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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

9 AUGUST 2020:
NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
(Year A (II); Psalter: Week 3)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19: 9.11-13
 Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 84 (85): 9-14
 2nd Reading: Romans 9: 1-5
 Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-33

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 9 August	NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (p. 755 – Year A)	LIVE-STREAMED PUBLIC MASS PUBLIC MASS	9.30 am 11.00 am
Monday 10 August	Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Live-Streamed Mass on Facebook	9.30 am
Tuesday 11 August	Memorial of St. Clare Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Live-Streamed Mass on Facebook	9.30 am
Wednesday 12 August	Wednesday of Week 19 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Live-Streamed Mass on Facebook	9.30 am
Thursday 13 August	Thursday of Week 19 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Live-Streamed Mass on Facebook	9.30 am
Friday 14 August	Memorial of St. Maximilian Kolbe Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Live-Streamed Mass on Facebook	9.30 am
Saturday 15 August	Saturday of Week 19 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB (Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination)	Live-Streamed Mass on Facebook	9.30 am
Sunday 16 August	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (p. 1174 – Year A)	LIVE-STREAMED PUBLIC MASS PUBLIC MASS	9.30 am 11.00 am

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year: Sinking Fear

How do we find God in the storms and struggles of our lives, in the trials we encounter in trying to do His will?

God commands Elijah in today's First Reading to stand on the mountain and await His passing by. And in the Gospel, Jesus makes the disciples set out across the waters to meet Him.

In each case, the Lord makes himself present amid frightening tumult—heavy winds and high waves, fire and earthquakes. Elijah hides his face. Perhaps he remembers Moses, who met God on the same mountain, also amid fire, thunder, and smoke (see Deuteronomy 4:10–15; Exodus 19:17–19). God told Moses no one could see His face and live, and He sheltered Moses in the hollow of a rock, as He shelters Elijah in a cave (see Exodus 33:18–23).

The disciples, likewise, are too terrified to look on the face of God. Today's Gospel is a revelation of Jesus' divine identity.

Only God treads across the crest of the sea (see Job 9:8) and rules the raging waters (see Psalm 89:9–10). And the words of assurance that Jesus speaks—"It is I"—are those God used to identify himself to Moses (see Exodus 3:14; Isaiah 43:10). Even Peter is too overcome by fear to imitate his Lord. His fears, Jesus tells him, are a sign of his lack of faith. And so it often is with us. Our fears make us doubt, make it hard to see His glory dwelling in our midst.

Yet, we should know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that His salvation is near to those who hope in Him. By faith we should know, as Paul asserts in today's Second Reading, that we are heirs to the promises made to His children, Israel.

We must trust that He whispers to us in the trials of our lives—that He who has called us to walk along the way of His steps. He will save us whenever we begin to sink.

(Scott Hahn)

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Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Nineteenth Sunday of the Year (p. 755) –

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 755: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 543: Apostles' Creed

p. 573: Preface VII

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

Remember one another – Please try to support one another in these challenging times: a phone call to check up on elderly and vulnerable parishioners and friends; a friendly call to see if anyone needs shopping; supporting your local shops and businesses, which will be hit hard from a financial perspective. We are all in this together.

Remember your parish – ‘thank you’ for your generosity, with three separate donations of £100, £58, and £40!! If you would like to support the maintenance of our parish during this time of lockdown, here are some different ways that the parish can be assisted:

- **A regular Standing Order:** the account details are in the next column opposite, under ‘Parish Finances’.
- **Donations in an envelope, put through the church letterbox.** During this period, and for the foreseeable future, any offerings, donations or benefactions to the parish will be paid in to our No. 1 (Running) Account.
- **A re-evaluation of your level of giving.** If every parishioner at Mass gave an extra £5 (two coffees at Costa or Starbucks...), it would make an enormous difference to the future of the parish!!
- **A Bequest,** or gift left in a will, is an increasingly popular way of remembering your parish. All bequests should be made to St. Columba's Culloden Building Fund Account. All benefactors are remembered at our Masses.

Thank you for your consideration and continuing generosity and support – it is greatly appreciated.

ST. COLUMBA'S IS REOPEN FOR SUNDAY MASS! During this present stage of the easing of lockdown, Fr. Domenico will be offering two Masses each Sunday: at 9.30am (which will also be live-streamed) and at 11.00am. To book a seat(s) for Mass next Sunday, here are the links:

16 August 9.30am:

<https://mass-at-st-columbas-culloden-16-08-2020-0930am.eventbrite.co.uk>

16 August 11.00am:

<https://mass-at-st-columbas-culloden-16-08-2020-1100am.eventbrite.co.uk>

Please note that seats for both Masses will be available to book online from Sunday 2 August at 12 noon. If you have a problem or query, please contact Fr. Domenico.

SCIAF WEE BOXES – if you still have a SCIAF Wee Box(es) at home, could you hand it in to St. Columba's as soon as possible, please, as Fr. Domenico will be sending off our parish contribution soon. Many thanks.

Congratulations to Elijah Rusk! – Elijah was baptised at St. Columba's on Saturday 8 August, the Memorial of St. Dominic. Such an auspicious day for this important event in the faith life of this little boy! Please pray for him.

Funeral of Janette Catto: 18 August 2020 – of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of Janette Catto. Those of you who regularly attend our monthly Fundraiser Bingo will be familiar with Janette, who was one of the assistants, and who helped considerably to make the event such a success. Her Funeral Service will take place on **Tuesday 18 August at 12.30pm** in the Chapel of W. T. Fraser and Sons Funeral Directors, followed by a graveside committal at Kilvean cemetery. Please keep the family in your prayers at this difficult time.

Any unwanted old iPads at home? If you have an old and unwanted iPad at home, ideally with a 10.2-inch screen, that is no longer of use to you, and would consider donating it to the parish, please speak to Fr. Domenico.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Confessions will be heard in the Parish Meeting Room. Entrance is by the back patio door – opposite the entrance to the House. There will be a comfy chair for the penitent, near the door, and Fr. Domenico will be seated in the other corner of the room, observing social distancing. If you would like to avail yourself of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, simply e-mail Fr. Domenico, or phone the Parish House (794993), to make an appointment.

90 Club: Next Draw on 30 August. Thank you for your continuing support. If you would like to take part in this parish fundraiser, it's only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won. please see Fr. Domenico.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Michael Good, Laura Johnstone, Katie Mary Fraser, Norman Wood, Stuart MacLennan, John Macdonald, Evelyn MacGregor, Rena Herbison, Louise Flett, Alistair Macleod, Alex Fruters, Morag Lloyd, Patrick Macpherson, Kathleen Macpherson, Ricci Hudson-Storey, Steve Knight

RIP: + Linda Robson + Janette Catto +

Anniversaries: + Margaret Smith + Peter Tierney + Donald Joseph Peteranna + Tom Strachan + Peggy Murray + Baxter Murray + Donald and Dorothy MacDonald +