.00am	Kathleen O’Halloran RIP (Catherine Hammond)
Thu 24 th June	10.00am	May O’Neill’s Welfare (Bryan & Peggy Frost)
Fri 25 th June	10.00am	Alice & Jim Curran RIP (Mary Reynolds)
Sat 26 th June	6.00pm	Ronald Kearney RIP (anniv.) (Mary Kearney)
Sun 27 th June	8.30am	Beatrice Eavis RIP (Ray Handysides)
	10.30am	Philomena (Ira) (Josephine & family)
	5.30pm	John Croll RIP (Anne)

Gift Aid Update

We recovered about £17,000 through Gift Aid in the previous year with the prospect of doing even better this year. ‘THANK YOU’ to all of you who use Gift Aid and an invitation to those who have not yet joined, to do so soon; just send me an email or ring me and I will welcome you to the scheme. Finally, a reminder that Annual Statements are now available to those who need one. Contact Tony Duhig if you have any questions. ✉ <mailto:giftaid@olqh.com>

Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead Shrine – Join Bishop Richard on 7th July from 10am for Mass, adoration, stations of the cross and more. To book please visit <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/wpjpxxir>.

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham – 4th September. Full day of mass, confession, adoration, picnic in the grounds or shrine restaurant. Please contact Phil McDonnell on 01276 684281.

Red Boxes - Would red box holders kindly return the boxes to the presbytery during the next couple of weeks as convenient, Thank you.

Finding Stillness: The Open Cloister at Worth Abbey – Retreat (online or in person) from August 24th to 26th, for more information go to

<http://www.worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats>

Collections for Weekend 12th/13th June 2021

Offertory Collections	£449.98
Gift Aid Collections	£31
Standing Orders (Weekly Average)	£1016
Total	£1496.98

Please pray for all those who have died recently:

Sigfrido Bonganay, Anna Cole

May they rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick at this time:

Marie Bellizzi, Maureen Bowers, Pauline Brookman, Robert Burbridge, Joe Buttaci, Vivian Charlton, Lally Clarke, Joan Cottrell, Zita Falber, Pat Farrell, Hermanthe Fernando, Leo Gibson, Kath Grant, Mary Higton, Gill Kirwin, Georgia Mackinlay, Miriam McDonnell, Helen McLachlan, Eric Miller, Maura Morris, Paul Pullen, Wilson Rabanos, Claire Raynor, Donal Reidy, Milo Reiske, Gill Shaw, Sherry Small, Ralph & Pauline Smith, Godelieve Vandersloten, Patricia Van Kuyk, Alfonsa Varghese, Lorraine Vella, Mark Wardell and all those named on the noticeboard in Our Lady’s Shrine. *May they find consolation in their suffering.*
