

# Parish Liturgical Events

## In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Mary Josephine Claffey (Norfolk 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

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Day of Prayer for Vocations

## Monday

St Laserian, bishop  
Evening Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm  
followed by A.M.M. Meeting  
A Word on the Word 7.30pm

## Thursday

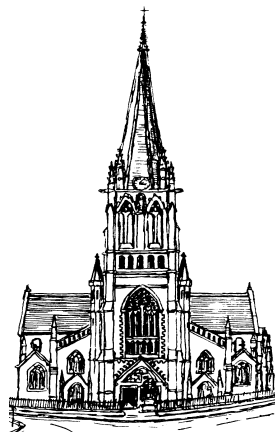
St Anselm, bishop & doctor of the Church  
Prayer for Vocations after Mass

## Saturday

St George, martyr & St Adalbert of Prague, bishop & martyr

## Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest & martyr is not celebrated this year  
Readings  
Acts 14:21-27.  
Ps 144:8-13, R/ cf. v 1.  
Apoc 21:1-5.  
Jn 13:31-35.



## 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

## 'I know them and they Follow Me'

During this Easter season we are celebrating the presence of the Risen Jesus in our lives and in our world. Jesus tells us that he knows his flock and because of this 'knowing', they follow him.

As Christians, we are called towards 'knowing' God more intimately and more deeply. Each of us, on our own journeys and paths, vocations and ministries, are part of this 'flock' because of the deep desire to 'know' God more deeply. It is a very special thing. No matter what our role is in our community, parish, church and so on, it is important to remember what it is that brings us together – the desire to know God, to know God's love and to share that love and 'knowledge' with others, especially those who are lost and at the margins.

Very often, those most 'lost' in our communities do not experience the presence of the Christian community as they should, they can be cast aside and excluded. Jesus tells us here, no one can snatch them out of His hand. This week can you try to recognise that deep desire within you to know God more fully? What does that mean for you? What does that mean for those you meet in your day to day life?

*'If you have come to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound with mine, then let us go together'.*

**Aboriginal Woman, anonymous**

**Jane Mellett**  
(taken from 'Intercom')

*"Let us pray....  
to become the voice of the voiceless"*

**St Vincent de Paul**

## Miraculous Medal Novena

*“O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.”*

The Miraculous Medal Novena continues each Monday evening at 7.00pm (except Bank Holidays). All welcome.

## AMM Meeting

The Association of the Miraculous Medal will hold their next monthly meeting on Monday, 18 April in the Church directly after the Novena. Fr Eamon Devlin will give a talk. All are most welcome.

## A Word on the Word

Held on Monday's from 7.30pm in St Peter's Club (entrance at car park on Cabra Road), the sessions will focus on the readings for the following Sunday.

## 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](http://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.

It has been brought to our attention that some parishioners are concerned that St Peter's is closing down in the near future. Allow me to reassure you that this is absolutely not the case. There is much discussion about change and adaptation for the Catholic Church in Dublin generally but this has been in train for some years now and its broad outline is well known concerning the falling number of priests and numbers attending Mass.

However, St Peter's, Phibsborough is the principal public ministry of the Vincentian Community in Ireland and will remain so.

Admittedly, the closure of the forecourt of the church on account of the work necessary to repair its damaged surface is not a good 'look'. Closing the forecourt until we are able to repair it is necessary because it is unsafe in its present condition. It will reopen as soon as possible and will improve on what has served until now and will greatly enhance the front of St Peter's.

St Peter's Church as it currently stands was built between the early 1840s and the late 1920s. There are several parts to the building and they are aging and wearing in different ways. Major structural work lies ahead of us if we are to preserve and maintain this wonderful building. I appeal for your patience and, indeed, your help. The work necessary on the forecourt will run into tens of thousands of Euro. We are already examining ways of raising this money and we will return to this matter in the near future.

In the meantime, St Peter's is still open and daily Masses, baptisms, weddings and funerals etc. are still being celebrated. If you have any questions at all please do ask so that we can best allay your concerns.

**Paschal Scallan CM**

### *For Labourers in the Vineyard*

*O hope of Israel, and its deliverer in the day of trial. Look down with favour on us from heaven, take account and visit this vineyard.*

*Enliven its soil, fructify its seed and bring to maturity the work of your right hand.*

*The harvest indeed is great but the labourers are few. We therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest.*

*Multiply our numbers and increase our joy so that the walls of Jerusalem may be built up.*

*This is your house, O Lord, your own house. Let there not be found in it, a single stone, which your sacred hand has not placed.*

*Keep them in your name, those you have called and sanctify them in truth.*

**Amen.**

### Special Appeal for Ukraine

Pope Francis has launched a special appeal for humanitarian aid for Ukraine.

*“I think of the tragedy of those who are suffering the consequences of violence in Ukraine.*

*I have decided to promote humanitarian support in their favour. For this purpose, a special collection will be taken up in all Catholic Churches in Europe on Sunday, 24 April.*

*I invite the faithful to join in this initiative with a generous contribution.*

On next weekend, 50% of the ordinary Share Collection will be donated to the Pope's appeal, and I ask for your generosity.

**+ Diarmuid Martin  
Archbishop of Dublin**

**Check out St Peter's new website at:**  
[www.stpetersphibsboro.ie](http://www.stpetersphibsboro.ie).

### Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:  
Church (10 Apr) = €1,256.24  
Share (10 Apr) = € 409.50  
Repairs (3 Apr) = € 685.99  
Thank you very much for your support.

### Church Gate Collections

This weekend is for the support of Dublin Diocesan Students preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood. This will replace the Share collection. Next week's collection will be 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 Church Gate collection, every cent of which is greatly appreciated.