

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11 September 2016

Like Jesus we belong to the world living not for ourselves but for others.

-St. Teresa of Kolkata

'The Lost Parables'

The three parables of things lost and found emphasise the unending forgiveness of God and God's rejoicing for those who return. In each of the situations there is a frantic search for that which is lost and a huge celebration when the lost is found.

In the third parable of the Prodigal Son there is much to reflect on. We hear that the younger brother eventually 'came to his senses'. We might pray today that God shows us the aspects of our lives in which we also need to 'come to our senses'.

As with all parables, we are left thinking and wondering, disturbed even. A sheep and a coin we can rejoice over, but when it is a person who has done us harm, hurt us in some way, it is a much deeper and more painful process. The elder brother in the third parable feels hard done by, is deeply hurt, full of anger and resentment. Luke, being the excellent storyteller that he is, does not tell us the outcome of the story; it is for us to finish for ourselves. The elder brother has two options: he can walk away full of resentment or he can try to let go of the anger he feels towards his brother. The latter is a more difficult path but it is the only one that leads to life, no matter how painful the journey may be. The father stands there pleading for the elder brother to come in.

'Forgiveness isn't about releasing someone from accountability for his actions. It is about us letting go of our anger and resentment.'

Jane Mellett (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 of Obligation

10.30am & 6.30pm

Confessions

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



Parish Clergy

Fr Aidan Galvin CM, Co-PP Fr Ioan Rus CM, Curate

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Welcome

Welcome to Fr Aidan Galvin CM, our new Parish Priest, who comes to us from St Paul's in Raheny where he has been involved in Vincentian Parish Missions. Also, Fr Ioan Rus CM, who has been based in St Peter's for the last two years, now takes up the position of curate. We wish them well and pray God's blessings on their ministries.

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 - 8.30pm in St Peter's Club (entrance at car park on Cabra Rd), the sessions will focus on the readings for the following Sunday. It resumes 12 September.

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.

Legion of Mary

Meetings take place on Monday's and Wednesday's from 7.00pm in the

Frank Duff Room

(entrance via Parish Office)

Monday - Our Lady of All Nations
Wednesday - Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

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.**



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: bereave-ment@eircom.net.

Catherine Lawlor School of Art

14th Annual Art Exhibition takes place in Malahide Tennis Club on Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 September from 11.00am – 6.00pm. Proceeds in aid of the Oncology Department, Beaumont Hospital. All are welcome. For more information go to: www.dublinartclasses.com.

Open Evening

St Declan's College, Nephin Road, Dublin 7 are holding an Open Evening on Thursday, 15 September from 6.45pm – 9.00pm. Parents and pupils of both fifth and sixth class are invited to attend. Guided tours will begin at 6.45pm. An opportunity to see how we at St Declan's College meet the educational needs of our students.

The Encounter Dublin City

Are you looking for more in life? Join other young adults (20's & 30's) for a night of live acoustic music, reflective prayer in adoration, with guest speaker Dan Ram (entrepreneur, globe-trotter, lecturer, presenter, mentor & musician) on life, faith & purpose. Followed by social, pizza & refreshments. Free event. Friday, 16 September at 8.00pm. St Paul's Church, Arran Quay (Smithfield). www.facebook.com/theencounterdublincity or st.pauls@dublindiocese.ie.

Living With Suicide

This day offers those who have been affected by suicide in any way an opportunity for deeper understanding and support to 'make sense of it all'. Guest Speakers: Conor Mc Cafferty, ZEST - Healing the Hurt and Geraldine Kennedy, a personal experience. This retreat takes place on Wednesday, 21 September. Advance booking essential for all retreats. For further information contact Maureen or Lorraine on 071 986 1518 or email: info@loughderg.org / www.loughderg.org.

Signed Mass Cards Online

It is now possible to obtain a Signed Mass Card from St Peter's, online. 100% of all offerings received go directly to us here at St Peter's Church. All cards are signed by one of our priests. You can select from a range of Irish made cards which we will organise and send to you or the recipient of your choice. All you have to do is go to our **NEW WEBSITE** at: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie and click on the relevant image on our Home Page.



St Peter's Golf Classic Friday, 23rd September 2016



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All funds raised will help to resurface the forecourt at the main entrance to the Church. We are planning to lay down a new and more attractive surface than the concrete paving that has served us so well for many years.

Thank you for your support

For more information contact Marion on (01) 810 2575 or email: marion.mccormack@stpetersphibsboro.ie

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Crosscare

The Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin's annual collection for their Community and Homeless Services will be at all Masses next weekend, 17/18 September. It will replace the usual Share Collection.



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Sunday

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time St John Gabriel Perboyre, Vincentian priest & martyr, is not celebrated this year

Monday

The Most Holy Name of Mary
St Ailbe, bishop
Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm
Legion of Mary 7.00pm
A Word on the Word resumes 12 Sept

Tuesday

St John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor of the Church

Wednesday

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

Our Lady of Sorrows

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

Ss Cornelius, pope, & Cyprian, bishop, martyrs

Saturday

St Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor of the Church

Sunday

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings Am 8:4-7. Ps 112:1-2, 4-8, R/ cf. vv 1, 7. I Tm 2:1-8. Lk 16:1-13.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (4 Sept) = €1,386.64 Share (4 Sept) = € 364.67 Repairs (4 Sept) = € 617.51

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