

Parish Liturgical Events

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Gerard Kenny and Philip Kenny (brother and nephew of Catherine Kenny, staff member at St Peter's). 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.

Sunday

The Ascension of the Lord
World Communications Day
First Holy Communion 11.30am

Monday

St Louise de Marillac, Religious, Co-foundress of the Society of the Daughters of Charity
Evening Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm
A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Tuesday

St Comgall, abbot

Thursday

St Nereus & Achilleus, martyrs
St Pancras, martyr
Prayer for Vocations after Mass

Friday

Our Lady of Fatima

Saturday

St Matthias, Apostle

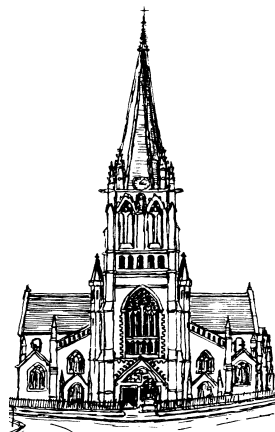
Sunday

Pentecost Sunday

St Carthage, bishop, is not celebrated this year

Readings Acts 2:1-11.
Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34, R/ cf. v 30.
Rm 8:8-17.
Jn 14:15-16, 23-26.

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1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13.
Jn 20:19-23.



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

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First Holy Communion

In the first reading at Mass this Sunday we hear about the moment when Jesus leaves his disciples for the second time. He had left once before at his crucifixion and death but the disciples experienced his return to them after his resurrection, although they learned that something had changed about him; he wasn't quite the same and yet they could recognise him with an even greater sense of who he was.

At the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, the disciples realise that their following Jesus was entering a new phase where they would experience him truly present to them and with them but not visibly or physically. It takes a while for this to sink in. They can still be astonished by Jesus. They are asked, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky?'

Today the boys and girls in our First Communion class finally arrive at their big day. Today they will receive Christ truly present to them in the Eucharist for the first time. We congratulate them and their families for preparing so thoroughly for this moment. We are so thankful that God's love and care for them is reflected in the love and care that surrounds them every day and that God's work is coming to fulfilment in them. We pray as well that our First Communion class will always have that deep sense that God is always with them, present to them in the body and blood of his risen Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. We may not 'see' him but we can recognise him in each other, in the readings from the Bible we hear at Mass, in the ministry of those who read for us or from whom we receive holy communion and of course in the 'breaking of the bread' itself.

Paschal Scallon CM

"Good works are often spoiled by moving too quickly."

St Vincent de Paul

Monday 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. All are encouraged to attend.

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.

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.

First Holy Communion

Please remember in your prayers the children from St Peter's National School who are making their First Holy Communion today (Sunday, 8 May at the 11.30am Mass). Thank you to their School Principal Mrs Joan Quinn and to their teachers for all their hard work in preparing the children for this special day. We wish them and their parents, families and teachers God's blessing for this very special celebration.

Please note there will be allocated seating for the Communicants and their families. We expect a very large attendance.

Venerable John Sullivan

Pope Francis has approved the beatification of Venerable John Sullivan (1861-1933). Many miracles have been attributed to the Jesuit priest who was baptised into the Church of Ireland and became a Roman Catholic in the second half of his life. His early education was at Trinity College. Much of his priestly life was spent in Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare. Word of his healing ways spread around Ireland and thousands visit his tomb in Gardiner Street with deep devotion, praying for his help and intercession for healing. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin and Archbishop Michael Jackson, Church of Ireland Archbishop of Dublin have joined together several times in prayer for Fr Sullivan at Gardiner St, which holds the John Sullivan Cross. Archbishop Martin has said John Sullivan's seeking for God led him towards the Catholic Church and then towards priestly ordination, but he never renounced the initial formation he had received in the tradition of the Church of Ireland. "John Sullivan's faith was the product of two traditions and always remained so and was enriched by that fact." Fr Conor Harper SJ says the news will delight many throughout the world, especially in Ireland. "What is remarkable about Fr John Sullivan has been the manner in which he is remembered and revered in the two Christian traditions that were so dear to him, the Roman Catholic and the Protestant. Our Church of Ireland friends join us in celebration."

Congratulations

It is with tremendous pride and a real sense of thrill that I would like to report on the St Peter's Choirs' performances in Madrid last weekend. Around twenty five of us were hosted by the Vincentian Community at the mother house of the Madrid Province. The choirs sang on Saturday evening and at one of the Sunday morning Masses. They excelled themselves and were most warmly applauded by the audiences. They did themselves proud and St Peter's too. So, on your behalf, I would like to say how much we all appreciate the contribution the choirs make to the life of our parish and how they reflect so well on St Peter's beyond the boundaries of our small parish. Thank you, Helen for such thorough preparation and for carrying off the whole project so well.

Paschal Scallon CM

World Youth Day Collection

As part of the Bradóg grouping, a team of four young adults will travel to World Youth Day in Poland as leaders. They have already taken part in training for this and will be of invaluable help and moral support for all young pilgrims. WYD is a Global Event, a worldwide encounter with the Pope, and is celebrated every three years. It is open to those who want to take part in a festive encounter with others centred on Jesus and enables them to share the hope of many who want to commit themselves to Christ and others. Over the past year our four young adults have been busy fundraising. They will hold a Church Gate Collection next weekend. We would be grateful for your donations and support.

Thank You

The Sunshine Fund would like to thank most sincerely the congregation of this parish for their generous contribution of €1,260.00 on Palm Sunday. We rely heavily on the funds generated through this collection and your support is greatly appreciated.

Mary Galligan
The Sunshine Fund

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (1 May)	= €1,406.06
Share (1 May)	= € 465.77
Repairs (1 May)	= € 693.23

Thank you very much for your support.

Church Gate Collections

This week's collection is in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. Next week's will be in aid of sending 4 young adults to World Youth Day in Poland.

CROSSCARE

The Annual Collection for CROSSCARE Youth Services - Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin will take place at all Masses next weekend (14 & 15 May). It will replace the normal Share Collection. CROSSCARE provide a wide range of focused supports and programmes aimed at empowering people to achieve their own potential. Their work is person centred, rights based and supports peer led initiatives that give people the power to make changes in their own lives.