

23rd August 2020

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lovely Things

by H. M. Sarson

*Bread is a lovely thing to eat -
God bless the barley and the wheat!*

*A lovely thing to breathe is air -
God bless the sunshine everywhere!*

*The earth's a lovely place to know -
God bless the folks that come and go!*

*Alive's a lovely thing to be -
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The Key

Who do you think Jesus is? As small children we are told that Jesus is the Son of God, and we accept it readily. When we are children God is a kindly father figure who lives in

Heaven and listens to our night prayers. When we are small, Jesus is the baby we see in the Christmas Nativity scene. When we are a little older, Jesus is the teller of all those intriguing parables. Once we are young adults we see Jesus as a great teacher, a healer, a worker of miracles and a revolutionary. For some of us, doubts creep in. Is Jesus really the Son of God or simply a good man and a great prophet?

In today's gospel Jesus asks his disciples "Who do you say I am?" "You are the Christ," replies Peter promptly, "the Son of the living God." But this wasn't Peter's opinion from the start. Peter and the other disciples first met Jesus as a fellow human being. By working with Jesus and following his ministry daily, Peter and the other disciples gradually came to the extraordinary conviction that God was working through Jesus; speaking, healing, working miracles and offering eternal salvation.

Today we listen again to Jesus' question. "Who do you say I am?" It seems that the question is stretching over the centuries. It seems that the question is aimed not just at the disciples but at us. Jesus doesn't want us to give the answer we've been taught to give ... our answer has to be from the heart. Our answer might be, "I don't know!" Our answer might be, "I'm not very sure right now." Or our answer might be a resounding, "You are Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus knows that faith is a journey and our answer reflects at exactly what stage of that journey we have reached.

It may be that we think of Jesus as little more than a good man and a great prophet. If this is what we believe, the Bible becomes little more than a book filled with good stories and sound philosophy. If like the disciples we are convinced that Jesus is the Son of God, all at once we are opening ourselves to great possibilities.... all at once we have found the key to life's greatest adventure.

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Esme Sophia Comerford
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For more information contact **Kellie or Darren 086-867 5060**



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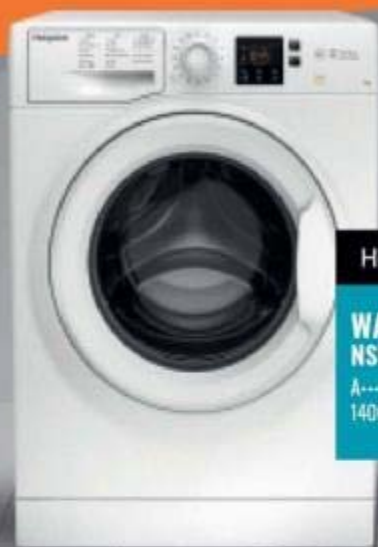
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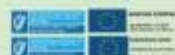
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(Peter's Confession)



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On the first day of school, the teacher will probably ask some questions to see how much you already know. When the teacher asks a question to which you know the answer, you might wave your hand excitedly in the air and say, "I know! I know!" It is a great feeling when you know the answer, isn't it? It sure helps to take away those "back to school Jitters."

In the gospel today, the disciples are going "back to school." Can you guess who their teacher is? Right! Jesus is their teacher. Jesus often took his disciples aside to teach them important lessons about the Kingdom of God. This was one of those days. Jesus began his lesson that day by asking his disciples a question.

"Who do men say that I am?" Jesus asked.

I imagine that one of the disciples raised his hand and said, "I know! I know! Some people say that you are John the Baptist."

Then another of the disciples raised his hand and said, "I know! I know! Some people say you are Elijah."

A third disciple raised his hand and said, "Some people say that you are Jeremiah or one of the other prophets."

"Very good," Jesus said, "that is what other people are saying, but who do you say that I am?"

You know, I think that Peter was so excited that he forgot to raise his hand. I think he just called out to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus said, "You are right, Peter. You didn't learn that from listening to other people. It was taught to you by my Father in heaven."

The lesson that the disciples learned that day is just as important today as it was then. Many people in our world today still do not know who Jesus is. You and I need to be ready with the answer, "He is the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Dear Father, when people are searching for the answer to the question, "Who is Jesus?" help us to be ready with the answer. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen



Peter's Confession of Christ

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the page.

1. Some people thought that Jesus was _____ the _____.
2. Others said he was Elijah, Jeremiah or one of the _____.
3. Jesus asked, "Who do _____ say that I am?"
4. Simon Peter answered, "You are the _____ the Son of the living God."
5. Jesus said, "This was revealed to you by my _____ in _____.
6. "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my _____."
7. "I will give you the _____ of the kingdom of heaven."
8. Jesus warned his _____ not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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Bless all those who love me too.
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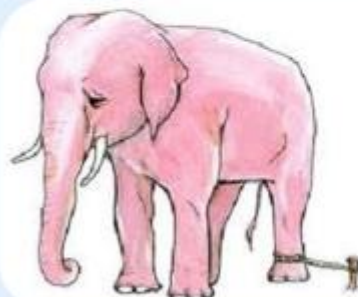


TIME TO THINK!

Jack Charlton "Put them under pressure"

Jack Charlton's recent death left many deeply saddened. An iconic personality, that won the hearts of the Irish people. He made people believe in themselves. His cap. His fishing. His pint. His long ball. His mantra – "put 'em under pressure." Big Jack was very different to Bobby. The poetry of Bobby contrasted with the prosaic Jack. He would have been impressed by Southampton at present. They play with heart and guts. He also lived as if there was more to life than football. Jack was the strong centre half. His 'black book' summed up his tough and rough play. He was a much better player than he appeared. His crude coaching was more subtle than it seemed. He became a symbol of hope and confidence in Ireland. Nothing was now impossible. There was fun. There was the-devil-may-care outlook which was orchestrated. He was even credited with playing a part in the birth of the Celtic Tiger. He had come from a mining background and had gone down in the mines himself. He spent his playing days at Leeds. Johnny Giles is still our man from Leeds. Lorimer, Hunter, Bremner and of course Revie. Leeds are coming again!

Leeds played a game where no quarter was given or expected. I even had the boldness to use Jack as a metaphor for the Readings at Mass recently! (Effectiveness of God's word) God waiting for us. Expecting the best from us. Giving us confidence. Go play. Make the best of everyday. Make the best of yourself. Have a go. Thanks for the memories Jack. You lit up the country. People who never knew anything about soccer – became fans. Where were you during Italia 90 or when that goal in Stuttgart was scored?



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The only reason that the elephants weren't breaking free and escaping from the camp was that over time they adopted the belief that it just wasn't possible.

Moral of the story:

No matter how much the world tries to hold you back, always continue with the belief that what you want to achieve is possible.

Believing you can become successful is the most important step in actually achieving it.



A Prayer as our Schools Reopen

Loving God, we ask you to wrap our diocesan school family in a cloak of love and protection as our schools reopen this year.

Bless our boards of management and staff as they continue the good work that they have already begun to ensure a welcoming and safe environment for all.

Bless our parents as they again entrust their children to us, confident we can all work together to help them become the very best that they can be.

Above all, God of Love, we ask you to extend your hand of blessing on our pupils as they joyfully reunite with their friends and all in the school community. May they continue to progress in their studies and always know that they are safe, secure and protected in your loving embrace.

We know much will seem very different this year, but, Gracious God, we are confident that through the intercession of our own Saints Brigid, Conleth and Laserian, your love and care for each of us will never change. May we show the same love and care for one another in all we do and say this year. Amen.



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OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR
THOSE WHO DIED RECENTLY ;



Kathleen Farrell
née Sutcliffe
Rathgaline

*Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me: your rod
and your staff - they comfort me.*

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE
Our sympathy to her family.

A message of sympathy may be left for the family by logging on to
the death notice at www.portlaoiseparish.ie/deathnotices



We pray for Eimear and Eddie,
the parents of

Baby Timmy McCarthy, Esker Hills.

Our thoughts are with the family at this sad time.



The deadline for receipt
of Anniversaries and
Acknowledgments for
our next publication
(29th/30th August) is;

**12 noon Wednesday
26th August**

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT In Loving Memory of MARY-EMMA FERGUS

87 Main Street, Portlaoise.

1st Anniversary occurs 23rd August 2020



On this, the first anniversary of the passing of Mary-Emma, her husband Bryan and daughters Siobhan and Bebhinn wish to thank everyone most sincerely for their kind expressions of sympathy and the support shown to them on the loss of their wonderful wife and mother.

