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12th Sunday in Ordinary time, June 23 2024

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41



In today's Gospel, Mark assures first-century believers that nothing can harm the Church as long as the risen Lord is with them. He describes how, by a single commanding word, Jesus stilled a storm on the Sea of Galilee, returned the sea to its natural order, and saved the apostles from drowning. The incident reminds us that Jesus, resting in our life's boat, is always ready to help us in the storms of life. Let us always call on him with faith.

The allegoric meaning:

Many of the Fathers of the Church consider this miracle story as an allegory of the early Church. The boat in the stormy lake is a symbol of the Church (Barque of Peter), facing challenges and heresies from inside and various forms of suppression and persecution from outside. The early Church faced fierce persecution in the first three centuries. A calm period followed, but that period was plagued with heresies, culminating in the Protestant Reformation Movement.

Remember the pastoral visit of our Bishop this Sunday: 23/6/2024

The faithful in such situations wondered if Jesus had deserted the Church. But in their desperate cry for help they were able to experience the inner peace and strength of Jesus. Very often the Church and the faithful have no control over the political and social developments of our society. But, no matter what we are experiencing, we can — with the help of Jesus — find peace. It is the peace which only Jesus can give. And it is a peace which no person, no thing, and no situation can take away from us.

LIFE MESSAGE

We need to remember that Jesus is always with us in the boat of our life. 1) We all experience different types of violent storms in our lives: physical storms, emotional storms, and spiritual storms. We face storms of sorrow, doubt, anxiety, worry, temptation, and passion. Only Jesus can still these storms. Jesus can give us real peace in the storm of sorrow. 2) When we are totally depressed with sorrow Jesus assures us of the glory of the life to come. He consoles us at the loss of our dear ones with the assurance of eternal life for them.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Most sacred Heart of
Jesus, pour down Your
blessings abundantly on
Your holy Church, on the
Supreme Pontiff, and on
all the clergy. Grant
perseverance to the just,
convert sinners, enlighten
infidels, bless our parents,
friends, and benefactors,
assist the dying, free the
souls in purgatory, and
extend over all hearts the
sweet empire of Your love.
Amen.



The Month of June is Dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Anima Christi:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, Wash me.
Passion of Christ, Strengthen me.
O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you. That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever. Amen



Mass Times

Mass Times			60	Say	your daily	
Saturday 22 June	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory			y for peace the world	
SUNDAY 23 June	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners Kate Turner	Called to the Priesthood - Have you considered a vocation to the Diocesan Priesthood in imitation of Jesus the Good Shepherd? For more information see our website atshrewsburyvocations.org If you would like to explore God's call for your life and learn about other opportunities for discernment, please email the diocesan vocations director at vocationsdirectoredioceseofshrewsbury.org For more resources, see the National Office for Vocation at www.ukvocation.org and www.ukpriest.org			
Monday 24 June NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	10:00am	Shirley Meehan				
Tuesday 25 June	10:00am	J C				
Wednesday 26 June St. Josemaria Escriva	Sacristy	private intentions				
Thursday 27 June St. Cyril of Alexandria.	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests	Roland F	Richard nrimplin	Sun.11:00am Liz Greaves	
Friday 28 June St. Irenaeus	6:00PM	Vocations	Mass Offering for	Offering for June 16 —£309.07		
Saturday 29 June	6:30PM	Sylvia & Kenneth Shore James Ward	Confession is So	tanding orders————£118.25 Infession is Saturdays 5-6pm, 30mins Inference and after mass and on request.		
Sunday 30 June	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners	perore and affe	r mass a	na on request.	

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke