# **Parish Liturgical Events**

## In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Colm Costello (shandon Road) and Joan O'Callaghan (Cork and Dublin). 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

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time** St Mel, bishop & **BI. Rosalie Rendu DC, virgin** are not celebrated this year

### Monday

St Jerome Emiliani, patron saint of orphans St Josephine Bakhita, virgin Evening Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Ash Wednesday Day of Fast & Abstinence St Scholastica, virgin is not celebrated this year Masses: 7.30am, 10.30am & 6.30pm

**Thursday** Our Lady of Lourdes St Gobnait, virgin St Peter's NS - Confirmation 11.00am

Sunday 1st Sunday of Lent Ss Cyril, monk & Methodius, bishop, patrons of Europe, are not celebrated this year Readings Deut 26:4-10. Ps 90:1-2, 10-15, R/ v 15. Rm 10:8-13. Lk 4:1-13.

"Nature demands that trees be deeply rooted before they can bear fruit and this is a gradual process."

St. Vincent de Paul.



# Mass Times

<u>Sunday</u> Sat vigil (6.30pm) 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am & 6.30pm

<u>Monday - Saturday</u> 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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# **Parish Office**

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# St Peter's, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

# PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP

Jesus is preaching at Lake Gennesaret (the Sea of Galilee) in today's Gospel. This is Luke's account of the calling of the First Disciples which takes place in the context of a miraculous catch of fish. Jesus is using Simon's boat as a sort of platform from which to address the crowds who had gathered around him. Already Jesus is gaining popularity and the crowds are 'pressing' near to him. Clearly they see something in Jesus that is attractive and fulfilling.

Simon is most likely being polite when he agrees to try again for a catch, possibly thinking that Jesus should leave the fishing to the professionals. Simon obeys, takes the risk, lets go of his pride, and the result is an overwhelming catch of fish. It can be hard to trust others at times; it can be difficult to let go of what is familiar to us. We are constantly being challenged to do this. The big challenge is to trust that God knows what God is doing and is constantly urging us to pull away from the shore.

'A boat is safe in the harbour; but this is not the purpose of a boat.' **Paulo Coelho** 

Jane Mellett (taken from 'Intercom') Healing Mass & Anointing Sick 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. <u>Please Note</u> There is a Rugby Game in the Aviva Stadium at 3.00pm. This will lead to increased traffic on all approaches, so allow extra travel time.

## 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.

# A Word on the Word

Now held on Monday's from 7.30pm -8.30pm in St Peter's Club (entrance at car park on Cabra Road), the sessions will focus on Old and New Testament texts to do with mercy.

### Ash Wednesday

Along with our usual 10.30am Mass two extra Masses will be available on Ash Wednesday at 7.30am & 6.30pm. Ashes will be distributed after each Mass.

### Confirmation

We wish the pupils of St Peter's National School every blessing as they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit with Archbishop Diarmuid Martin on Thursday, 11 February at 11.00am. This will replace the usual 10.30am Mass. All are welcome.

The African Run Ireland Grab your runners on 27 February and sign up to take part in the first ever African Run Ireland. Taking place in the beautiful surroundings of St Anne's Park the course will follow a 5km track through the wooded grounds along the football pitches and through the rose garden. After you will be able to see a display of our projects in Africa and learn about the work we do. All proceeds go to support the VLM Ireland. We're only a small organisation working with the poorest people in Ethiopia, Ghana and other African communities since 2002. For this we have great volunteers, however, we need your help to keep this great work going.

Online Fee: 5km – €15, 10km – €20 Please be reminded that places will be limited and an extra €5 charge will be added for on-the-day registration. Registration opens at 11.00am. The Run will begin at 12 noon.

- The course will be a 5km track around St Anne's. This course will be done twice for the 10km runners.
- When you arrive our event will be signposted from all entrances.
- Parking is available at a number of sites in and around the park.
- Please make sure to have your confirmation email with you.

We highly recommend using the public transport networks. You can take the DART to Raheny or Harmonstown. Buses: 29A, 31A/B, 32A/B, 130 & 104. For more information get in touch with Mary Anne in our office or e-mail: fundraising@vlm.ie.

## Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 16 February in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'The Year of Mercy'. All are welcome.

Volunteer with VLM this Summer only €1990

Have you always wanted to visit Africa? Do you wish to share your skills with others? Are you concerned about social justice? Do you love travelling and learning about new cultures? We are now recruiting volunteers for our 2016 Summer Programme in Ethiopia. We are looking for primary and secondary school teachers, music, art or drama teachers, youth workers, coaches or student teachers. You can apply now by contacting Mary Anne at: info@vlm.ie.

#### Phibsboro' Aid Sheltered Housing

Phibsboro' Aid, founded in 1972 provides sheltered accommodation for the Senior Citizens of Phibsborough and its environs. It is a wholly voluntary organisation. After 44 years, time has taken its toll on the early members of the committee and now needs active personnel to ensure its continuance into the future. We appeal for volunteers to join the committee and participate in the administration of the houses and the welfare of the residents. Anyone interested can contact the committee via the parish office. Tel: 838 9708 or email: info@stpetersphibsboro.ie. You will be sure of a warm welcome. Lay Retreat Association A silent one-day Lenten retreat will be held on Sunday, 14 February at Milltown Park from 10.00am. Spiritual direction by Jesuit Fathers. Talks, Guided prayer, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass and Blessing of the Sick. Meals provided. Suggested offering €30. For more details contact them at 557 7113.

Living with a Pilgrim Heart For those who have walked the Camino de Santiago. Saturday, 20 February from 11.00am in the Pastoral Centre, Cedar Road, Balally (near Beacon Hospital). Tel: 087 268 8561, 087 918 7001 or email: <u>caminocompanions@gmail.com</u>. Suggested donation €10.

## Emmanuel 2016

Book now for the Emmanuel Concerts – 29 February /1, 2 and 3 March at the Helix (tel 7007000 or <u>www.thehelix.ie</u>) – 62 schools – and 2400 students over four nights singing liturgical music. Support your local school - see our website for details: <u>www.litmus.dublindiocese.ie</u>.

### Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:	
Church (31 Jan)	= €1,133.08
Share (31 Jan)	= € 498.23
Thank you very much f	or your support.

Church Gate Collections This week's (6/7 Feb) is in aid of essential Church repairs. Next week's will be in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul.