

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 17 July 2016

The word of God is a light to the mind and a fire to the will.

-St. Lawrence of Brindisi

THE HOST WITH THE MOST

Which one are you? It's such a familiar story. Think of the last time you had friends or family over for a meal or a gathering. Were you more of a Mary or a Martha? Many of us fall more easily into one category than the other – the 'host with the most' who is always up to their eyes with the cooking and catering and table clearing; or the chatterer who is happy to leave the washing up until later?

At face value, I don't think Jesus is saying we shouldn't be hospitable and look after our guests, offering them food or drinks. Like many, I really feel for Martha in this story. She had welcomed Jesus into her home, was looking after him and busying herself with serving him, while her sister was too busy listening to Jesus to offer to help. It is no wonder that Martha complained. After all, someone had to do the practical work. Martha may have wanted to spend time with her guest too – but then, who would have served him?

The key is in Jesus's words. He does not criticise Martha for her efforts, but rather gently rebukes her for 'worrying and fretting about so many things'. She is so distracted and bogged down in her work that she has forgotten to spend time with Jesus. This is familiar territory for many of us. We are often distracted and busy. Do we make space to sit at the Lord's feet and listen? Can we take time each day, perhaps, for a Scripture reading?

Tríona Doherty (taken from 'Intercom')

Mass Times

Sunday

Saturday vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am, 2.15pm (African Mass, 1st Sunday of each month), 4.00pm (Indian Mass, 2nd Sunday of each month) & 6.30pm

Monday - Friday 10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

Holy Days 10.30am & 6.30pm

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



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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." Lk 10:41-42

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Monday Novena

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"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.

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 19 July in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is *'Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist'*. All are welcome.

Join us as we Pray for Vocations

On Thursday's after Mass the Vincentian Community here in St Peter's invite you to join with them in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the Vincentian Community in Ireland.

Please Note

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, 21 July. It will re-open on Friday as usual. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

In Loving Memory

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

Cemetery Sunday Sun 24 July

Sun 21 july		
12.30pm	Ballymadun	Prayers
3.00pm	Glen na Smole	Mass
4.00pm	Balbriggan	Mass
4.00pm	Palmerstown	Prayers
7.00pm	Clonmethan	Prayers

Bereavement Counselling

One-to-one sessions take place on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in St Peter's. For appointments and information contact the Bereavement Counselling Service, Baldoyle, Dublin 13. Tel: 839 1766, Monday - Friday from 9.00am - 1.00pm. For further information please email: <u>bereavement@eircom.net</u>.

Icon Writing Week

Join Beechwood Parish for an *Icon Writing Week* led by Luis Alvarez from Monday 8 - Saturday 13 August from 9.15am to 5.00pm in the Church of the Holy Name Community Centre, Beechwood, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 (Luas green line Beechwood). For more information contact Sr Peter 083 347 1036 / Catherine 087 207 7147 or email: <u>paulapeter70@gmail.com</u> or <u>cathcw@gmail.com</u>. Registration details are also on their parish website at: <u>www.beechwoodparish.com</u>.

Queen of Apostles

The Legion of Mary hold meetings every Wednesday from 10.45am - 12.00pm at Presentata House, 263 North Circular Road. All are very welcome.

Legion of Mary

Meetings take place on Monday's and Wednesday's from 7.00pm in the **Frank Duff Room**

(entrance via the Parish Office)

Monday - Our Lady of All Nations

Wednesday - Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament





Coach leaves St Peter's at 7.45am sharp and

returns to St Peter's at approx. 10.00pm

Lough Derg

Three-Day Pilgrimages on any day up to and including Saturday,13 August are now available. Advance booking is not necessary. There are various travel options available countrywide. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Phone Maureen or Lorraine on 071 986 1518, email: info@loughderg.org or go to: www.loughderg.org.

Catholic Young Adults Conference

Mary Inflames the Embers – Are you Ready?

Join the Legion of Mary Project for the Annual Catholic Young Adults Conference (ages 18 - 40 years) in All Hallows College, Gracepark Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9 from Saturday 20 – Sunday 21 August. Cost - 2 days residential €70 & nonresidential €40. For more details tel: Liam 086 888 8918 or Declan 085 803 2848. You will also find information at: www.facebook.com/deus.patria.

Sunday 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Tuesdav Patrician Meeting 7.30pm

Wednesdav St Apollinaris, bishop & martyr Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest & doctor of the Church Praver for Vocations after Mass

Fridav St Mary Magdalene

Saturday St Bridget of Sweden, religious, Patron of Europe

Sunday 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time St Sharbel Makhlūf, priest & St Declan, bishop, are not celebrated this year Readings Gn 18:20-32. Ps 137:1-3,6-8, R/ v 3. Col 2:12-14. Lk 11:1-13.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (10 July)	= €1,159.55
Share (10 July)	= € 348.82
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Thank you very much for your continued support.

Church Gate Collections

Next week's collection will be in aid of the Ladies of Charity. Founded in 1617 by St Vincent de Paul the Ladies of Charity 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.

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