

4. Our Parish Sunday 21st June 2020

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

'DO NOT BE AFRAID'

Jesus is preparing his disciples for what lay ahead. He urges them to have courage in speaking and living his message, drawing strength from their trust in the Father whose care for us exceeds his care for hundreds of sparrows. For Jesus the important thing is to be true to one's real self, even if this does involve some material or physical loss or pain. There is no such thing as secret discipleship. It is in declaring their allegiance to Jesus that his followers will find life. They will be the losers if they hide their discipleship.

POPE FRANCIS - "The testimony of faith comes in very many forms, just as in a great fresco, there is a variety of colours and shades, yet they are all important, even those which do not stand out. In God's great plan, every detail is important, even the hidden witness of those who live their faith with simplicity in everyday family relationships, work, friendships. Let us all remember this: one cannot proclaim the Gospel of Jesus without the tangible witness of one's life. Those who listen to us and observe us must be able to see in our actions what they hear from our lips, and so give glory to God!"

FAMILY OFFERING BOXES OF ENVELOPES - July 2020 to June 2021

New boxes of envelopes are now ready for collection in the Parish Office. If you are able to drop in to collect your box or if you can deliver a few to your neighbours, we would be very grateful. Thank you so much to all who have continued to drop in their Family Offering envelopes during the last few months.

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**FOR EMERGENCIES PLEASE
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IMPORTANT MEETING

All volunteers willing to help with the reopening of the church are asked to attend a meeting in the Church at 7p.m. Monday 22nd June- All help welcome

Thank You

Our Lady Help of Christians, Navan Road Parish, Dublin 7



Our Parish

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time 21st June 2020

WE ARE PREPARING TO RESUME PUBLIC MASSES

The time is coming near when it will be possible for you to participate again in public masses. You will be no longer dependent on the webcam or the parish radio, which together with being able to link-in to facebook were a great facility to have during the lockdown. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who enabled our means of communication to continue...the parish newsletter, the website and facebook.

However, there is no substitute for being physically present at the Eucharistic Celebration. The government has announced that public liturgies can resume on Monday, 29th June. Please God, all will go smoothly between now and then.

Our church is a very big building and can, in normal circumstances, accommodate 1200 people. However, with 2m social distancing we can accommodate only 96 people. The logistics of this are going to be quite complicated at the vigil mass on Saturday evening and the morning masses on Sunday morning. We are preparing a plan at the moment. When we are ready, with everything on paper, a leaflet will be delivered to every house in the parish. This will explain everything and will tell you what to expect if you come to mass on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning.

TO ENABLE EVERYTHING TO GO SMOOTHLY AT MASSES, WE WILL NEED THE HELP OF VOLUNTEERS TO ACT AS USHERS AND TO PREPARE THE CHURCH FOR THE NEXT MASS.

PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU ARE WILLING TO TAKE ON THIS ROLE. YOU CAN CONTACT US BY PHONE 018380265 OR EMAIL: info@navanroadparish.com. DROP IN TO THE PARISH OFFICE OR BY TELLING ANY OF THE PRIESTS. THIS IS URGENT AS THE EXPECTED DATE FOR REOPENING THE CHURCHES HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORWARD. PLEASE GET IN TOUCH IMMEDIATELY.

Thank You Fr. John

PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

You can pray before the Blessed Sacrament without visiting the Church. You can conduct a Holy Hour. You can be on your own. You can be in your own home. If you have access to the webcam: www.churchservices.tv/navanroad; you can see the Tabernacle in the Sanctuary of our Church at any time of the day or night, the Sanctuary lights are permanently lighting. Following on from last week, here are the next few prayers. They are available on the Parish Website also.

As we worship the Lord in the Eucharist, let us ask for the fullness of grace which this great Sacrament contains:

Lord Jesus, you said: 'Anyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him'. As we receive you in Holy Communion, change us into your likeness. Help us to live with your life, that we may see everything with your eyes, think about everything with your mind, and do everything as you want us to do it. Grant that through this Sacrament of love, which is the sign of unity and the bond of charity we may be drawn day by day into ever closer union with you and with one another, so that people may see in us the model of Christian living.

INTERCESSIONS

Lord Jesus, strengthen our faith in your Real Presence in this Sacrament, so that in the burdens of life we may find refreshment in your presence.

Response: May your Body and Blood be our life and our strength.

Lord, strengthen our faith in the Holy Sacrifice or the Mass, Memorial of the Last Supper and Renewal of the Sacrifice of Calvary. **Response:**

Lord, help us to make real in our lives the offering of ourselves which we make in the Mass. **Response:**

Lord Jesus, you are the Bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Grant that, nourished by your Body and Blood, we may have the power to make you present in our lives. **Response:**

SILENT PRAYER

PSALM :22 "The Lord is My Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRAYER

The Church is open for private prayer daily from 10.a.m. to 4.p.m. Please observe a social distance of two metres & use the hand sanitiser in the porch on entering & leaving the Church. Newsletters, Sunday Mass leaflets, Mass Collection envelopes & Easter Dues Envelopes & LOOK SHEETS (for Children) are available from the back of the Church.

Mass will take place behind closed doors, 9a.m. daily & 6.30p.m. Sat. broadcast on the parish radio & on our webcam:
www.churchservices.tv/navanroad

Private Funeral services are continuing to take place in the Church but will not be announced publicly.

The Parish Centre & The Parish /School Hall remain closed until further notice.

The Parish Office is open: Only one person will be allowed to enter at any one time.

Reading References: 28th June :13th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 2Kg 4:8-11,14-16. Ps 88:2-3,16-19, R/ v 2. Rm 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

"Those who do not take up their cross and follow in my steps are not fit to be my disciples. Those who try to gain their own life will lose it; but those who lose their life for my sake will gain it"

MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 21st June
9.00 a.m.**

Angela Egan R.I.P. (A)
Mass broadcast through our Parish Radio and Webcam

Click on the link below for the Mass text for the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/readings/?feature=sunday>

DONATION OPTIONS

1st Collection donations, Family Offering & Easter Dues envelopes can be dropped into the Parish Office or the Sacristy letterboxes or 211 Navan Road at any time. We now also have the facility to donate to any of these collections securely online through 'Easy payments Plus' Click on the **DONATE** button on our website www.navanroadparish.com.

There is also an option to pay for Signed Mass cards online as we have had many requests for Mass Cards. Email the Parish Office: info@navanroadparish.com or **Ph: 018380265** with your details, the name for the intention & type of card you require. We will post the card(s) to you. **Thank You**

PRAYER TO OUR LADY Immaculate Heart of Mary 20 June

Take my hand O Blessed Mother,
 Hold me firmly lest I fall.
 I am nervous when I'm walking
 And on thee I humbly call.
 Guide me over every crossing
 Watch me when I'm on the stairs,
 Let me know that you're here beside me.
 Listen to my fervent prayer.

Bring me to my destination safely every single day.
 Help me with each undertaking as the hours pass away.
 And when evening falls upon us and I fear to be alone,
 Take my hand O Blessed Mother
 And once again guide me home. **AMEN**