## SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Luke 12:13-21

- 1. 'One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions', said Jesus. What have you found by experience to be more important in life than possessions? What brought this home to you?
- 2. 'Be on your guard against all kinds of greed'. Perhaps you have seen how greed can lead to trouble in public life, in family life, and in the personal life of individuals. What has helped you to guard against greed? What benefits have you experienced when you were less greedy?
- 3. The message of the parable could be summed up in saying 'If you want to give God a laugh, tell him your plans'. Life takes many twists and turns we do not anticipate. When have you found that you have had to change your plans because of unexpected circumstances? What has helped you to be flexible and resourceful at such times?

John Byrne osa

## **MUSINGS**

'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' (Luke 12:13)

Most parents have to deal occasionally with fighting children. One child has stolen the other's toy, so the parent has to arbitrate. Parents learn to intervene in such a way that all of life will not be spent supplying such judgments. They hope their children will learn that it's usually easier to sort things out instead of relying on another authority to do it.

The aggrieved brother in this Gospel had evidently never learned this lesson. so he comes to a figure of authority to sort things for him. Jesus, the wise master, refuses to be drawn in. Instead, he issues a ruling that might apply to each brother: Beware of avarice, there's no security in possessions. I wonder what happened to the complaining brother. Did he seek another authority who might give a more favourable judgment? Or did he listen, take Jesus' words to heart and follow?

Jesus, help me to be content with my life. Help me to trust in your loving care, every step of the way. Fr Bernard Cotter

St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold their monthly collection at all masses on Saturday / Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>&7<sup>th</sup> August.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes. St. Mary's Senior Pilgrimage to Lourdes: August 28th for five nights. Flight from Shannon, transfers, hotel and all meals 715 pps.

Year of Mercy Limerick / Clare / Galway **Group 3 Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg on** August Bank Holiday Weekend 30<sup>th</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> August Bus leaves Arthurs Quay Limerick at 6am with pickup available in Ennis, Gort, Oranmore, Claregalway, Tuam, Knock and Sligo. Contact James Treacy on 0860572216 or 061921470

The Logo for the Year of Mercy: The Motto 'merciful' like the Father, Luke 6:36, it serves as an invitation to give Love and Forgiveness without measure. The Logo represents the son having on his shoulders the lost soul. He takes humanity upon himself. We notice that the shepherd's eyes are merged with those of man. Every person discovers in Christ ones own humanity, and the future that lies ahead, contemplating in his gaze the love of the Father.

**Marian Pilgrimages** 

**Pilgrimages to Lourdes departing September** 7<sup>th</sup>,18<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Further information from; www.marian.ie, Dublin 018788159.

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17:00-17:30 Mon & Tue 09:00-12.30 Sunday

Mass Times: Weekends:

Saturday Vigil 18:00

Sunday 10:00: 11:30

Weekdays:

Mon. to Friday. (inclusive) 10:00

9.45 a.m. Saturday

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** 

Monday 18:15-19:00 from September Friday 10:30-17:30 (from September)

Meditation: Monday 19.00 Baptisms: Saturday 17:00 Sunday 12:15

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, 30th. 18:00 Rita Spring Rec. Dec. Pat Hegarty (A) Jack & Anne Marnell (A) Dan Hickey(A) 10:00 Sun 31st.

> Martin Horkan (A) 11.30

Betty O'Flaherty Bir. Rem. Debbie Brosnan Rec. Dec. Tue 2nd 10.00

10:00

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup>. 10:00 Thur 4th 10:00

Mon 1st.

Fri. 5th 10.00 Fr. Noel Winston (A) Jim Mc Quinlivan (A) Sat 6th 9.45 Maureen Moran 1st A.. 18:00

Sun 7th Nora Casey (A) 10:00

11:30 Peggy Mc Carthy (A)

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