



**St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield**  
**The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – B**  
**20<sup>th</sup> June 2021**



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It is a scary experience to be caught out in a small boat when, without warning, the sea suddenly changes from peaceful blue waters into exceptionally large waves. I remember being on a small boat while on a visit to Malta many years ago and with a sudden change in the weather our pleasant journey quickly became a very

frightening ordeal. When we eventually reached the shore the sense of relief was very evident in the group.

We have all experienced fear, so we can appreciate how the apostles felt in the storm-tossed boat. They quickly shout at Jesus who is asleep in the boat, seemingly unaware of the danger and showing little concern for their plight.

This story of the storm at sea can connect with the trials and sufferings in our own lives. The experiences of illness, bereavement, disappointments, and misfortunes that come our way from time to time can severely test our faith. We can feel disappointed with God when setbacks bring sadness and anxiety into our homes. We might react angrily and question why God did not intervene to prevent this heartache. All these feelings are very understandable.

When we do not get an immediate answer to our prayers, we lose heart, panic and maybe even experience a sense of drowning beneath the waves of despair. Today's Gospel should give us hope because it shows that Jesus is always near, hidden in the very heart of suffering. We need to have faith that he alone can give us the courage and inner peace that will cast out our fears on the stormy voyage of life.

Fr. Gerry Corcoran

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| <b>Mass Times</b> | <b>Saturday</b> | <b>:</b> | <b>6 pm Vigil</b>                                  |
|                   | <b>Sundays</b>  | <b>:</b> | <b>10:30 am &amp; 12:30pm</b>                      |
|                   | <b>Weekdays</b> | <b>:</b> | <b>Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri &amp; Sat. 10:00 am</b> |

Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of :

**Paddy Robinson** whose funeral took place in our Church on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

**May he rest in peace**

We also keep Paddy's family and friends in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

*May He support us all the day long,  
till the shades lengthen and the evening comes,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over,  
and our work is done.  
Then in His mercy may He give us a safe lodging, and a holy rest and peace at the last.*

*Dublin North Bereavement Network and the South Dublin Bereavement Network hosts **Living with grief amidst a global pandemic.***

An information evening for the public about bereavement with guest speaker **Zoe Holohan** Author of '**As the Smoke Clears**'. Online Event, 7.30pm, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of June, 2021.

*We remember at Mass and in our prayers those who have gone before us*



Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> (Vigil) 6:00pm

**Des O'Brien** 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
**Vincent Caffrey** Birthday Rem.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am

**Joseph Ashmore** 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
**Sean Connolly** Birthday Rem.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> 12:30 pm

**Marie Lewis** Months Mind

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00 am

**Paddy & Christopher Reilly** Anniv's.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am

**Nodlaig Carr** 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

*May they rest in peace*

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