

NEWS AND VIEWS

Day for Life (marked this weekend): This day, inaugurated by Pope St. John Paul II, presents an opportunity to pray for the gift of life from conception to natural death, to raise awareness of the precious gift of life, and to support the work of protecting life in its most vulnerable stages through the annual collection. This assists pro-life organisations who raise awareness, engage in parliamentary work and pastoral outreach. The fragility of life and the reality of death has been brought into sharp focus during the Covid-19 pandemic. Yet in the face of such suffering and death, we have also witnessed the extraordinary dedication of healthcare professionals and their loving care for the sick and dying. Against this backdrop of loving care, we are now faced with the very real threat of the legalisation of 'assisted suicide' in our country. It is not a question of 'if' this challenge will come, it is now a question of 'when?' There is now a Private Members Bill in the House of Lords on so-called 'Assisted Dying' and it is only a matter of time before the issue is back in the House of Commons. This year's theme for 'Day for Life' focuses on assisted suicide and the respect owed to life. The online resources are produced to inform Catholics about this threat to life and to share with people our response to such a threat: a true compassion as the just response to the immense value of the human person. Visit the Day for Life website: <https://www.dayforlife.org/>. In 2020, we were unable to hold our annual 'Day for Life' collection due to the pandemic, funds are very much depleted and the threats to life have never been greater. It is difficult to take another second collection at this time, but the funds are important to support charities and projects which protect the good of life. **We shall take the Day for Life collection in weekend of 10/11 July.**

Thank you and Farewell Seminarian Precious: We will collect back all the appreciation envelopes next Sunday. Please continue to keep him in your thoughts and prayers as he continues with his seminary studies.

Apply for settled status as soon as possible: The deadline for applying is June 30. The Government requires European citizens who have made their homes in the UK to make an application or risk losing their fundamental rights to live and work here. Everyone including children needs to go through the process. Details and links to the application process can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/>

June Diary
Sunday 27th @ 3pm: **Parish First Holy Communion Ceremony**

settled-status-eu-citizens-families Info on assistance is available at: www.gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. Irish Citizens are exempted from this process.

Important Note for our Diaries: On 15th of Sept (Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows), at 7pm, the Auxiliary Bishop Nicholas Hudson will be celebrating a Mass in our Church for the unveiling of the highly valued painting of Our Lady of Sorrows that was donated to our Church by the renowned English artist Alexander Talbot-Rice. All should please endeavour to be present at the Mass

Parish First Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday 27th June at 3pm. We have 20 candidates. Please pray for them. Their rehearsal and confession will be next Saturday 26th at 10am.

Endorsement/Signing of Documents: The Parish Priest is happy to endorse/sign documents at no cost for **IDENTIFIABLE PARISHIONERS ONLY**. Please encourage non-parishioners to please see an attorney or their GP.

100 Club: subscriptions for the July draw are due in at church by the weekend of 26/27 June or at the presbytery by Wednesday 30 June. The draw takes place after the Zoom parish quiz on Friday 2 July. New members welcome!

Live-streamed Masses via ZOOM/Facebook on Weekdays at 7pm: . It is also very easy to join the Mass through Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/ArchwayParish/>. God bless you as you join us. The Mass will be quiet, prayerful and in 25 minutes. **Zoom link for weekday evening Masses @ 7pm GMT beginning Monday 8th March**, is below; <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85921527142?pwd=L05jUHk4QWovWVQzSVpkNkZ3SGl3dz09> Meeting ID: **859 2152 7142** Passcode: **071411**

Christian Stewardship: (13th June 2021)
Envelopes: £214 Loose: £308.34. We also receive £520 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.

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EVENING BOAT STERN REBUKED **CROSS GALE HEAD FRIGHTENED** **CROWD WAVES CUSHION FAITH**



We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



Three guys checked into the hotel. Their room was on the 45th floor and the administrator warned them that the lift works just till 12 midnight. They left all bags at the room and went to the restaurant. When they arrived, the elevator was no longer working and they had to walk by foot. To make it less boring, they decided to tell some jokes, scary stories and sing some songs. First man told some very good jokes. The second one sang beautiful songs. Till now, they have passed 35 floors. It's time for the 3rd man to tell some scary stories. And he began: "Get ready to hear the scariest thing that you ever heard. We forgot our keys at the reception"



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+ 12th Sunday In Ordinary Time Year B
20th June 2021



