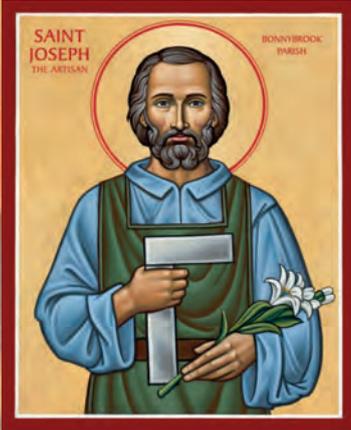


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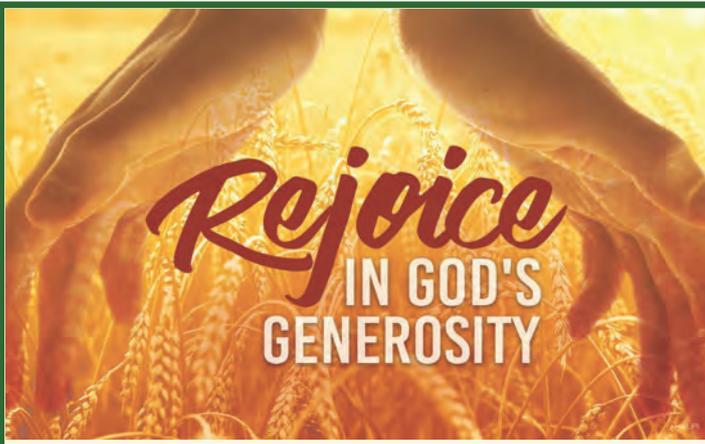
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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last." - Mt 20:16



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Are you envious because I am generous?" The landowner in today's Gospel parable surprised everyone. Contrary to standard practice, he paid all of his laborers the same wage, regardless of how many hours they had worked! Of course this was a very pleasant surprise for those who had begun their job late in the day. And, understandably, it was something of a disappointment for those who had toiled since the morning. From their perspective, they should have gotten more than the others. But in fact the landowner was not cheating anyone; he was simply being especially generous with the latecomers.

This story would have had a special meaning for the Jewish audience listening to Jesus. They, the Chosen People, were the laborers who had started at 9:00 am. They belonged to the group with a long history of worshipping the true God. Non-Jewish Gentiles, on the other hand, had appeared late in the game. Jesus was making the point that just because he would offer the same salvation and mercy to everyone, there should be no reason for the Jews to complain. They had received their promised Messiah; so what if, in God's mercy, he allowed others who had not waited so long to be saved as well? Divine generosity is not meant to be a cause for jealousy.

Now, we may feel removed from the concerns of those Jews. But the basic lesson remains relevant: that we ought to appreciate God's generosity, even when it reaches to those whom we may not expect God to forgive. Those who have long been faithful, for example, might think they deserve more benefits than sinners who repent late in life. But instead, we should all rejoice to see God's mercy extended to EVERYONE, no matter when they joined the fold.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Sat Evening: 7pm Mark, Robert & Andrew Bergin (A), Brigid Scanlon (M.M.) also remember her husband Michael & son Stephen,

Sun: 9.30am Patrick Killeen (A), Ann Carroll (A)

Sun: 11.30am Patrick Devine & grandson Paul (A), Marie Kennedy (A), John Rigney (M.M. & B.R.),

Mon: 9.30 am Mass of Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart

Tues: 9.30am

Wed: 9.30am

Thurs: 9.30am

Fri: 9.30am

With Heartfelt Sympathy



To the family of the late
Ellen Gilligan R.I.P.

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Mass Times

Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm
Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday - Friday: 9.30am
Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS

Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm
Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm



COLLECTIONS FOR 17TH SEPT 2017

COMMON FUND € 470

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Foundational Leadership Programme for Young Adults: The Foundational Leadership Programme for Young Adults is now enrolling new participants. In order to create, develop and sustain parish youth ministry we need to develop and nurture a new generation of leaders. This course is dynamic, practical and enables participants to begin to develop their skills as leaders and role models within their local faith based communities. The Foundational Leadership Programme is run in ecumenical partnership with the Church of Ireland in Dublin and the Irish Province of the Capuchin Franciscans. If you are interested in knowing more about the course starting in October <http://www.evangelisation.ie/2017/09/01/foundational-leadership-for-young-adults-enroll-now/> or email evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie



FREE CONCERT: SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER 7PM

Raheny Folk Group is delighted to welcome mixed-voice choir Dolce to perform in a joint concert in the Church of our Lady, Mother of Divine Grace on Sunday 1st October at 7pm.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK takes place during October, and it is well documented that singing is excellent for mental health. All are welcome to come and celebrate the joy of singing with the two groups. Admission is free.

MASS FOR OPENING OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

Archbishop Martin will celebrate Mass for the opening of the Academic Year Monday, 25th September at 7.30pm in Church of Our Lady Seat of Wisdom, DCU/St. Patrick's Campus - "Catholic Education is one of the most important challenges for the Church" Pope Francis. Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

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Meetings for the different Groups in our Parish.

Please Note the following dates for meetings have been arranged.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST.

Monday, 2nd October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Tuesday, 3rd October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

BAPTISM TEAM

Thursday, 5th October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

FUNERAL TEAM & BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP

Monday, 9th October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?

ANSWER:

St. Jerome (345-420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was, as well as the time in which he lived. Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus' (366-384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in quality.

Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times. Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

INSPIRATION

True love does not measure itself against the love of others. If I am truly in love with God there is no need to compare myself with others or succumb to jealousy if others appear closer than I or because I have loved longer. Authentic love does not consider benefits or privileges. It simply desires to be in the presence of the One who is loved. God invites all of his children into a relationship with him. It does not matter when along our life's journey we accept that invitation. It is only important that we do. In our Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard promised the usual daily wage to everyone, regardless of what time each started working. God promises love and eternal life to all who enter into relationship with him. It does not matter when. This is God's pure merciful gift. It is God's to give as God desires.

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