

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already

getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.” ¹⁶ Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered. ¹⁸ “Bring them here to me,” he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Hymn CH647: Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

EuroShop Talk

Song: One Basket

Today is the day for which I've been waitin'.
Jesus is a' preachin' and I'm goin' there.
I'm packin' my lunch; it won't be empty.
I'm bringin' plenty so that I can share!

One basket, two fish and five loaves of barley bread.

Now we're miles from home, with nothing to eat.
Listening to Jesus has been such a treat.
There are thousands of people, as far as I see,
But the only food for miles around has come with me! Just...

One basket, two fish and five loaves of barley bread.

At the feet of Jesus, I lay down to share
My basket, and I'm sorry that there's not more there,
But Jesus just smiled, "I thank you, my child,"
And lifting up my little lunch began His prayer, for . . .
Now the basket was bulging with fish and with bread.
Something special happened by the prayer He said.
When the dinner was over, our bellies were full.
Everyone agreed it was a miracle! for . . .

One basket, two fish and five loaves of barley bread.

One basket, 200 fish and 500 loaves of barley bread!

One basket, 2000 fish and 5000 loaves of barley bread!

Prayers of Intercession

At the end of each prayer: Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers: Merciful Father **accept these prayers for the sake of you Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

Announcements

Offertory and Communion Hymn CH428: Let Us Break Bread Together

Celebrating at the Lord's Table (Book of Common Prayer – P208)

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us: **therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

Communion Prayer 2 (Book of Common Prayer – P212)

The Lord is here: **His Spirit is with us.** Lift up your hearts: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour, thanks and praise be given to you at all times and in all places...
...for ever praising you and saying: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful Father, we thank you for these gifts of your creation... ..and we look for his coming to fulfil all things according to your will. **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Renew us by your Holy Spirit... ..in songs of never-ending praise: **Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread (Book of Common Prayer – P218)

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Invitation and Giving of Communion

The Great Silence

A period of silent reflection is kept after communion.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope. Teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. **Amen.**

Closing Blessing

Dismissal

Go in peace to Love and Serve the Lord: **In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

Virginia Group - Weekly Announcements

Hospital Visits

If you or someone you know is in hospital and you would like a visit please let the Rector know.

Announcements: Diocesan/Community

Virginia Ramblers are away on holidays for the month of August. Walks will resume on Wednesday September 6th, starting with Deerpark Forest at 7.00 pm on that date.

Services

August as normal.

Upcoming Dates: Killinkere 200th Anniversary Service: 10th September 2017 at 3.30pm. (NO MORNING SERVICES THAT DAY).

Harvest Dates: Virginia 24th September at 8pm (Revd William Stacey), Munterconnaught 1st October at 4pm (Revd Ken Gibson - Leprosy Mission), Billis 8th October at 3pm (Revd Simon Scott), Killinkere 15th October at 3pm (David Turner - Church In Chains).

Date of Confirmation: This year's confirmation service will be in **Virginia Church on Sunday 26th November 2017 at 10.45am.** Date of confirmation classes to be confirmed.

Announcements: Parish General

Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you know someone who might like a shawl (e.g. ill or bereaved) contact Ivy Stewart (049) 8545036 or Vida McCauley (049) 8548465.

Bowling Club: Monday's in Billis Hall at 8pm. Finished Until September.

Girls' Friendly Society: Finished Until September.

Grazers Youth: Finished Until September.

Giggles & Wrigglers (Baby & Toddler Group): Finished Until September.

Whist Drives: August 8th and 22nd 2017 from 9pm in Virginia Hall.

Car Boot Sale: Saturday 19th August 2017. Cars €10, Cars and Trailers/Vans €15. Gates open 8am.

JOY (Just Older Youth): Our next monthly Joy meeting takes place on **Wednesday 6th September 2017** in Virginia Parish Hall from **2.30pm to 4pm.** A time to catch up, chat, enjoy a cuppa...

Monthly Prayer Focus

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia, The Anglican Church of Australia, The Church of Bangladesh, Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. **Church of Ireland Diocese:** Armagh: Archbishop Richard Clarke. **Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh Diocese:** Bishop Ferran Glenfield **KEA Children's and Youth Co-Ordinators:** Hannah O'Neill and Marion Edwards. **Florencecourt:** Revd Ruth West (New Rector) (Florencecourt, Killesher, Killinagh). **Sligo Cathedral Group:** Dean Arfon Williams (St. John's Cathedral, Knocknarea, Rosses Point). **Other Local Churches:** Mary Immaculate - Virginia, Maghera, Clanaphilip, Killinkere, Munterconnaught. Belassis. Redeemed Church of God, Word of Life. **Parish/Townlands:** Aghacashel, Aghaloughan, Aghnadrung, Assan, Ballaghanea, Ballaghdorragh, Beagh Glebe, Behernagh, Billis.

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