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The Gospel:

In today's Gospel we see Jesus blessing bread. A large crowd of Galileans, impressed by the wonders of Jesus' healing, has followed him into the hills. After the miracle of feeding they want to take Jesus and make him King. Jesus gave us the model of Christian leadership. Only when we share the little we appear to have, will we discover how much we have left over. *That truth can only be discovered by doing it.*

Gaza Medical Report

On the Noticeboard is an up to date report from Trócaire and the Diocese of Gaza on the medical situation in Gaza. Because of our ongoing support for the plight of the people of Gaza, it's an acknowledgment of our concern, and no doubt an appreciation by Trócaire that we care as a parish community for the people of Gaza, that they share this information with us. Their report is published on the Church Notice Board and in the Parish Centre. ***It's sad reading!!!***

Trócaire has also promised to use our parish as a location to display an exhibition on Climate Justice in mid-September. It will coincide with the Season of Creation program in the church.

World War One - The Irish Story

The SMA Folklore Project present their exhibition "World War One - The Irish Story". Commemorating the 110th anniversary of the "Great War", the exhibition puts a spotlight on how the war unfolded from an Irish perspective, particularly focusing on Cork. The exhibition can be viewed in the Coffee Dock, in the Parish Centre.



Parish Trip to Mount Melleray

A picture from our parishes recent three-day reflection period in Mount Melleray, Co. Waterford.

Liberia and the Catholic Church

Liberia is predominantly Christian with Catholics making up about 8 percent of the population. But as we crisscrossed the country, it became clear to me that the Catholic Church, its bishops, priests, nuns and lay leaders, had earned the trust of the people by staying by their side through thick and thin. And no clearer example of this came when we visited a leprosarium, which cares for scores of people with the disease as well as patients with tuberculosis and other serious illnesses.

Fr. Luigi was grateful for the appreciation he received from people last Sunday and is also grateful that we have agreed to support the work of his brother in Liberia. A video of the work of his brother can be viewed by clicking on the QR code below.



The support for the SMA Fathers in Liberia to date amounts to €310.

When coming to church, please collect a copy of the bulletin and use it to join in the prayers and the readings of the Mass. When leaving we urge you to take the bulletin home with you. You never know, maybe a member of your family or a visitor to your house might take an interest in the content.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You will come in glory with salvation for your people:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us...

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, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4:42-44

A reading from the second book of Kings.

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

World Day of Grandparents

28th July 2024

The love of God is a generous love, given to each of us. A generous love that asks his people, to make his generosity visible through the way we treat others.

first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this', 'They will eat and have some left over.' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 144)

R. You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **(R)**
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. **(R)**
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. **(R)**

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-6

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

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 John 6:1 - 15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world'. Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED

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

✠ 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

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings which we bring from the abundance of your gifts, that through the powerful working of your grace these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life and lead us to eternal gladness. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament, the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son; grant, we pray, that this gift, which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling, may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord.