Parish Liturgical Events

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently. 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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time St Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

Monday

The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle **Anniversary of the Founding of the Congregation of the Mission** Evening Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Tuesday

Ss Timothy & Titus, bishops Patrician Meeting - St Peter's Club 7.30pm

Wednesday St Angela Merici, virgin & religious

Thursday St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

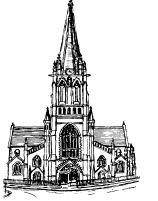
Saturday St Aidan, bishop Bl. Margaret Ball & Francis Taylor, martyrs

Sunday

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time *St John Bosco, priest is not celebrated this year* **Readings** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19. Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17, R/ v 15. 1 Cor 12:31-13:13. Lk 4:21-30.

"May the radiance of your charity be a beaming light."

St Vincent de Paul



Mass Times

<u>Sunday</u> 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

ARE YOU FULFILLING SCRIPTURE?

The prologue to the Gospel of Luke is almost like the opening credits of a major blockbuster movie, there's something exciting about it. We don't really know who Theophilus was, possibly a patron of Luke's, but his name also means 'Lover of God' and in that sense this Gospel is addressed to all 'lovers of God'.

In the synagogue, Jesus is handed the scroll from Isaiah. It is one of the most powerful passages in the New Testament as Jesus sets out his mission, his manifesto. The uncomfortable truths contained within the passage cause the crowd to reject him. We know that in our world today good news has still to reach the afflicted, captives still await liberation, the oppressed are not free. So this is not a passage read in the past, it is very much alive, very much a vision for all to have and to work towards. Just as the scriptures are fulfilled in Jesus, they are also fulfilled in each of our lives. There are many causes we can be involved in, refugees, climate justice, homelessness, neighbourliness, community involvement. Wherever we are, in our own small ways, we can strive to make this dream a reality.

'Lord of the universe, look in love upon your people. Pour the healing oil of your compassion on a world that is wounded and dying. Send us out in search of the lost, to comfort the afflicted, to bind up the broken, and to free those trapped under the rubble of their fallen dream.' Sheila Cassidy

> 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.

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.

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.

A Concert for the Epiphany Congratulations to musical director Paul Deegan for a wonderful concert held here on 9 January. All those who attended thoroughly enjoyed it. The amount raised came to \notin 590 which will go towards our Church Organ Restoration Fund. Catholic Schools Week 2016 Catholic Schools Week runs from Sunday. 31 January to Saturday, 6 February. The theme for 2016 is 'Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy'. A Mass will also be broadcast by RTÉ on Sunday, 31 January to celebrate both Catholic Schools Week and the new Grow in Love religious education programme for primary schools. Students from Mount Mercy College, Cork, as well as pupils from Saint Pius X primary school in Templeogue, Dublin, will participate in this special liturgy. For resources go to: www.catholicbishops.ie/2016/01/05/ resources-for-catholic-schools-week-2016/

VLM Fundraising Events

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: <u>fundraising@vlm.ie</u>.

Thank You

I wish to acknowledge receipt of a donation of €712.47 on behalf of St Peter's Parish, towards our Witness to Hope programme. I deeply appreciate your generosity and support.

The revitalised Shrine including the refurbishment of the Basilica and our ambitious faith renewal programmes will be of enormous benefit, please God, to the Church in Ireland. Please keep us in your prayers.

With renewed thanks, best wishes and God's blessings.

Fr Richard Gibbons PP Rector of Knock Shrine

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 Road, Co. Dublin. Speakers include Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Bishop Donal Murray and Professor J. Bernard Walsh, who will reflect on the Lourdes experience. For further information about this conference please contact Trish Conway on 087 622 0349.

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 this special celebration.

Flowers in Lent

During Lent it is forbidden for the Church to be decorated with flowers either on the Sanctuary or at the Shrines. Exceptions, however, are Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), Solemnities and Feasts including St Patrick's Day etc. We ask you please do not leave flowers in the Church during the Lenten Season. We would still be pleased to receive donations towards the cost of flowers for Easter.

2016 Calendars

Church Art Calendars for 2016 are still available from the Parish Office and the Repository priced $\in 2$ 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 (17 Jan)	=	€1	,218.94
Share (17 Jan)	=	€	481.77
Repairs (17 Jan)	=	€	820.09
Thank you very much for	yo	urs	support.

Church Gate Collections

This week's is in aid of the Ladies of Charity. Founded by St Vincent de Paul 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. Next week's collection will be in aid of essential Church repairs.