

St Aidan's Parish Church

Mass Times

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm, Sunday 10.00 am and 12 Noon.

Holyday of Obligation Vigil 7.30pm, 10.00am and 7.30pm

Weekdays 10.00 am

Confessions After all Saturday Masses

Parish Ministers' Rota

27th June 2010

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Vigil	B. Higgins, E. Lynn, S. Woods.	P. Devine
10.00am	E. Grattan, E. Campbell	D. Ness, A. McCrorie
12 Noon	J. McCann, J. Slavin	T. Grant, J. McKelvie

Today's Mass



Today's Gospel reading from Luke takes place just after the feeding of the 5,000 with five barley loaves and two fish. It marks another important moment in Jesus' ministry and in his revelations about himself. The Gospel reading opens with Jesus in prayer and in a reflective mood.

His conversation with his disciples about who they and others believe him to be leads Jesus to reveal that he is not the type of messiah that some people expected him to be.

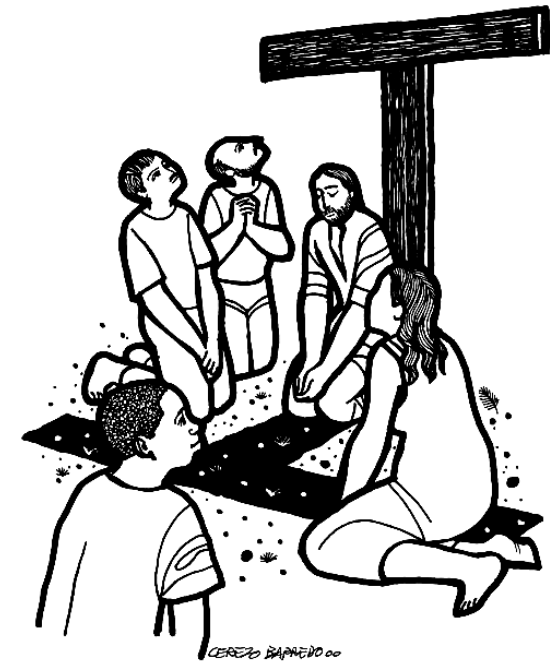
He is not a military leader who has arrived to liberate the Jews from their Roman occupiers and oppressors. He goes on to reveal to his disciples the unexpected and awesome prospect of his rejection by the Jews and his shameful, humiliating and very painful death.

The path of a true follower of Jesus is not one that leads upwards to power and privilege but one that leads downward into simplicity, humility and selflessness. There is real sacrifice and suffering involved on this path but the reward is transformation and freedom in Christ.

# St Aidan's Parish Bulletin

12th Sunday of Year C

20th June 2010



*"If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him...take up his cross every day and follow me..."*

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**12th Sunday of Year C (Weekdays: Week 12 Year 2)**

**Monday 21 June St Aloysius Gonzaga (1568 to 1591).** St Aloysius was the eldest son of the Marquis of Castiglione and entered the Jesuit Order in spite of his father's initial opposition. He entered the novitiate in Rome and while still a student was helping in a hospital during an outbreak of plague. He caught the plague himself and died.

**Thursday 24th Birth of St John the Baptist.** Unusually the principal feast of John the Baptist commemorates his birth, but his passion and death are also observed on 29th August.

**St Peter's Pence**

Next Sunday (27th June) the 2nd collection will be for 'Peter's Pence' - the Papal Charities. The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul is on the following Tuesday - 29th June and is a Holyday of Obligation.

**Rolls and Sausages**

Last Sunday's Rolls and Sausages event was again a great success. Special thanks are due to Morton's for their very generous donation of all of the rolls used.

Due to the summer holidays the next Rolls and Sausage day will be on the FIRST Sunday in July - 4th July. After that the August date will be 15th August, the 3rd Sunday in August and the feast of the Assumption. Make sure you put these vital dates in your diary!!

**Society of St Vincent de Paul**

The society performs a vital role in the parish, providing help to those most in need.

There are only a very few working members in the parish society at present and they urgently need more members - male or female - to help them.

Anyone interested should hand their contact details into the parish house or email staidanswishaw@live.co.uk

**RACE NIGHT**

**Thanks to everyone who helped organise and to those who took part in Friday very successful Race Night. The income will go to the hall renovation fund.**

Tablet for sale in the hall after all Masses. Proceeds to the hall renovation fund.

**WANTED**

**The dedicated people who clean the church every week really need some extra help. If you can spare an hour or so on Friday mornings after 10.00am Mass, your help will be warmly welcomed. If you can help, just come along on Friday mornings.**

**Please pray for:**

**The Anniversaries and Month's Minds of:**

May Grant; Elizabeth and Joseph Carroll; John and Francis Murphy; Arthur, Sarah and May Grant

**PARISH HUMOUR**

Joe's business has gone bust and he's in serious financial trouble. He's so desperate that he decides to ask God for help. He begins to pray.... "God, please help me. I've lost my business and if I don't get some money soon, I'm going to lose my house as well. Please let me win the lottery." Lottery night comes and somebody else wins it.

Joe again prays... "God, please let me win the lottery! I've lost my business, my car and I'm going to lose my house as well". Lottery night comes and Joe still has no luck.

Once again, he prays..... "My God, why have you forsaken me???? I've lost my business, my house, and my car. My wife and children are starving.

I don't often ask you for help and I have always been a good servant to you. PLEASE just let me win the Lottery just this once so I can get my life back in order."

Suddenly there is a blinding flash of light as the heavens open and Joe is confronted by the voice of God Himself:

"Joe, meet Me halfway on this. Buy a ticket."

An Iowa couple decided to go to Florida to thaw out during a particularly cold winter. They made reservations to stay at the same hotel where they spent their

honeymoon thirty years ago. Now, because of their very hectic schedule, it was difficult to coordinate their travel plans. So the husband left Iowa and flew to Florida on Friday, and his wife was going to fly there the next day. The husband checked into the hotel, but unlike when they were there the first time thirty years earlier, there was a computer in the room and he decided to send an email to his wife. As he typed out the address, however, he accidentally made a one-letter mistake in the email address.

Meanwhile, in Houston, Texas, a Baptist pastor had just had a heart attack and died. His wife returned home from the funeral and decided to check her email, thinking that there might be messages from relatives and so on. After reading the first message, she screamed and fell dead on the floor. The widow's son rushed into the room and found his mother on the floor. He then saw the computer screen, and here is what it said:

"To my darling wife, I know that you are surprised to hear from me. They have computers here now and you're allowed to send emails to your loved ones. I've just arrived and checked in. I see that everything's been prepared for your arrival tomorrow, and I look forward to seeing you then. I hope your journey is as uneventful as mine was.

"P.S. It sure is hot down here!!!"

**PARISH NOTICES**

**BINGO** Live bingo in the hall every Sunday at 7.30pm.

**STALL** In the hall after both Sunday Masses.

**MEN's CLUB** meets in the hall every Thursday at 7.30pm. Men's Club monthly Mass is held on the 1st Thursday of the month. .