NEWSLETTER

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Monday 21st - Sunday 27th September 2020

Monday10:00amIntention of Tony WhiteTuesday10:00amIntention of Kate O'ReganWednesday7:00pmFr Charles Briggs R.I.PThursday10:00amIntention of ThelmaFriday10:00amMarie Pfitzer R.I.PSaturday6:00pmDennis Turner R.I.P

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 8:30am Isolated Elderly People

10:00am People of the Parish 12 noon Matt McCabe R.I.P

FR JACK

Life is not fair but it is wonderful.

Looking at today's gospel that is all I can say, because most of us would think it is unfair.

A few thoughts to guide us.

I do not have a right to salvation. It is a free gift from God.

Everybody needs a just wage to live. The guy in the morning had 5 kids but so also did the guy who came in the evening have 5 kids, so..?

This spells out the **fairness** of Jesus:

Concern for ALL people.

"Personally I can say that, after 48 years, the time I spent building the Kingdom is time I spent LIVING in the Kingdom."

In the end we will not get:-

- -what's coming to us
- -what we deserve
- -what we have earned

Instead we will get something far greater and then we will understand



BAPTISMS

For baptism of babies, see Fr Jack

Climate change and poverty

Pope Francis congratulated those who "placed the integral ecology proposed by the encyclical *Laudato si'* as the driving force behind all your initiatives". He said "integral ecology" is often misunderstood, pointing out that it is based on this **fundamental concept**: "there is no ecology without equality and there is no equality without ecology".

"Even the pandemic has demonstrated this: the health of humanity cannot be separated from that of the environment in which we live." "It is also clear that climate change not only upsets the balance of nature, but also causes poverty and hunger, afflicting the most vulnerable and sometimes forcing them to leave their land."

"The neglect of creation and social injustices influence each other."

He called on the entire international community -first and foremost its leaders -- to question an economic system whose effects are causing harm to the Earth.

"We need the genuine will to tackle the root causes of the climate upheavals that are happening. Generic commitments are not enough," -- words, words, words -- "and one cannot look only as far as the immediate consent of one's voters or investors." "We need to work today for everyone's future. Young people and the poor will hold us to account."

RETURN TO MASS.

Cardinal Robert Sarah has written to the world's conferences of Catholic bishops, encouraging a return to the "normality of Christian life," in particular to the resumption of regular participation at Mass. Pope Francis approved its publication on September 3rd.

"As soon as circumstances permit, it is necessary and urgent to return to the normality of Christian life, which has the church building as its home and the celebration of the liturgy, especially the Eucharist as 'the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed."

"Internet and television broadcasts alone, risk distancing us from a personal and intimate encounter with the incarnate God who gave himself to us not in a virtual way.

but really."