To all who called to see them and those who attended the funeral

home, Mass and burial. To our relatives and all those who travelled to be there, particularly family outside of Ireland and especially Mary-Emma's friends from Galway. We would like to thank our friends and neighbours on the Main Street for their kindness and Downtown Portlaoise for their guard of honor.

Thank you to Matthew Keegan and David Goode for their care and attention.

We want to thank Fr. Eddie Lalor for visiting mum at home and praying with her, Fr. David Vard for saying a lovely funeral Mass and spending time with us as a family, and Fr. Paddy Byrne who offered Mary-Emma comfort and reassurance during the years of her illness. She greatly appreciated the time he spent with her. For the beautiful music at the funeral Mass, thank you so much to Erin and the Vltava String Quartet.

Thank you to the Oncology staff of Tullamore Hospital for looking after mum so well over the course of her illness and the Palliative care team for all their help and support shown to Mary-Emma during her time at home. A special word of thanks to Sarah who came in to care for mum in her final weeks, for the kindness and compassion she showed.

A special thank you to the McPherson, the Fitzpatrick and McEvoy families and Therese Collins for their support and kindness.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our sincere appreciation and gratitude.

Mary-Emma's first Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church, Portlaoise this Saturday 22nd August 2020 at 10am.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam

In Loving Memory of MARY-EMMA FERGUS

A wonderful Mother and Grandma
1st Anniversary occurs 23rd August 2020



*God looked around his garden and
found an empty space,
Then He looked down upon the
earth and saw my Grandmas face,
He put His arms around her &
lifted her to rest,
God's garden must be beautiful as
He only takes the best.*

Always in our hearts and always in our thoughts
Sadly missed and loved by your daughter Bebhinn
and grandson Lorcan xx

Rest in Peace

In Loving Memory of EDWARD (Ned) McEVOY

Capoley, Portlaoise - 22nd Anniversary (30th August)



Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Church on Sunday 30th August at 12:30pm.

*Time unfolds another year, memories keep you
very near. No need for words except to say
you are loved and missed each passing day.*

In God's care you rest alone, In our hearts you rest in love.
Never more than a thought away, loved and remembered
everyday by Sarahann, Ailish, Mary, Joe and Breda and
families.

Also thinking of our Mother Madge at this time.

May Edward Rest in Peace

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of MARGARET LYNCH (nee Doheny)

23 St. John's Sq. Portlaoise.

11th Birthday away from home occurs 23rd August 2020.



*This day is remembered and quietly
kept, no words are needed,
we shall never forget,
For those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen and unheard, but always near
So loved, so missed, and so very dear.*

*Sadly missed by her husband Mick, children, grandchildren,
brothers, sisters, relatives and friends.
Also remembering other deceased relatives & friends at this time.*

May Margaret Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
JOHN MAHER**

Grange, Stradbally.
7th Anniversary occurs at this time.



*Memory is a lovely lane,
where hearts are very true,
A lane we so often travel down,
because it leads to you.*

*Sadly missed by his loving family.
May John Rest in Peace*

**In Loving Memory of
CHRISTY DWANE**

28 O' Moore Place, Portlaoise.
14th Anniversary occurs 27th August 2020.



*Wherever we go, whatever we do,
Memories keep us near to you*

*Sadly missed by his wife Kathleen, sons
Chris and Robbie, extended family,
Kayleigh and Aideen and grandchildren
Mia, Emily, Taylor and Leo.*

May Christy Rest in Peace

**In Loving Memory of
PATRICIA LaCUMBER**

1 Parnell Crescent, Portlaoise.
3rd Anniversary occurs 22nd August 2020



*Patricia's 3rd Anniversary Mass will be
celebrated in Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish
Church this Saturday 22nd August at 10am.*

*Our thoughts are ever with you,
Though you have passed away,
And those who have loved you dearly,
Are thinking of you today.*

Sadly missed, forever loved and remembered by all her loving family.

Rest in Peace Patricia

*Come to me,
all you who labour & are overburdened*

Matthew 11:29

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

**In Loving Memory of
KATHLEEN DEEVY**

24 Lakeglen, Portlaoise.
Whose birthday occurs 23rd August.



*I have a gift, you cannot see,
Of heartfelt love and memories,
This special gift, the angels bring,
Is priceless though, weighs not a thing.
Carried through the sunlit skies,
On wings of doves and butterflies,
A loving wish wrapped tight with love,
To our dearest Mam, living up above.*

*Sadly missed by Pat, Sylvia, grandchildren Craig
and Rebecca and friend Nancy.*

May Kathleen Rest in Peace

*You are the
Light
of the World*



**In Loving Memory of
A Caring, Funny, Loving Mother, Sister
and Nanny**

ANNIE GREENE

74 St. Brigid's Place, Portlaoise.
4th Anniversary away from home occurred 21st August 2020



*Softly in the morning, you heard a
gentle call,
You took the hand God offered you,
and quietly left us all,
The day you left us Mammy, our hearts
just broke in two,
The smallest part is still with us,
And the biggest part with you.
For the rest of our lives, we will miss you
Mammy, our secret tears still flow,*

Oh, how we really loved you, no one will ever know.

*We miss your smile, your joking ways,
We miss the things you use to say,
And when old times we do recall,
It's then we miss you most of all.*

You were always there when we needed you,

No task too great or small,

With a loving heart and willing hands, for us you did it all.

*Loved and missed today and everyday Mammy, from your
daughter Mary, grandson Keelin, sister Ellie and
the Greene family.*



*Also remembering our father, Thomas,
whose 11th Anniversary away from home
occurred 12th July.*

*Rest in Peace
Mammy and Daddy*

In Loving Memory of **SADIE CONROY**

Rathmoyle Road, Abbeylax.
5th Anniversary occurs 25th August 2020.



*Will those who think of
Sadie today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
Loved and remembered always
by all her loving family.
Rest in Peace Sadie*

In Loving Memory of **CAROLINE KHANDKER**

Died 25th August 1982
And her Mother

TERESA KHANDKER
née McCormack. Died 13th May 2019



I thought of you with love today, but that is nothing new,
I thought about you yesterday, and days before that too,
I think of you in silence, I often speak your name,
All I have are memories, and your picture in a frame,
Your memory is our keepsake, with which we'll never part,
God has you in His keeping, we have you in our hearts.

*Deeply missed and always in our hearts,
Hector, Samantha, Shabir, Nashad and families.
May They Rest in Peace*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT In Loving Memory of **PATRICIA O'BRIEN**

Cherrygrove, Portlaoise.

Patricia's Months Mind occurs at this time.



The family of the late Patricia O'Brien of Cherrygrove Portlaoise wish to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy and gestures of kindness shown to us following our very sad loss.

We offer our heartfelt thanks to many relatives, friends and neighbours who attended Mammy's rosary, service and burial and to all who provided emotional and practical support to us at this very sad and difficult time. To those who telephoned, sent floral tributes, cards and messages of condolences we are truly grateful.

A special word of thanks to the paramedics who attended mammy's home, the staff of Portlaoise hospital especially the surgical ward, CCU, Catherine the nurse on medical and Olive the palliative care nurse for their kindness and respect shown to mammy at all times.

To those who participated in mammy's Mass especially Fr. Ciprian Matei, Msgr. John Byrne and Nuala Kelly for the beautiful music and finally to Matthew and David of Keegan's funeral directors for their sensitivity and professional handling of all arrangements.

To all those who helped in any way your contributions are much appreciated and will never be forgotten.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

**Sadly missed and always remembered by Christy,
Yvonne, Sandra, Gordon, Evan, Teagan, John and Sonny.**

Rest in Peace Mammy



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In Loving Memory of **TADEUSZ KIERCZAK**

Originally from Katowice, Poland.
25th Anniversary occurs 23rd August 2020.



Dear father, rest in peace wherever you are. You are missed every single day.
I love you daddy. I miss you badly.
You are always in my heart.

*Sadly missed, loved and remembered by his
loving daughter Barbara with family,
extended relatives and friends.*

Rest in Peace Tadeusz

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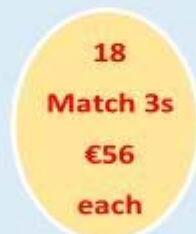


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Next Week's Jackpot €20,000

St. Bartholomew, Apostle Monday 24th August

St. Bartholomew's name occurs in the Synoptic Gospels only in the list of apostles. He is probably to identified with Nathanael of Cana, whom Philp brings to our Lord. Preached the Gospel in India. Patron saint of plasterers, tanners and leather workers.



'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in Heaven.'

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