## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14th February 2021

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Be my protector, O God. a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

#### GREETING

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

#### 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, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, 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.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Leviticus 13 :1-2. 44-46 A reading from the book of Leviticus The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. 'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head.

A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered: he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.<sup>3</sup>

#### The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 31:1-2.5.11

R. You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.

- 1. Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted. O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. (R)
- 2. But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. (R)
- 3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart.

#### SECOND READING

#### 1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** 

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us: God has visited his people. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL Mark 1:40-45

The Lord be with you And with your spirit. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

#### Glory to you, O Lord. A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on

his knees:'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him.'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



## NICENE CREED

(R)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy,

catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen



### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14th February 2021 Day of Prayer for Temperance

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, ..... May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this oblation, O Lord, we pray, cleanse and renew us and may it become for those who do your will the source of eternal reward. Through Christ our Lord.

#### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

## AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

## THE SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Lord. I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having fed upon these heavenly delights, we pray, O Lord, that we may always long for that food by which we truly live. Through Christ our Lord.

## CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ♥ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.

When Jesus cured the leper he was restored back to health and to his family and friends. By being renewed with the body and blood of Christ at this Mass we are strengthened and restored to God's family.





The family is the first school where we learn this. Parents give of themselves, their time and hard-won earnings for the

As we grow older, we hope we have become that bit more loving and like Christ: that we just do it! Especially living in compassion and care for those who need it most, those who suffer a lot.

theirs.



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children. All through our family life with brothers and sisters we make sacrifices for each other. So much of family life is self-giving. Even though we get joy out of putting ourselves out for the family, it can be painful. In other areas of life we experience people going beyond the beyond the call of duty, like teachers and chaplains in schools and hospitals; health care workers helping those with coronavirus, and many others, This joy of giving, is found also in the following of Jesus. The joy of love is well celebrated at this Valentine's time of the year.

God, in Jesus, is there in our suffering, wanting our wholeness. We know faith can grow from it, that the meaning of life can be found.

# focus on sunday

In his healing of a leper, Jesus risked contagion, and being ostracised. His love was and is a self-sacrificing love, we see this later, on the cross. All love has elements of self-sacrifice.

Lord, may I feel your closeness in any difficulties I have; let me care for others in

Donal Neary SJ Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Today is a special day to pray for your friends that may be sick or a member of your family that is sick. Ask God to heal them just like he healed the leper and always remember to say thank you. Look out for anyone you think might be feeling lonely or sad and include them in your games. We are all God's children and He loves us with an everlasting love.

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Part III

In the year 2000 the Diocese of Ferns celebrated the 14<sup>th</sup> century anniversary of its founding by St. Aidan. To mark that important milestone the late Father John Gahan produced a major work entitled "THE SECULAR PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF FERNS". The book consists of pen pictures of all the priests who served in the Diocese from the early 19<sup>th</sup> century to the year 2000.

Over the next number of weeks the Newsletter will carry his accounts of all the Parish Priests and Curates who worked in New Ross Parish during that time. As it happens the first on the list is LUKE WADDING, who was mentioned in a recent edition of the Newsletter.

REV. DENIS KENNY was born in 1815 in the Parish of Kilrush. He entered St. Peters College in his 13th year. In 1834 he went to Maynooth and four years later, when only twenty-three, he was ordained on 9th June 1838. He was a first premium man all through his course. Nature gave him a strong constitution but it is evident that intense study had already affected it, for Dean Gaffney stated that his health would be injured by going for further studies to the Dunboyne Establishment.

After ordination he was appointed Professor in St. Peters College in September 1838, which he left in September 1841, to become curate in Taghmon. From there he went to Wexford town on 2nd October 1843 but, on 4th March 1848, because of delicate health, he was transferred to Ballygarrett. He went to Screen on 17th January 1853, and was transferred to the Pariah of Crossabeg as PP IN April 1857. In October pf 1860, he received summons from the Bishop. The Pastor of New Ross, Rev. James Walsh, who was in his declining years, on the death of his brother, wished to succeed his as Pastor of Our Lady's Island. The Bishop had now to find a new PP for New Ross and Fr. Kenny was chosen.

During 1840s and 1850s New Ross was politically volatile, with three groupings in constant conflict. Petty policies were introduced into every question and, worst of all, the priests were expected, often compelled, by circumstances, to take part. Of course, those whom they did not join felt deeply offended. Such were the people he had to minister to. It is recorded that in the heat of an election campaign in New Ross, Fr. Kenny 's door was smashed and he himself pursued to the very sanctuary of the church.

The collection for the new church was continued but gradually dwindled, as there was no sign of the new church being built. Much was spent improving the old one and in paying the heavy rent of £40.00 a year, and also in meeting current expenses and in building schools in Michael Street.

"Gifted with a fine physical presence, Fr. Kenny was a born orator, a brilliant intellect and a wit, caustic or genial by turns, a distinguished man wherever he went. At the altar he was solemn and dignified; he was an excellent preacher and often held missions for the betterment of his people. Daniel O'Connell said of him that he was one of the best speakers he had ever listened to." Cannon Kenney died at New Ross on 5th September 1875.

REV. JOHN KIRWAN was born at Kilpipe, in the parish of Annacurra, Co. Wicklow. He received his early education at St. Peters College. He entered Maynooth college in October 1838 and was ordained on 6th June 1846.

He was appointed curate in the parish of Tomacork in June 1846. On 31st January 1847 he was transferred to Kilrane, bur due to ill health had to take leave of absence on 26th February 1848. He was appointed curate in the parish of Taghmon on 5th September 1849 and was transferred to the parish of Kilmore on 17th January 1853. On 9th May 1858 he became a curate New Ross. He was appointed PP Tagoat in May 1869 and returned again to New Ross as Parish Priest on the death of Very Rev. Denis Kenny, in September 1875, where he spent the last thirteen years of his life.

The idea of building the new church, which had been promoted in Canon Kenny's time, was abandoned for the time being, and Canon Kirwan contented himself with erecting a porch and a belfry, and improving the old church. However, he purchased the site of the present church for £ 800.00.

Canon Kirwan died on 22nd April 1888, aged 66 years.

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## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DEC 2020 APPEAL.

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Monsignor Joseph McGrath

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