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### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	10:00am	James Dermody RIP
Tuesday	10:00am	Una White RIP
Wednesday	7:00pm	Intention of Felisha
Thursday	10:00am	Gabrielle RIP
Friday	10:00am	Forgiveness & Compassion
Saturday	6:00pm	People of the Parish

### *Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Sunday	8:30am	Intention of John Hazel
	10:00am	Anthony RIP
	12:00noon	John Brown RIP

### VATICAN TWO

Vatican two finished in 1963 before many of you were born. It revamped the whole church and gave a guide for the future.

Two big things that happened which people are aware of were:-

1. The change from mass in Latin to mass in the vernacular/local language.
2. The altar turned around to face the people, both of these happened but little else. I think there were 16 major documents in all, most people, sadly have never heard of them.

One big shift was the change from seeing the church as a hierarchical model, pope on top followed by bishops, priests and people, to the church as THE PEOPLE OF GOD, the people (pope, priests, people) united around the Eucharist with Christ as the head and centre and the pope as a uniting force.

Church councils were set up, but overall had no real clout. Forgive me if I seem to overstate my case but necessary for clarity.

Now the pope is trying again to introduce it as a Synodal Church, a Church which listens, which realizes that listening "is more than simply hearing". It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn. The faithful people, the college of bishops, the Bishop of Rome: all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the "Spirit of truth" (Jn 14:17), in order to know what he "says to the Churches" (Rev 2:7).

Basically, as when I asked the communion children to spell church for me with **two letters**.....Emmanuel shot his hand up and said..? Can you do it? £10 to the first person who texts me the correct answer!

### Fr Jack

Today, Jesus gives us the greatest gift of all - Himself. No presents, no money, no wrappings but his very self.

How honoured and privileged we truly are. Fed with this food we have a recipe and strength for life and happiness.

To be happy.....Follow His example

To be rich.....Give

To succeed.....Serve

To laugh.....Make someone laugh

To prosper.....Be honest

To excel.....Be faithful

To change someone...Change yourself

To be great.....Be disciplined

To be strong.....Pray often

To live well.....Forgive

To talk well.....Bind anger

To sleep well.....Work hard

To be loved.....Love

To be respected.....Be polite

To grow in faith.....Meditate on the word of God

Deeply pause.....To deeply reflect

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are happening at the moment.

Book yours.

### MONEY MATTERS

Many, many people have signed a standing order for the parish. Sincere thanks. It saves a lot of work. Do you want to do yours? All forms are available on the web site. Or I am available.

For those who still want to use envelopes they are available at the back of church today. Please collect yours. If you have old envelopes you can still use them. The number on the envelope is yours forever. Even if you have done a standing order that number is still yours.

**I HOPE THIS WILL BE OUR LAST YEAR DOING ENVELOPES.**

*Life is really simple but we insist on making it complicated.*

### CONFESSION

I will be in the office every Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4pm for confession, chat, form signing etc. No appointment necessary.