We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

You ain't gonna sink when God is in your boat

That the four Gospels have versions of the story of the stilling of the storm which we read in today's Gospel underscores its significance. Jesus in a boat with his disciples sailing precariously through a stormy and turbulent sea is a powerful metaphor for the Church (the followers of Jesus) in her journey through time. The turbulent storm easily reflects the worldly and spiritual forces hostile to the kingdom of God that pound the Church from all sides. While the disciples were terrified and thought their boat was going down, Jesus slept through it all, unperturbed. The whole Church is falling apart and Jesus sleeps? The point, however, is that God is calmly present even in the midst of the greatest storms. One can either live in that space with Him and put up with the storms, or in the chaotic space of the panicky disciples. The world we inhabit also goes through upheavals; wars and threats of wars, terrorism, economic and environmental instabilities. We can also find our individual lives surrounded by chaos; sickness, loss of life and property, loved ones on drugs, family break up, business collapses, loss of jobs, etc. Like the disciples, we could come perilously close to being overwhelmed. And it can seem as though God doesn't care; He's off taking a nap even as we are assaulted from every side. The disciples who couldn't understand how Jesus could be so calm at such perilous time woke him up: "Master, do you not care? We are going down!" He rebukes the wind and speaks to the sea: "Quiet now! Be calm!" And all was perfectly calm again. He then questioned their faith: "Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" Faith here means far more than acceptance of doctrines. It simply means trust. Our fear comes from a lack of trust in God. Yes, we might not understand the ways of God but our faith calls us to trust. That's the lesson from Job in the First Reading who endured storms of incomparable ferocity; he lost his home, livelihood, family and health in one terrible fell swoop. He questioned yet he trusted. That, too, was the lesson from Jesus himself who, on the cross, emptied of every human and divine consolation, questioned but ultimately surrendered in trust to God whom he could not at that moment feel but only trust. God will never put us in a situation that is truly hopeless. The storms only overwhelm us if we rely on ourselves; our resources will prove inadequate. Jesus had once said: "I am the vine and you are the branches... apart from me you can do nothing."

Mass Times & Intentions **20th – 26th June 2021**

Sat 19th Vigil Mass 6:30pm Mary Slattery, Pat Fitzgerald (RIP), Michael & Agnes Heneghan (ANN)
Sun 20th 9:00am: Eileen Cox, Luisa Zanelli (RIP), Jean Willis (ANN), Ann Waldron, Kathleen Panayiotou (INT)
11:30am: Pat Sprat, Paddy Ruddy (RIP), James McDaid (ANN), Fr Kevin, Joyve McDaid, Thanksgiving, Sarah-Lee Wilson, Evette Parnell, Babas Kavanagh (INT)
6:30pm: Udoh family, Tunu & Phil, Uche & Ekanem, Ushang & Larry, Essien-Oku family (INT)
Mon 21st St. Aloysius Gonzaga 9:30am: Bobby Sewell (ANN) Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
Tue 22nd Sts John Fisher & Thomas More 9:30am: David Pollard, Peter Lewis (ANN), Jeremy Platten, Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
Wed 23rd St. Etheldreda 9:30am: Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
Thur 24th The Nativity of St. John the Baptist 9:30am: Kathleen Panayiotou (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
Fri 25th 9:30am: Pietro Piroli, Carlo Avanzi (RIP), Russell family (INT) **7:00pm: (Online)**
Sat 26th 9:30am: Kathleen Panayiotou (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Anne Quinlan, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Diane Sewell, Geraldine McKeane, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Special intention, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Paani Dias, Tony Glackin, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit
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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat. 11.30am & 6pm, **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary:** Sun. 10.30am, **Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction:** First Fridays (New time) 9.30am – 10.45pm. **Legion of Mary:** First Wed. 6.30pm, **Monday Prayer Group:** 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm
Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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

OPENING PRAYER

Grant, O Lord, that we may always revere and love your holy name, for you never deprive of your guidance those you set firm on the foundation of your love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 106)

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

Some sailed to the sea in ships
To trade on the mighty waters.
These men have seen the Lord's deeds,
The wonders he does in the deep.

For he spoke; he summoned the gale.
Tossing the waves of the sea
Up to heaven and back into the deep;
Their soul melted away in their distress.

Then they cried to the Lord in their need
And he rescued them from their distress
He stilled the storm to a whisper:
All the waves of the sea were hushed.

They rejoiced because of the calm
And he led them to the haven they desired.
Let them thank the Lord for his love,
The wonders he does for men. R.

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.

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

R. 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.
R. 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.'
R.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation and praise and grant that, cleansed by its action, we may make offering of a heart pleasing to you. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed and nourished by the Sacred Body and Precious Blood of your Son, we ask of your mercy, O Lord, that what we celebrate with constant devotion may be our sure pledge of redemption. Through Christ our Lord

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Bridget O'Dea
Rachel McGonigal
Mark Renner
Tracey Shevlin

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers/Bernie S
Precious Ohiambe / Ann Waldron/ Essien E-Oku
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Precious Ohiambe/Joseph Ogbonna

FEAST OF THE WEEK



St Aloysius Gonzaga
21st June

Aloysius de Gonzaga, born in 1568, was the first-born son of an Italian aristocrat, expected to become a soldier. His military training started at an early age, but he also received an education in languages and the arts. Ill health dogged him from a young age and while he was ill, he read about the lives of the saints and, eventually, despite much opposition from his family, he entered the order of the Society of Jesus. In 1591, a plague broke out in Rome and, though eager to work with the plague victims his constitution could not bear it and he was forbidden by his Superiors to return to the hospital founded by the Jesuits. Eventually he was allowed to work at a hospital where those with contagious diseases were not admitted. However, he became unwell after contact with a plague victim there and died, after another vision with the Archangel Gabriel, who told him he would die on the octave of the Feast of Corpus Christi, 21 June 1591.

THE 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, the almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, the 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.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Key Notes:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Percy Aggett (Temporary) 02077989350 Email: tollingtonparksg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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Parish Security Reps: Maurice Richards 07904021798 and Essien Ekpenyong-Oku 07305608832