

Go and Do Likewise
Luke 10:25-37

MOUNT MERRION PARISH

15 Sunday in Ordinary Time

14th July 2019

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JULY AND AUGUST – WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Due to the upcoming summer holiday season and the large number of Masses being said between Kilmacud and Mount Merrion it has been decided, with the support of the Dublin Diocese, for the month of July and August to reduce one weekend Mass in each parish.

The following is the summer arrangement starting **6th July until 24th August (inclusive)**

MASSES IN KILMACUD

Saturday vigil at 6pm

Sunday at 11.30am

There will be no 10am Mass during July and August

MASSES IN MOUNT MERRION

Sunday 10am

Sunday 11.15am

Sunday 7.30pm

There will be no 6pm Saturday vigil Mass during July and August

Apologies for any inconvenience that may be caused.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our respective Parishes.

Please pray for our priests and for vocations to the Priesthood

"The quality of mercy is not strained.
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
Upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed:
It blesseth him that
gives and him that takes."

- Shakespeare

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8th

10.00 For all who are ill

Tuesday 9th

10.00 Liturgical Service

Wednesday 10th

10.00 Noreen O'Leary [R.D.]

Ken Fagan [A]

Thursday 11th

10.00 Mary Yorke [R.D.]

Friday 12th

10.00 Vivien Wright [R.D.]

Saturday 13th

10.00 Karl Kirby [R.D.]

NO 6.00 MASS

Sunday 14th

10.00 Timlin Family

Ann Maguire [M.M.] & Pat Maguire [A]

11.15 Bill Morrissey [A]

Margaret Colfer [A]

Peter & Bobby O'Connor [A]

7.30 Dorothy Fargher [R.D.]

Monday 15th

10.00 For all who are ill

Tuesday 16th

10.00 Liturgical Service

Wednesday 17th

10.00 Patricia Humphries [A]

Special Intention

Thursday 18th

10.00

Friday 19th

10.00

Saturday 20th

10.00

NO 6.00pm MASS

Sunday 21st

10.00 Maureen & Michael &

their son Andres Finn [A]

11.15 Derek Clinton [A]

Padraig DeBrun [A]

Gabrielle Jones [A]

Fionan O'Sullivan [A]

7.30 Rosaleen Brady [A]

POPE FRANCIS REFLECTED ON THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN.

This parable, in a simple, yet stimulating way, indicates a style of life, in which the centre of gravity is not ourselves, but others. Like the doctor of the law in the day's Gospel, we might ask ourselves, Who is my neighbour? Is it my friends, my parents, my fellow countrymen?

Jesus does not answer the question directly, but instead tells of the Good Samaritan, a man who did not observe the true religion, but who nonetheless helped the poor, abandoned victim of robbers – in contrast to the priest and the Levite who simply passed him by. This story, completely reverses our perspective. It is not up to us to try to categorize people, to see if they count as our neighbours. Rather, the decision to be, or not be a neighbour, depends on us. It depends on me to be or not be a neighbour to the person I meet who has need of my help, even if he is a stranger, or even hostile.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the doctor of the law – and he tells us, too – to do as the Good Samaritan had done. We must have the attitude of the Good Samaritan to demonstrate our faith. Faith without works is dead. We should ask ourselves, if our faith is fruitful, if it produces good works, or if, on the other hand, it is sterile, and so more dead than alive.

We should ask ourselves this question often, because it is precisely on this question that we will be judged at the end of our lives. The Lord, will ask us, "Do you remember that time on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho? That man, who was half-dead, was me. Do you remember? That hungry child was me. Do you remember? That migrant who so many people wanted to chase away was me. Those grandparents, abandoned in rest homes, were me. Those sick people in the hospital, who no one went to find, were me."

Blessed Virgin help us to walk along the paths of generous love towards others, the path of the Good Samaritan.

THE HEART OF COMPASSION BY JOYCE RUPP

Compassionate God,
your generous presence
is always attuned to hurting ones.
Your listening ear is bent
toward the cries of the wounded
Your heart of love
fills with tears for the suffering.
Turn my inward eye to see
that I am not alone.
I am a part of all of life.
Each one's joy and sorrow
is my joy and sorrow,
and mine is theirs.
May I draw strength
from this inner communion.
May it daily recommit me
to be a compassionate presence
for all who struggle with life's pain.

Love and compassion are
necessities, not luxuries. Without
them humanity cannot survive.

Dalai Lama

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