

Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more;



St Oliver Plunkett (centre) with St Fintan on his left and St Laurence O'Toole on his right Right hand side over the altar.

Saint Oliver Plunkett (1st November 1625 - 1st July 1681) was the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland. He maintained his duties in Ireland in the face of English persecution and was eventually arrested and tried for treason in London. He was hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn on 1 July 1681, and became the last Roman Catholic martyr to die in England. Oliver Plunkett was beatified in 1920 and canonised in 1975, the first new Irish saint for almost seven hundred years. The National Shrine to Saint Oliver Plunkett is located at Saint Peter's Church in Drogheda,.

Saints of the Week

Mon 28 St Irenaeus, bishop and martyr
Tues 29 SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Wed 30 The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Thurs 1 July St Oliver Plunkett, bishop and martyr

Sat 3 July ST THOMAS, APOSTLE



One of the greatest Italian painters of the Middle Ages was Duccio di Buoninsegna (1255-1319) Greatest of all his works is

the **Maestà** (1311), the altarpiece of the Siena Cathedral, completed in 1311. This double sided panel includes a representation of the scene referred to in John 20-28 where Thomas doubted the Resurrection, until he could see and feel the wounds received by Jesus on the cross.

When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe'.

John 20:25



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So he went in and said to them, 'Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep'
Mk 5:39

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 10am Mass 27th June 2021:-
Being recorded for later transmission that day on the RTE News Channel

Sunday 11.30 am Mass 27th June 2021:
Evelyn Condon – Months Mind
Ben Lannoye - Anniversary
Ena Mitchell - 2nd Anniversary.
Other intentions
Anniversaries:-
Mollie Murphy – 21st Anniversary
Monica O' Flynn
Kathleen & Alfred Walsh
Veronica Cullen
Ann O' Sullivan



blood that flows through my veins and the life that I have come directly from Divine origins. With this knowledge of who God is and who I am, I can open my ears and hear the powerful words Jesus speaks, "Do not be afraid, just have faith." Trust begins.

When we are struggling, we naturally reach out for God because we know that a divine remedy is the only remedy. But, in doing so we wrestle with letting God take charge. We want something more miraculous and visible than the obvious and have difficulty in finding consolation simply resting in God's presence. Our naked being, stripped of any pretense or self-serving agenda, is being called to rest in and love the uncreated Presence of God. Reach out in love to God. Ask God to heal you from all that separates you from Him. Put aside any ideas of God that create barriers between you and God's tender and endearing presence. The Cloud of Unknowing leaves us with wisdom, "think of yourself and of him in the same way, that is, with the simple awareness that he is as he is and that you are as you are." This is a meeting of two friends who desire nothing more than to share life together.

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The Cloud of Unknowing (Middle English: *The Cloude of Unknowyng*) is an anonymous work of Christian mysticism written in Middle English in the latter half of the 14th century

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The author of The Cloud of Unknowing prays, "That which I am and the way that I am, with all my gifts of nature and grace, you have given to me, O Lord, and you are all this. I offer it all to you, principally to praise you and to help my fellow Christians and myself." Knowing that God sustains us in being is the key to faith. All that we need to do is to love God as God is and the rest will begin to fall into place. God made us in His image and desires that we be healed of all of our wounds, especially those caused by sin, and know his loving touch. Being weighed down by negativity, imperfections, the cares of the world, and weakness is not something that God desires.

Faith can profoundly change how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It gives a clearer lens through which to see life and connects us with the powerful virtues of love and hope. Three friends journeying with us through all that we encounter, faith, hope, and love, help us experience God's embrace and heal us. All we have to do is let God be who God is and not foolishly try to make Him into what we need or want Him to be. Without God we cease to be. It's that simple. The very

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FIRST READING

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. (Wis 1:13-15;2:23-24)

PSALM

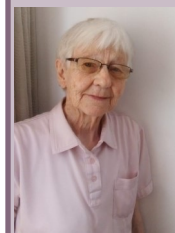
I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not left my enemies rejoice over me. (Ps 29:2.4-6.11-13)

SECOND READING

You always have the most of everything - of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection -so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. (2 Cor 8:7.9.13-15)

GOSPEL

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. (Mk 5:21-43)



Warm greetings from Lima. Some time ago I had a letter from Sister Rionach bringing us the wonderful news of Foxrock's generosity. There has been such political upheaval here and it affects life considerably. We have been rejoicing at Rionach's news and are so glad to be able to bring help to many who are caught in the web of covid and its effects. Our numbers of casualties continue high and

we are as confined as of a year ago. However there are ways and means of helping the ollas comunes - soup kitchens I suppose you would call them, and we contribute to the buying of oxygen. The shortage of oxygen has been the cause of numerous deaths. We have lost good friends. My best, most sincere thanks once again for the generosity of the Foxrock parish community. I wish you could see the joy on the faces of mothers receiving food parcels for their families.

Sr Winifride



Fr.Kieran has kindly given our Conference permission to resume our monthly

Church Gate collections, commencing next weekend. (July 3/4) Apart from our Annual Appeal this will be our first collection since February 2020 and two of our members will be outside in the Church grounds. Donations, regardless of amount will help ease the burden on families in need in our area.