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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

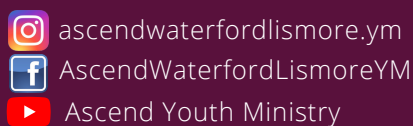
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IDEAS TO
CELEBRATE OUR
LADY'S BIRTHDAY
THIS WEEK!



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Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading:

Wisdom 9:13-18

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 89(90):3-6, 12-14, 17

Second Reading:

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Gospel:

Luke 14: 25-33

"Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

Game Changers

The Catholic Church's Liturgical Calendar is crammed full of inspirational saints and heroes, or as we like to call them, **Game Changers!** Check them out on our web page!

8 Sept The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary
(Check out our ideas for celebrating Our Lady's birthday on our website!)

9 Sept St Ciaran, Abbot

10 Sept St Peter Claver



Reflect



1. Why do you think Jesus spoke about the demands of discipleship to the large crowd following Him?
2. What does a disciple of Jesus have to be willing to carry?
3. Do you think Jesus means to literally hate your family? What could He mean by this statement?
4. What two examples does Jesus to make the point "don't start what you can't finish"?
5. What could that teach us about faith and commitment?

CHECK IT OUT: LITTLE NELLIE'S BABY BANK



Little Nellie's Baby Bank is an initiative established in the diocese to provide material support for expectant mothers and families in need. The name was inspired by Waterford's Ellen Organ, also known as "Little Nellie of Holy God". Little Nellie's Baby Bank provides: Clothing - Buggies - Nappies - Baby Equipment. Contact: babybank@waterfordlismore.ie / 085 862 3705. Follow on Facebook to see what we have in stock.



"Life's too short to be lukewarm."

Matt Redman

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS?

Jesus speaks some hard-hitting words in today's Gospel. He leaves us with no doubt as to the demands of discipleship. Just believing in God isn't enough - that belief needs to be matched by our actions and choices we make, by the priorities we set. Is Jesus a priority in my life? Is He THE priority? Is Heaven my goal? The idea of taking up a cross sounds so uncomfortable, and so contrary to the messages we hear in the world today: to relax, take it easy, "You're worth it!", take the shortcut, do the minimum. Christianity is never about minimum participation... but it's not about minimum rewards either. The cost of discipleship might seem high, but the prize is happiness with our loving Father, beyond anything we can possibly imagine, and for all eternity!

So many inspiring people have gone before us to show us that this kind of life is possible. Jesus said "take up your cross", not "My Cross". Whatever we have to carry in our lives, whether we chose it or not, is possible to carry through God's grace. If we unite our sufferings with Jesus, they become incredibly powerful, and Jesus can do great things in our hearts and in the lives of others.

Puzzled?

army
brothers
build
carry your cross
children
come after Me
complete
cost
crowds
disciple
father
foundation
Jesus
king
life
mother
peace
possessions
sisters
tower
war
wife

FIND THE FOLLOWING WORDS RELATED TO THE GOSPEL IN THE WORD SEARCH. CHECK IF YOU KNOW HOW THEY LINK TO THE STORY!

J R A W S K B T K H Q K J A W Z N F E A
H E D P C S G P M Y S P W A K A Z O U I
K W M G M O O S M B A W I G C B W U O V
T O I A M U M R R B E Y I A C X T N W B
P T C D M R A P C E T C D G Q B D D I J
E L P I C S I D L R T E A C W F N A F Z
V Y W Z I D A C D E U S A E Z G J T E N
T Q G N V V K Y C E T O I Q P H C I X X
X H C H E I F H S C H E Y S B N Z O O H
O H L J N G I V N L J Q D Y C S T N X U
M D U G I L L L O L F R W P R H B Z G T
J O Z H D A X H I S R E H T O R B H M
X F T R F U J O S C E X P G D B A B P B
R Z E H D W V D S V F B Z N Y V Y C Y X
U N U L E C R W E Y I L X H C J D I G S
T E I V R R C O S T L F A T H E R M B Z
Q U N O A X K P S W D G M M V S W B M L
B T W X M K B I O I B O E D P U I D L I
K D O B J B K I P Q Y Q P A Y S Z T B P
S C O M E A F T E R M E P V L V R W O

Pick one line from the gospel to reflect on this week!



TUNE OF THE WEEK



When All is Said and Done

Matt Redman



WEEKLY CHALLENGE:

Learn about Fr Emil Kapaun this week, and how much he was willing to do to be a disciple of Christ.

Click here for the resource!

Check out our weekly resource pack on pg 3-4!

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[Real Life Catholic: Fr Emil Kapaun](#)



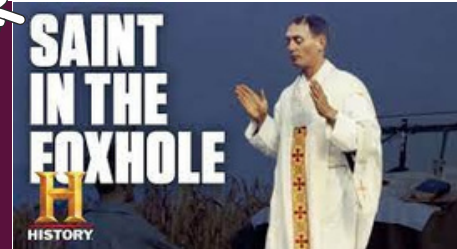
Young Person's Prayer



Jesus, Lord and Friend, teach us how to commit ourselves to following You each day; taking up our cross, for Your sake, and trusting that You are with us every step of the way. Amen



FR EMIL KAPAUN



WHAT'S ON

Monthly Cherished Evening of Prayer & Fellowship for women aged 18-50, Mon 12th Sept at Holy Family Mission. Rosary @7.30pm, Mass @ 8.00pm followed by tea/coffee and lots of chat! For more info contact Shauna (087) 1378364.

"Get used to Different" - Weekend Retreat based on "The Chosen" TV Series: Sept 30th - Oct 2nd. Glencomeragh Retreat Centre. Full Board Accommodation €195. To book (052) 6133181 or email info@holymission.ie / For more info on the retreat 087 4042784 / www.waterfordlismore.ie

The Chosen: Zoom Series, Season 2: TUESDAY nights, 8 - 9.15pm, 4 - 29 October - www.waterfordlismore.ie for more information or [click here to sign up](#)