



**WHITEFRIAR STREET CHURCH**  
*The Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
& Shrine of Saint Valentine, Dublin 2*

October 4, 2020  
Twenty-seventh  
Sunday of Ordinary  
Time

**SACRAMENTS**

(As Dublin is at Level 3)

**Private Prayer**

Monday to Saturday:

11.00am to 2.30pm.

Sunday:

11.30am to 3.15pm

**Masses**

Mass will be available  
live through our website:

Monday to Saturday:

8.00am, 10.00am,

3.00pm

Sunday:

8.00am, 10.30am,

4.00pm

Names can be enrolled  
for Mass and will be  
remembered and prayed  
for on the day requested.

**St Jude Novena**

This continues to be  
celebrated on Tuesdays at  
8.00pm and will be  
livestreamed in our  
website. The blessing  
with the Relics of St Jude  
and of St Thérèse of  
Lisieux will take place.

**Confessions**

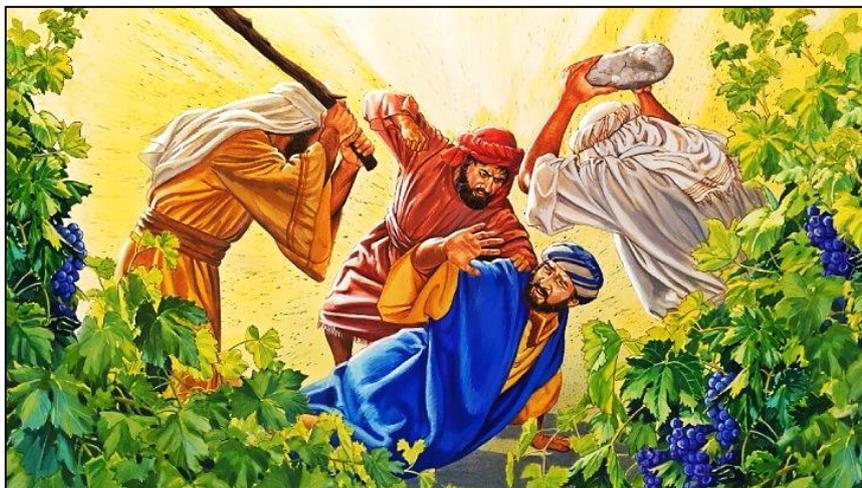
Monday to Saturday:

11.00am to 12.00pm

**Baptisms & Weddings**

Please contact the parish  
office if you have a  
baptism or wedding  
booked at this time.

Join us for liturgy  
through our webcam



*The Parable of the Wicked Tenants*

This weekend we have another parable concerning a vineyard in which a landowner prepares the ground and plants his vines before leasing the vineyard to tenants and then going abroad. Seeing the man as an absentee landlord, the tenants try to take over ownership of the vineyard and beat the owner's messengers and eventually killed his son and heir when they came to visit and collect what was due to the owner.

The parable was very much directed at the chief priests and elders who fell into the Lord's trap at the end of the story and so condemned themselves. Many of the prophets had been treated badly by generations of chief priests and elders who did not like the message being preached, and now they were about to kill the Son of God himself. The chief priests and elders had forgotten that everything belonged to God while they were simply his stewards but, in their own way, had acted as if he was an absentee landlord and so made themselves the focus of the religious practice. By his actions, Jesus was replacing the chief priests with new tenants – the members of the Christian Community led by the apostles who would come to believe in him.

We are reminded that while we may live in the Lord's vineyard here on earth, we still owe worship and thanksgiving to God. We may try at playing gods and indeed we do, but it will get us nowhere if we ignore the one true God from whom all things come and to whom everything belongs. This doesn't just involve worship in church, but every aspect of our lives and life itself, which is sacred from the moment of conception to natural end. All too often people have tried to set God aside in order to justify their denial of the sanctity of human life. This Sunday is also the *Day for Life* and a moment to remind us that all life belongs to God, that it is our duty to do all we can to preserve not just the dignity but the sanctity of every human life.

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### THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 4:	Ordinary Time – Sunday 27
Monday 5:	Ordinary Time – Week 27
Tuesday 6:	Ordinary Time – Week 27
Wednesday 7:	Our Lady of the Rosary
Thursday 8:	Ordinary Time – Week 27
Friday 9:	Ordinary Time – Week 27
Saturday 10:	Ordinary Time – Week 27

### A SAINT OR TWO THIS WEEK...

#### OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

This memorial has been observed since 1571 when the Christians gained victory over the Turks through the intercession of Our Lady at the naval Battle of Lepanto. The Rosary we are very much familiar with is strongly connected to the Dominican Order and legend suggests that St Dominic received it in a vision from Our Lady. However, history suggests that some form of the Rosary existed before St Dominic and its development into the form we know today took some time, though it was very much influenced by the Dominicans. Pope Pius V (a Dominican) officially established the devotion of praying and meditating on the Rosary in 1569.



### MASS OFFICE, CHURCH SHOP & GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Sunday: 10.00am – 2.00pm  
Monday to Friday: 8.30am – 5.00pm.  
Tuesday extra: 7.30pm – 8.15pm  
Saturday: 9.30am – 5.00pm  
Other enquiries: ☎ 01 475 8821  
Email: [shop@whitefriarstrecthurch.ie](mailto:shop@whitefriarstrecthurch.ie)

### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Members meet each Monday evening to consider requests. For those living within our parish, requests can be made by text to 085 789 8699. For those outside the parish, please ring 01 855 0022.

### REMAINING VIGILANT

While Covid-19 is a significant threat, we recommend the following to those coming to our church:

- Wear a face mask or face shield while in the building, even during Mass.
- Sanitise your hands when entering the building.
- Keep a safe distance from others and avoid crowding, particularly at the end of Mass or while lighting candles.
- Receive Holy Communion on the open, clean, bare hand only.
- Follow a one-way system in coming to Holy Communion.
- Follow the instructions of our staff in the church and shop.

People can bring a clean bottle of tap water to church and it can be blessed by a priest, or they can buy a bottle in the Church Shop and we will fill it for them (there is no charge for the holy water).

### NEW ONLINE SHOP

This week we will be making our Church Shop and a selection of its Mass cards, medals, etc., available online through our new online shop. This will make it easier for people in Ireland and abroad to obtain religious items and to also have loved ones and friends enrolled in Masses. Please check our website regularly for updates.

### 2020 DAY FOR LIFE

The purpose of the annual observance promoted by the Catholic Bishops' Conferences in Ireland, Scotland, and England & Wales, is to create awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured and protected from conception to natural death.

Pope Francis sent a message to the bishops urging prayers for all those who work to uphold the value and dignity of each person. He hopes that the current health crisis will lead to the emergence of a culture of life attentive to the protection of all the children of God.

### PARISH OFFICE

For certificates of Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage, or to book a baptism or a wedding.  
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