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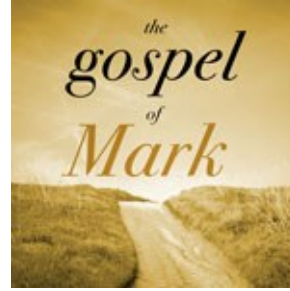
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St. Conleth's Parish, Newbridge

Sunday 12th September 2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Web: www.newbridgeparish.ie



Who do You Say that I Am?

In the presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus found in the Gospel of Mark, the deeds of Jesus have shown Jesus to be the Son of God. Yet many, including Jesus' disciples, have not yet realized his identity. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the disciples what others say about him. He then turns the question directly to the disciples and asks what they believe. Peter speaks for all of them when he announces that they believe Jesus to be the Christ.

The word *Christ* is the Greek translation of the Hebrew word for Messiah, which means "the anointed one." At the time of Jesus, the image of the Messiah was laden with popular expectations, most of which looked for a political leader who would free the Jewish people from Roman occupation. Jesus does not appear to have used this term for himself. As we see in today's reading, Jesus refers to himself instead as the Son of Man, a term derived from the Jewish Scriptures, found in the Book of Daniel and in other apocryphal writings. Many scholars suggest that the phrase Son of Man is best understood to mean "human being."

Now that the disciples have acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he will be rejected, must suffer and die, and will rise after three days. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely. The image of Christ that Jesus is giving is not the image of the Messiah that Peter was expecting. Jesus then teaches the crowd and the disciples about the path of discipleship: To be Christ's disciple is to follow in the way of the cross.

We can easily miss the fear that Jesus' words must have evoked in his disciples. Death by crucifixion was all too familiar as a method of execution in Roman occupied territories. It was also an ongoing danger to the Christian community for whom Mark wrote. The path that Jesus was inviting his disciples to share meant tremendous suffering and death. This is the kind of radical commitment and sacrifice that Jesus calls us to adopt for the sake of the Gospel.

Peter had expectations about what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means. We, too, have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter, however, we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways.

Mass Times

St. Conleth's Parish Church

Saturday: 9.30am & 6pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm, & 7pm.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 9.30am.

Holy Days: Masses as on Sunday, **except No 12.30 Mass**

Confessions:

Saturday: 10am - 11am & after 6pm Mass

First Friday: 9am - 9.20am

No confessions during Mass

Parish Church Sacristy: 045 432808

Cill Mhuire Church

Saturday: 7pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am & 1pm (Polish Mass)

Weekdays: Monday - Friday : 10am

Holy Days: 7pm (Vigil) & 10.30am

Confessions

Saturday: after 7pm Mass

First Friday: 9.30am - 9.50am

(No Confessions during Mass)

Cill Mhuire Sacristy: 045 432286

Dominican Church

Saturday: 8am, 10am & 8pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9.30am, 10.30am, 12noon & 5.30pm

Weekdays: Monday- Friday 7.30am, 10am & 6pm.
(Evening Prayer at 5.45pm).

Confessions

Saturday: 9.30am - 10am, 10.30am - 11.15am, 7.30pm - 8pm.

First Friday: 9.30am - 10am, 5.30pm - 6pm

(No confessions during Mass)

Newbridge Parish Share Food

Newbridge Parish Share Food - Items in special demand at present include biscuits, tinned meat, sugar, crackers and toiletries. Many thanks for your continued support. Donations may be left at the three churches in the parish and at the Parish Centre, Tesco, SuperValu and Dunnes.



Safeguarding Sunday On Sunday 19th September

the Diocese celebrates Safeguarding Sunday. We remember those who have experienced abuse in our Diocese and remind people of the Towards Healing confidential and free counselling service, Ph. 1800 303 416, Monday to Friday 11.00am to 6.00pm. They provide face to face counselling, and a counselling helpline.

The Safeguarding Committee has produced a short video to mark this day, and this will be available to view on www.kandle.ie



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Our Recently Deceased

Martin Tunny—formerly Ladytown and late Arklow

*We express our deepest sympathy to his family.
May he rest in peace. Amen*

Minister of the Word—Sunday 19th September 2021

Parish Church

6.00pm: Sylvia Hickey

8.30am: Anne Doyle

11.00am: Ian Hennessy

12.30pm: Fatimah Kave

7.00pm: Noel Smith

Cill Mhuire:

7.00pm: Eileen Hall

9.00am: Seamus Mullooly

10.30am: Gaye White



Parish Finances: Sunday 5th September 2021

Development Fund: € 3,103.00

Offertory: € 2,165.00

Total: € 5,268.00



The Autumn Collection for the Priests of the Parish takes place this weekend at all Masses

Newbridge Parish Lotto

Wednesday 8th September 2021

Numbers Drawn: 02, 14, 17, 20

No Jackpot Winner of € 18,000

14 Shared € 1,000

Next week's Jackpot € 19,000



Tickets are on sale in the **Parish centre** until **12.30pm** every **Wednesday**. If you have any queries on your Lotto, contact the **Lotto Office on 045 431394 Tuesday only: between 10.15am—12.15pm**. Thank you for your continued support.



**SEASON OF
CREATION**

The theme for the Season of Creation 2021 is 'Restoring Our Common Home'. We are asked to join together to celebrate creation and protect our common home through prayer, reflection and action. You can find plenty of resources to mark this month at www.kandle.ie

This year we celebrate this season mindful of the fact that our world continues to deal with the Covid-19 pandemic as well as a devastating climate and biodiversity crisis. We look towards two UN Conferences in the Autumn, COP15 (on Biodiversity, due to take place in China) and COP24 (on climate change, Glasgow) in the hope that world leaders take the urgent action that is needed to Restore Our Common Home. Catholics are urged to log on to www.thecatholicpetition.org to sign the **"Healthy Planet Healthy People"**.