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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2022

23rd Jan—30th Jan

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2022 is 'Catholic Schools. Living Life to the Full'. Resources available online on www.catholicbishops.ie.

'One of the unique features of our Primary Schools is the integrated curriculum, usually taught by a single class teacher. It is a recognition that truth cannot be compartmentalised. Each subject enriches the others... Neither are our schools cut off from the communities in which they are situated. Increasingly they tap into the wisdom of parents and grandparents. They work closely with our parishes' (Bishop Kevin Doran)



**Catholic Schools:
Living Life to the Full**
23 JANUARY – 30 JANUARY 2022



MONDAY
Living Life to the Full with God

TUESDAY
Living Life to the Full Together

WEDNESDAY
(Grandparents' Day)
Celebrating Being Together Again

THURSDAY
Living Life in Wonder and Awe

FRIDAY
Living Life and Facing the Future



11th – 19th February 2022 (Fri – Sat)

Weekdays: 10.00am

Sunday (13th Feb): 3.00pm

Preacher: Fr Colm Mannion OP

St. Mary's Priory, Tallaght
(Director of Vocations and Provincial Promoter of the Rosary)

Mass Schedule

- **Weekdays** – 8.00am, 10.00am and 1.00pm
- **Saturday** – 8.00am and 10.00am + Vigil Sunday Mass 7.30pm
- **Sunday** – 8.00am, 10.00am, 12.00pm and 6.00pm
- **Polish Mass** – 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 4.30pm

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PRIORY NEWSLETTER

St. Mary's Dominican Priory - Tallaght, 3rd Sunday of the Year (C), 23rd JAN 2022

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Within the heart of the liturgy

In today's gospel reading we are in the heart of the Sabbath morning liturgy. When Jesus gets up in the synagogue of Nazareth to do the prophetic reading, the reading of the Torah and the prayers included in the first part of the rite have already been proclaimed. It is in the scroll of the Prophet Isaiah that Jesus finds the foundational scriptural passage of his mission. Who knows how many times the Jewish faithful have heard and prayed these prophetic words that announce grace, mercy, justice and fraternity? We note that the prophetic text he reads speaks directly, not in the third person but in the first person: "The spirit of the Lord has been given to me for he has anointed me. He has sent me..." But of whom does the Prophet speak, "is the prophet referring to himself or someone else?"

The "today" of Jesus

There are moments of silence, everyone is holding their breath (...) What will he say in the homily? However, Jesus does not preach, he does not comment on the text, he declares instead its fulfilment: "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.". Jesus himself is the fulfilment of the Scripture, he is the one consecrated with the anointing of the Spirit, sent to bring the Good News to the poor. He is the 'year of favour', the 'jubilee' who forgives debts, sets prisoners free, makes the poor rejoice and 'mother earth' breathe,



she too is in need of rest and liberation.

In the synagogue of Nazareth, the verb of fulfilling of fullness resounds: "This text is being fulfilled today" (...) The time of the promise opens to the "today" of Jesus, a "today" that runs through the entire Gospel of Luke, from Bethlehem to the cross: "Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you" (2:11); "Today salvation has come to this house" (19:9); "Today you will be with me in Paradise" (23:43).

From seeing to hearing.

Note also the shift from 'eyes' to 'ears'. The faithful present in the synagogue wanted to see ("And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him."), but Jesus leads them back to the biblical primacy of listening: "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen." Today we too are challenged to move from the curiosity of seeing to the faith that comes from listening to the Word (Rom 10:17). Let us therefore activate the 'beatitude of listening'! Only those who listen to the Word with faith, with all their hearts and with all their lives, will be able to be its witnesses and credible heralds.

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