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12th Sunday of YearCatholic Centre
Broadcast

Good morning, from the chapel at the Catholic Centre. In a few moments, the Mass for today will be beginning here; and we'd like to invite you to join in spirit with the people gathered here this morning, in their prayer and praise to God our Father on this Day of the Lord. We're marking today the 12th ordinary Sunday of the year ... though in fact today is also the Festival-day of the birth of John the Baptist. After the long Easter season and the special festival Sundays that follow it, we return now to the ordinary Sundays; ordinary in the sense that they represent and celebrate the on-going life of the Church in time, between the Pentecost giving of the Holy Spirit and the Second Coming of Christ in eternal majesty. In the Mass for today, the first of the three scripture readings is from the Book of Job, a short piece chosen for its echoes of the Gospel reading, from St Mark, about Jesus calming the storm and stilling the sea. Before the scriptures, though, prayer and praise to God; beginning with a preparatory penance-rite now, as the priest comes to the altar and the Entry Song is sung by the choir from Rosaryhill School.

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Intro; Kyrie; Gloria: ORATIO

The Assembly Prayer for today's celebration.

Now the scripture readings; with a responsory from Ps 106 between the first two.

CREED : After the Word of God, in scripture and the homily given by Fr Anthony Farren, celebrant here this morning, the Creed is said, a profession of faith in God.

OFFERTORY: The Prayers of General Intercession, ending the first section of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Word: prayer and holy scripture. Going to the altar now, the priest begins the preparation for the second section of the Mass, the liturgy of the Eucharist; offering and joining with Christ's own sacrifice and Sacrament. The priest receives the congregation's gifts of bread and wine, preparing them for the prayer and action of the Eucharist.

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PREFACE: The formal Prayer over the Gifts, for this 12th ordinary Sunday of the year. Now comes the central action and prayer of the Eucharist, beginning with an invitation to participate and the Sunday thanksgiving preface.

PER IPSUM: After the central prayer and action of the Eucharist, the rite of Holy Communion, beginning with praying the Lord's Prayer.

COMMUNION: At the altar now, the priest himself first takes in Holy Communion the Body and Blood of Christ. As he does so, those in the congregation here wishing to share in this Sacrament of Christ's life and love begin to approach the altar-rail. In a moment or two, the giving of Holy Communion will begin; and then as the people go and return to their places there is a short time of quiet, for personal prayer and reflection. At this time, you may like to make your own prayer in communion of spirit with Christ present with you. Perhaps to reflect again on the Gospel we listened to earlier, and on this sacrament of the Eucharist where Christ's very special presence brings the power of His grace to heal and to give strength.... Christ whose presence and word calmed the wind

and sea here comes to be Himself our strength of faith,
nourishment of hope and the heart of our loving, caring and
sharing with others in our love for God our Father.

A prayer from ... (QQ. ECP 209 ff)

CHOIR

END: The giving of Holy Communion is now completed and the priest,
has returned to the altar. There he cleans and puts away the
vessels used during this Eucharist, and gives a few moments
to private prayer and reflection. Then he will recite the
concluding Thanksgiving Prayer and give the Blessing.

The Blessing and Dismissal end the celebration of Mass for
this Sunday. And as the priest leaves the altar, the people
begin to disperse as a recessional song is sung. You've been
listening to this broadcast direct from the chapel at the
Catholic Centre, in Connaught Rd., Central.