

Mass Times

Vigil Saturday: 6pm
Sundays: 9 am & 11 am
Working Holy Days: 10 am & 7.30 pm
Monday to Saturday: 10 am
Fr Colin Doocey Adm. Pro Tem



Recently Deceased

Michael P Galvin, Upper Beaumont Drive
May the light of heaven surround him always.



Baptisms

Robyn Elizabeth Cassidy-Cullinane.
We welcome her into the Christian Family



BLACKROCK VINCENT DE PAUL
Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September
We have had no income since March so be as generous as you can. Thank you

SECOND COLLECTION W/E. 12th/13th SEPTEMBER.

The annual collection for the HOLY PLACES was not taken up in Churches on Good Friday this year due to the closure of Churches at the time. Pope Francis has approved that this collection should now be taken up on Week-end 12th/13th September this year.

Charity Cycle for Homeless Young People

Each year, I undertake a charity cycle for Peter McVerry, the **Wexford Cycle:** Dublin to Wexford, 140km. This year, because of Covid, the general cycle has been suspended, but a reduced number will do the cycle in September. Charities are under tremendous pressure, on account of Covid 19, so if you'd like to make a contribution, here is the link: www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/11383931_wexford2020kieran. There's also a link on my own website: www.tarsus.ie/page/. If you prefer, you could always send a cheque made out to Peter McVerry to my home address: St John's Priory, Thomas Street, Dublin D08 F8NW or any member of the Parish Assembly. Thanks for all the support. *Kieran OSA*

BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Under the current Covid circumstances, Fr. Colin has generously offered the poor box near the exit as a collection point for SVP. If you wish to contribute any time, it would be appreciated. Thank you.

Coronavirus
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Public Health
Advice

Stay safe.
Protect each other.

Welcome to the celebration of Sunday Mass

To maximise the number of people that can join us for the celebration of Mass, we have made a number of changes to both the church, and to how we celebrate Mass, so that we comply with HSE guidelines and keep everyone safe.

- We have designated the back and front as two separate sections which has allowed us increase the numbers in the church to 100. It is **critical** that people do not move between these 2 sections.
- As you enter and exit the church, can you please use the hand sanitiser and wear a mask if possible.
- We have reduced the number of pews in the church so that there is now a metre between each row with every second row being utilised. We have placed **yellow spots** to highlight where people should sit.
- These are spaced a minimum of 2 metres apart and it is required you sit on these spots.
- Unfortunately, if there are no yellow spots available, it indicates that the church has reached the maximum allowed capacity.
- We will continue to stand for the "Gospel" and "Our Father". We ask that you **do not kneel-down** at anytime as it compromises the distance between people.
- We also ask that the congregation not to join in the singing, as it facilitates the spreading of droplets.
- There will be no sign of peace.
- The collection will be taken at the doors as you enter/exit the church and your support is very much appreciated.

Distribution of communion:

- Ministers of the Eucharist will be positioned at the top and centre of the church. The Ministers will wear face masks and we ask that you maintain 2 metres distance in the line.
 - We ask that you come up the centre aisle and down the side aisles.
 - Those seated in the centre seats should come for communion first (via the centre aisle) starting from the back row and then in sequence with the top row last.
 - Once the centre seats are finished, those in the side seats should come up (via the centre aisle), **starting with the front rows** and then in sequence, with the bottom row last.
- Exiting the church:**
- Back Section:**
 - Side seats to Exit first – followed by centre seats.
 - 2 doors will be open.
 - Front section** – use side door - Exit as follows:
 - Left Row (nearest exit)
 - Left Centre
 - Right Centre
 - Right Row.
- Many thanks for your help and we hope you all keep well.*

When you use the newsletter, please take it home with you.
DO NOT RETURN IT TO THE TABLE

We would ask parishioners to be good enough to switch off mobile phones during Mass.
Thank you



Some Thoughts...

- At the time Matthew was writing his gospel, local church communities would have numbered no more than fifty people. They would be known to one another. Matthew presents the instructions of Jesus for dealing with people whose behaviour disrupted and harmed the community. Note the steps suggested. Simple directions but many of us do otherwise. We avoid difficult confrontations. We talk about the faults of others to everyone but themselves. We go over the head of someone who displeases us and make complaints. In your experience, which approach is life-giving for you and for others?
- While Jesus is referring to a group situation, the advice can be applied also to personal difficulties and problems with others. What lessons has life taught you about constructive ways of dealing with conflict?
- Jesus also recognises that there are limits to what we can do in resolving conflicts. We may reach out, but if the other person does not respond the matter is out of our control. Let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector suggests having nothing more to do with that person. But that is not the last word because Gentiles and tax collectors were precisely the kind of people to whom Jesus reached out. So while for the moment we may have nothing more to do with a person who has hurt us, we leave the door open for the future.
- As individuals and communities we have the power to bind and to loose, to exclude people from relationship, or to open up and include others in relationship. When have you found it important to acknowledge this power in your own life?
- There is great assurance in the promise of Jesus in v. 19, but he seems to promise more than we experience. What has been your experience of praying with others for something you wanted God to grant?
- Jesus also promises to be with his followers when they gather together. What does that mean to you? How have you experienced the presence of Jesus in his followers gathered together?

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY...

Irish Catholic: (1) With restrictions ongoing, many parishes are in deep financial trouble (2) Despite the challenges, rumours of the Church's demise are greatly exaggerated, Ireland's new and youngest bishop, Paul Dempsey, tells Michael Kelly. (3) Brendan O'Regan's TVRadio: Mercy just one of the virtues being cancelled.

Catholic Herald. (1). Where do choirs go from here? (2). Ennio Morricone - His musical voice was influenced by the natural lines and free rhythmic form of Gregorian chant (3) US Presidential Election. -- Both supporters and critics put Biden in the middle ground. But is he?

Catholic Voice: (1). True Compassion - Whose life matters? (2). Lives of the Saints. - St. Bonaventure.

Universe/Catholic Times: (1). Bro. Colm O'Connell, Godfather of Kenyan running, is teaching life lessons during Covid. (2) Sunday Worship. - Love your neighbour as yourself. (3). Leon Spence: Chadwick was the real-life superhero our world needed.

Keep in touch with the Church by buying and reading a Catholic publication weekly.

Thought for the day

Our Gospel reading today has some harsh dimensions and most likely it reflects not the teaching of Jesus directly but the practices in the church for which Matthew was writing. People who refuse to acknowledge their failures are to be treated as pagans and tax collectors! But just how are pagans and tax collectors treated by Jesus and in the Gospel of Matthew? They are welcomed and forgiven! Any permanent exclusion is to be resisted on the example and teaching of Jesus himself.

Prayer
We believe your word to us that where two or three are gathered in your name you are in our midst. Help us to recognise you in all our brothers and sisters, whatever their failures or sins. Help us to

Some Reflection....

It cannot be said too frequently that no single Bible passage ever says all that needs to be said on a particular topic. Matthew himself is very aware of this as we shall see further on. In these chapters on community life, he takes up the topics of order, conflict and forgiveness within the church. Such topics are never really out of date because conflict is always present, forgiveness is always needed and guidelines/procedures of some sort are always required.

In today's Gospel, we see in embryonic form a process for dealing with a situation where the actions of a brother or sister fall short of what is expected. The three-fold process is briskly told, profiling the "system" somewhat. Such procedural clarity should be set alongside the Gospel for the following Sunday: the parable of the unforgiving steward. In good Jewish fashion, Matthew simply juxtaposes the two passages — over to you, so to speak. Go figure. *K O'Mahony OSA*

DATES FOR PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CEREMONIES:

Scoil Ursula.	19/09/2020.
Beaumont Boys School.	26/09/2020.
Beaumont Girls School.	03/10/2020.

Ceremonies will be held at 10.00am each day.

DATES FOR PARISH CONFIRMATION CEREMONIES:

Beaumont Girls School.	19/09/2020.
Scoil Ursula.	26/09/2020.
Beaumont Boys School.	10/10/2020.

Ceremonies will be held at 12.00 Noon each day.

