# **Parish Liturgical Events**

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Peggy Morris (Shandon Road). Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. **Amen.** 

## **Sunday Masses**

6.30pm - Saturday Vigil

8.00am - General

10.00am - General

11.30am - Family Mass

All are invited to come along, children, parents and grandparents.

**2.15pm - African Mass**1st Sunday of each month.

**4.00pm - Indian Mass** 2nd Sunday of each month.

6.30pm - Young Adults Mass

## Sunday

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of Migrants & Refugees St Anthony, abbot is not celebrated this year

## **Monday**

Evening Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm A Word on the Word 7.30pm

# Tuesday

Patrician Meeting - St Peter's Club 7.30pm

## Wednesday

St Fabian, pope & martyr & St Sebastian, martyr

## Thursday

St Agnes, virgin & martyr
Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

## **Friday**

St Vincent, deacon & martyr

# Sunday

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

### Readings

Neh 8:2-6, 8-10. Ps 18:8-10, 15, R/ Jn 6:63. 1 Cor 12:12-30. Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21.

"Relieve your mind of all that is troubling you; God will take care of it."

St Vincent de Paul



## **Mass Times**

#### **Sunday**

Sat vigil (6.30pm) 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am & 6.30pm

#### Monday - Saturday

10.30am

(& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, ex Bank Holidays)

#### **Holy Day**

10.30am & 6.30pm

## Confessions

Saturday, immediately following the 10.30am Mass and at the Parish Office by request

# Parish Clergy

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# St Peter's, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

#### **WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES**

During this past year we have watched, in almost disbelief, as hundreds of thousands of people flee their homes in Syria and other parts of the world. The image of three year old Aylan Kurdi, washed up on a beach last August as his family attempted to reach safety, caused complete outrage around the world. For a while we reacted and acted and called for an immediate response from our governments. Not since WWII have so many people been forced from their homes. So much can be said today about this crisis and we must continue to ask ourselves: how can we respond?

We must always be ready to welcome the refugee and migrant. Our faith is one of hospitality, compassion and mercy. In the Gospel today, Mary urges the disciples to 'do whatever He tells you' and we see Jesus perform a sign that shows he has come for the transformation of that which causes barriers to God's Kingdom. The refugee crisis may challenge us but as people of the Gospel of Mercy, we must respond:

'Mercy nourishes and strengthens solidarity towards others as a necessary response to God's gracious love. Each of us is responsible for his or her neighbour: we are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they live. Concern for fostering good relationships with others and the ability to overcome prejudice and fear are essential ingredients for promoting the culture of encounter, in which we are not only prepared to give, but also to receive from others. Hospitality, in fact, grows from both giving and receiving.'

Pope Francis

Jane Mellett Taken from (Intercom)

## Monday Novena

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

The Miraculous Medal Novena continues on Monday evenings (ex Bank Holidays) at 7.00pm. All are encouraged to attend.

## **AMM Meeting**

The Association of the Miraculous Medal will hold their next monthly meeting on Monday, 18 January in the Church directly after the Novena. All are most welcome.

#### A Word on the Word

Held on Monday's at 7.30pm in St Peter's Club, the sessions will focus on Old and New Testament texts to do with mercy.

## Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 19 January in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'The Joy of the New Year'. All are welcome.

#### Cuidiu

Cuidiu Breastfeeding Group welcomes all mothers and babies on Wednesday's from 10.00am - 11.30am in St Peter's Club (entrance at car park on Cabra Rd). Cuidiu is a voluntary support group where you can meet other mothers, socialise, get advice, learn and make new friends. Cost: €4 per session (members €2). Phone Ann Rigney at 087 983 2433 or go to: www.cuidiu.ie for more details.

Join us as we Pray for Vocations
On Thursday's after Mass the Vincentian
Community here in St Peter's invites you
to join with them in prayer before the
Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the
Vincentian Community in Ireland.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity This years' inaugural service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place at 8.00pm on Monday, 18 January in St Paul's Church, Arran Quay, Leaders of around 14 different Christian traditions will be present, including Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. The homily is being given by the Very Rev. Dr Kenneth Newell OBE, former Moderator of the Fitzrov Presbyterian Church, Belfast, well-known for his commitment to peace-making. St Paul's Church is on the Liffeyside, not far from the Four Courts, close to the LUAS Smithfield stop. On-street parking in the Smithfield area is free after 7.00pm. Prayer Resources for the week (both in English and Irish) are available from the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland website: ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-ofprayer-for-christian-unity-2016. They come in PDF and Word formats and feature prayers and reflections for every day.

# VLM Fundraising Events

#### Raffle

Supporting VLM and the Ambo Lazarist School for the Deaf, Ethiopia.

1st Prize - Apple iPad Air2
2nd Prize - Ted Baker Watch
3rd Prize - Artisan Food Hamper
Draw takes place Thursday, 21 January
in St Vincent's Castleknock College.
Tickets €2.00 from the Parish Office.

#### **Table Quiz**

The VLM's (Vincentian Lay Missionaries) annual Table Quiz has been gathering momentum! Why not challenge your colleagues or friends to a trivia night? There will be questions to suit everyone, spot prizes for lucky teams and cash prizes for the winners. Join us in The Church Cafe Bar, Jervis Street on Thursday, 4 February at 7.00pm. Teams - €10 per person.

### The African Run Ireland

Grab your runners on 27 February 2016 and sign up to take part in the first ever African Run Ireland which will take place in the beautiful surroundings of St Anne's Park. For more information get in touch with Mary-Anne in our office or email: fundraising@vlm.ie.

## 2016 Calendars

Church Art Calendars for 2016 are still available from the Parish Office and the Repository priced €2 each.

## Weekly Envelopes

For those of you that haven't collected your weekly envelope boxes for 2016 they are available from the Parish Office.

# Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (10 Jan) = €1,269.67Share (10 Jan) = €473.70Thank you very much for your support.

## **Church Gate Collections**

As the collection for essential Church Repairs did not take place on the first Sunday of January, it will take place this weekend (17 January) instead.

Next week's will be in aid of the Ladies of Charity. Founded in1617 by St Vincent de Paul at Chatillon sur Chararonne (France) they seek to help those in need in the local area. Their only source of funding is the monthly collection, every cent of which is greatly appreciated.

## World Day of the Sick 2016

The annual Conference will take place on Saturday, 6 February from 10.00am to 1.00pm at the Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan. Speakers include Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Bishop Donal Murray and Professor J. Bernard Walsh, who will reflect on the Lourdes experience. For further information contact Trish Conway on 087 6220349. The *Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick* is on Sunday, 7 February at 3.00pm in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Merrion Road (opposite St Vincent's Hospital). Main Celebrant: Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. All are welcome to attend.