

**20<sup>th</sup> June 2021: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**



**WHY ARE WE SO FRIGHTENED?**

**F**ear plays too large a part in our lives. Love casts out fear, and God's love endures for ever. Fear may be due to a lack of faith that God really cares for us. Christ may seem to be asleep, but he is with us always, and has the power to calm even the stormiest troubles of our lives.

Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.

**Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days**

Sat 19	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i> 18:30 <b>Owen &amp; Susan Meegan RIP</b>
Sun 20	<b>✠ Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</b> <i>Father's Day</i> 09.30 <b>Gregario Vatrella RIP</b> 11.00 <b>Thanksgiving for Minna's successful operation</b>
Mon 21	<i>Saint Aloysius Gonzaga</i> 09.30 <b>Souls in Purgatory Rosary</b>
Tue 22	<i>Saints John Fisher and Thomas More</i> 09.30 <b>Sr Agnes O'Shea RIP Rosary</b>
Wed 23	09.30 <b>Wellbeing for Vincent Richards &amp; family Rosary</b>
Thu 24	<b>THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN † THE BAPTIST</b> 09:30 <b>Mary Bowden RIP Rosary</b>
Fri 25	09.30 <b>Margaret &amp; Patrick Matthias RIP Exposition</b>
Sat 26	09.30 <b>People of the Parish</b> 18:30 <i>First Mass of Sunday</i> <b>Renato Baclagan RIP</b>
Sun 27	<b>✠ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</b> 09.30 <b>Intention of Rosaria Casalenuovo</b> 11.00 <b>Eileen Sharpe RIP</b>

**Something to think and pray about each day of the week**

Thursday 24 June: Feast of the Nativity of John the Baptist

There was something special about John the Baptist. The gospel reading suggests that his being given the name 'John' was itself special or unusual. Neighbours and relations objected to this name. 'No one in your family has that name', they said. Yet John's parents understood that God wanted their child to be called 'John'. In Hebrew the name 'John' means 'the Lord has shown favour'. God was inaugurating a new era of favour through this child. After the resistance of the neighbours and relations to this unconventional name had been overcome, they went on to ask, 'What will this child turn out to be?' That question of the neighbours and relations could be asked of any of us at every stage of our lives. 'What will we turn out to be?', or to put the question in other terms, 'Who is God calling us to be?' Our calling is to surrender to what today's second reading calls God's 'whole purpose' for our lives, as John did. God's purpose for John's life and God's purpose for all our lives have a great deal in common. God wants all of us to do what John did, to point out the Saviour, to make way for Jesus, to lead others to him by what we say and do. John the Baptist has something to teach us about how we might keep faithful to this God-given calling. He was a man of the desert, a man of prayer. We all need to find our own desert place of prayer if we are to remain true to our calling, if we are to turn out as God wants us to. **(Sacredspace)**

**Confirmation Programme**

Thursday 24 June at 8pm Celebration of Confirmation

**First Holy Communion**

We intend to start the programme to prepare our children for First Holy Communion in September. So far 18 parents have applied for their children to join this programme. Our big challenge is that we do not have catechists to run this programme. I am therefore appealing for catechists to help us on this programme.

The teaching takes place on Sunday morning before the 11.00am mass. Any one willing to assist should contact Fr Regis.

**OLSPN Mother, Toddler & Carer Group**

The OLSPN Toddler group are have a Closing Down Sale on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th June, from 1-4 pm.

**Repository**

Confirmation Cards & Gifts are available in the repository which is open Sunday mornings at 11am.

**The Agency for Evangelisation & Catechesis team**

The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis is developing a model of parish support called Some Definite Service and is looking for people who might be willing to volunteer as Deanery Mentors! This is an exciting opportunity to serve the Church and your fellow parishioners. As you serve, you will also receive formation, training, be accompanied and invested in. Email: [aec.rcaos.org.uk/sds](mailto:aec.rcaos.org.uk/sds).

**LAST WEEK**

**Offertory** Gift Aided £131 • Not Gift Aided £303  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection** Pew Kneelers £234  
**Mass Count** Sat 18:30 (44) • Sun 09.30 (105), 11.00 (90)

**THIS WEEK**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection** Day for Life

**DONATING**

**Gift Aid** Tax payers, please sign up. We receive an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. Visit [www.olspn.church](http://www.olspn.church) for details.

**Tap to Donate** Payment Machine in Church Foyer or [www.olspn.church](http://www.olspn.church)

**Standing Order** Please contact the parish house for details.

**Cheques** Payable to **RCAS St. Philip Neri Sydenham**

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has announced. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## FIRST READING – Job 38: 1, 8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said:

Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 106

R. **O give thanks to the Lord,  
for his love endures for ever.**

## SECOND READING – 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ

enlighten the eyes of our mind,

so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL - Mark 4: 35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

The Gospel of the Lord

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.