



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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Mass Times

Sunday	10.00
Monday	07:30
Tuesday	07:30
Wednesday	09.00
Thursday	07:30
Friday	09.00
Saturday (vigil)	18.00

Jim, here I am, it's Jesus.

There is a story about a man called Jim. Jim would go to church every day at noon for just a few minutes, and then he would leave. The sacristan was very curious about Jim's daily routine, and one day he stopped him to ask: "Why do you come here every day?" "I come to pray" Jim answered. "That is impossible, what prayer can you say in two minutes?" "I am an old, ignorant man. I pray to God in my own way." "But what do you say?" I say: "*Jesus, here I am, it's Jim.* And then I leave."

After some years, Jim became ill and had to go to the hospital. When it seemed that Jim was dying a priest was called. The priest was touched by the joy on Jim's face and asked: "Jim, why are you so happy?" "Well, aren't you happy when you receive a visitor?" asked Jim. "Of course, but we have never seen anyone come to visit you." "When I came here, I asked for two chairs. One was for you father, and one was reserved for my guest." "But what guest", the priest asked. "I used to go to church to visit Jesus every day at noon. But when I couldn't do that anymore, Jesus came here." "Jesus comes to visit you? What does he say?" "He says: *Jim, here I am, it's Jesus.*"

Every time we come together to celebrate the Eucharist, Jesus comes to visit us. Sometimes we have had a good week, sometimes we have had a bad week. But each time when we receive Communion, Jesus comes, he gives himself and says: *Jim, here I am, it's Jesus, for you. Mary, here I am, it's Jesus, for you. Patsy, here I am, it's Jesus, for you....*



Mass Intentions

Sat 05: Margaret O'Gorman
Sun 06: Joyce Dunn
Mon 07: Parishioners
Tue 08: Alwyn Noon
Wed 09: Maria Osbaldeston
Thu 10: Kenny & Floyd Alcock
Fri 11: Tony Santamera
Sat 12: Mary Crane
Sun 13 : May Thomas

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Synod Prayer

On this great feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ we Renew our gratitude for this precious gift.

In our celebrations of this Holy Sacrament we are the witnesses of the self-giving love of God revealed in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

The presence of Christ within us is renewed and we become more deeply the members of the Body of Christ alive and at work in our world.

Our Synod is just two weeks away now.

Once again we ask for God to bless the work of the Synod.

We are the Body of Christ.

Through the work of the Synod may our Church reflect more faithfully the beauty and mercy of Christ in all that we do in His name.

Merciful Father,

We humbly thank you for the love you have revealed in the precious gift of the Body and Blood of your Son.

May our Synod be an instrument in your hands.

As you have fed us

so may we work to feed our hungry brothers and sisters.

As you have blessed us

so may you make us a blessing to the people you call us to serve.

You have shown us your great mercy, help us to bring your forgiveness and love into the world today.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Parish Notice Board

Offerings on 30th May

Envelopes £65.00
Plate £140.18
Communication Sunday £10.00
Many thanks

Lottery Results

For Draw on 30th May
🎱🎱 02 03 04 08 09 12 🎱🎱
LUCKY WINNER WON £700



The Guild Room

Since the announcement last week that the room is now ready for use, we have received a number of offers and gifts in kind to help with the furnishing. **Many thanks to those kind people who donated!**

We could do with one or two soft chairs and/or a sofa to make a "comfortable area" too.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Friday 11.00 – 13.00

Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Friday 11 June
Mass at **9am.**

NEWS FROM OUR Missionaries of Africa Brothers and Sisters in Goma, The Democratic Republic of Congo, where the volcano has erupted, destroying many parts of the city. It is dated 27.05.2021

My dear Brothers,
hello from Bunia where I am stranded following the May 22 volcanic eruption in Goma. This misfortune is happening to us in this province of North Kivu, which has also been under siege since May 6 to try to stem the armed groups that sow death, violence, rape, looting.. So from May 27 , several areas of Goma have been evacuated, threatened by the active volcano of Nyiragongo.

All our colleagues and students left Goma for Bukavu via Rwanda, except provincial assistant Dennis who stayed to follow the evolution of the situation from the foster home and our colleagues of Katoy parish who stayed to stand together with people who don't know where to go. Thus they can rescue people with what little means they have and especially with their prophetic presence.

The first convoy of colleagues arrived at 10 pm in Bukavu and the second spent the night at the border due to car failure, covid test and borders closed. But around 11 pm, a community of sisters housed them, everyone got beds, and drink. The second convoy includes 25 people. All these colleagues are now sheltered among our three Bukavu communities in a spirit of solidarity and simple lifestyle, not forgetting the cost of this unexpected drama. But our colleagues keep the joy of being missionary in this uncertain context.

As for the situation in Ituri where I'm stuck, it's also the state of siege to stop the activities of 4 armed groups here that kill, burn, steal and paralyse the Ituri province. In our Yambi parish here in Bunia, the infrastructures of 4 rural areas were destroyed and looted by the Codeco militia: plates removed, instruments stolen, broken doors,... this is in short the situation that the population and the brothers live in our two provinces, Ituri and Nord Kivu under siege.

Thank you for thinking of us in your prayers and solidarity.
Father Ngona Emmanuel, CAP Provincial 27.05.2021

WELCOME

to the Community by the gift of
BAPTISM
to DEACON BIRCH.
Congratulations to his parents,
Abby COYNE and Declan BIRCH
of Gilbert Street.
Deacon's baptism is on Sunday 6th June
at 12 noon.

Meetings

Financial Council Tues 8 June 6pm
Parish Council Thurs 10 June 6pm

Congratulations to
MARK MORAN and JADE HAIGH,
of Fincham Rd, L14, for the celebration
of their **marriage** on
Saturday 5th June.
We wish them a happy and fruitful life
together,



PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Loretta ASHCROFT, Tommy & Kitty BAXTER, Patricia BIRCH, Catherine BOWLES, Dawn BRANIGAN, Pat BURKE, Josie CALVEY, Ashleigh CARR, Billy CARTLEDGE Jr., Vera CARTLEDGE, Baby Daisy Marcia DUNN, June DUNN, Tony EDWARDS, Jean ENNIS, Joan FORD, Darren KELLY, Sonny MACKLIN, Molly M^cEVOY, Kathleen M^cGOVERN, Mary MELODY, Alfie MONTGOMERY, May MURRAY, Teresa NALL, Sarah PAUL, Mary PEERS, Mary RICE, Mike RICHARDS, Ava RUDZINSKI, Elizabeth STABRAWA

Also, for the intentions of: Pete ALLEN and Family, Anne & Joan BAXTER, Sean CONNEELY, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Imelda FOSTER, Germaine, Beverly HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madeleine M^cCANN & Family, Anthony M^cCARTY, Kristine STABRAWA, Teresa SWIFT, David THOMAS, Terri VALIANT

And for those who have died: